

**ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION  
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2013  
ORANGE-ULSTER BOCES, CARL P. ONKEN CONFERENCE CENTER, ROOM B/C**

All members were present except: Mr. Adam Kless, Burke Catholic High School  
Mr. Chris Trieste, Chester Academy  
Mr. Carlton Williams, Family Foundation School  
Mr. Kirk Wareham, The Mount Academy

Mr. Christopher Mayo and Mrs. Heather Walsh reported for Mr. James Osborne, OCIAA Athletic Coordinator, who was absent to be at a NYSPHSAA Meeting.

Associate Members Present: Mr. Chris Radon, Greenwood Lake  
Guest Present: Mr. Brendan Gebert, Administrative Intern, Cornwall Athletics

The OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop was called to order at 9:42 a.m. by Mr. Christopher Mayo, Assistant Interscholastic Athletic Coordinator.

1. Approval of Minutes of last meeting  
Motion to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2012 Athletic Directors Workshop was made by Mr. Tim Bult (Fallsburg) second by Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo). All were in favor. Motion carried.
2. OCIAA President's Report – Mr. Doug Murphy

Section IX Athletics

Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President, reported on items to be discussed by the OCIAA and brought to the Section IX Athletic Council Meeting on March 5, 2013.

1. Baseball/Softball Substitution

Mr. Murphy explained this proposal is from Section III. A motion to discuss the Baseball/Softball Substitution Proposal was made by Ms. Jolene Porter (Eldred) second by Mr. Jack Mager (Newburgh). All were in favor. Motion carried. The official line-up card will list all players on the team in a designated batting order and all players will bat. The current rules are only a limited re-entry. Mr. Doug Murphy stated the rationale is for the coaches to maximize the use of players on their team. A motion to approve was put on hold to take place during the new business portion of the meeting.

Mr. Murphy discussed the eleven Rockland County schools that are interested in joining the OCIAA and Section IX Athletics. There have been preliminary meetings held with Mr. Liam Frawley, Athletic Director from Tappan Zee High School, along with other Athletic Directors from Rockland County and the OCIAA to address this possibility.

Mr. Mayo stated that he and Mrs. Heather Walsh, Assistant Interscholastic Athletic Coordinator, Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President and Mr. James Osborne, OCIAA Athletic Coordinator, will give a PowerPoint presentation to the Rockland County schools on January 30, 2013 at Clarkstown South High School.

3. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator's Report – Mr. James Osborne  
Report given by Mr. Christopher Mayo, Assistant Interscholastic Athletic Coordinator.
  - A. Mr. Mayo reviewed the NYSPHSAA News for January 2013 (Refer to copy in folder.)  
The NYSPHSAA East Regional Cheerleading Invitational was held on January 26, 2013 at Arlington High School (Section I). 50 schools attended and some OCIAA schools participated. The NYSPHSAA West Regional Cheerleading Invitational will be held on March 9, 2013 at Rochester Institute of Technology (Section 5).
  - B. OCIAA Scholar Athletes for 2012-2013  
Mr. Mayo discussed the OCIAA Senior Scholar Athlete Breakfast will possibly be held the last week in April. As soon as a date and site are confirmed Athletic Directors will be informed. In the folder is the Senior Scholar Athlete selection guidelines and biographical sketch submission form. Please submit a form and photograph for both male and female senior scholar athletes from your school prior to spring recess or by March 22, 2013.  
  
The Keynote Speaker for the OCIAA Senior Scholar Athlete Breakfast will be Mr. Matthew Moretto, Scholar Athlete and 2007 graduate of Cornwall High School. The Washingtonville High School Color Guard and Middletown High School National Anthem singer will participate in the award ceremony.
  - C. 2013 Late Winter/Spring Coaching Courses  
The Coaching Courses were reviewed. The First Aid Update that was cancelled on January 28<sup>th</sup> due to inclement weather will be rescheduled to January 30<sup>th</sup> at Washingtonville High School at 6:00 p.m. If there are any coaching courses that need to be given please notify the Athletic Coordinator's Office.
  - D. Mergers for 2013-2014  
Mergers for the 2013-2014 school year should be sent in as soon as possible. James I. O'Neill High School has requested to merge with Garrison (Section I) for Boys Modified Lacrosse in spring 2013. Motion to approve made by Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo) second by Mr. Tim Bult (Fallsburg). All were in favor. Motion carried.

E. 2013-2014 Proposed Athletic Start Dates

**FALL**

Monday, August 19, 2013 All Sports – Varsity, JV and Freshmen levels

**WINTER**

Friday, November 1, 2013 Ice Hockey

Monday, November 11, 2013 All Sports –Varsity, JV, Freshmen levels

**SPRING**

Monday, March 10, 2014 All Sports – Varsity, JV Freshmen levels

Modified sports begin the first day of school for fall sports and one week later after the start of winter and spring sports.

Motion to approve the 2013-2014 athletic start dates was made by Mr. Tim Bult (Fallsburg) second by Mr. Michael Kroemer (Cornwall). All were in favor. Motion carried.

F. 2013-2014 Proposed Athletic Calendar

Refer to copy in the folder. It was discussed by Mr. David Coates, Section IX Football Co-Chairperson (Middletown) that there may be a change for the Football Rules Interpretations Meeting to be held June 2013. No other changes were discussed. Motion to approve the 2013-2014 OCIAA Calendar was made by Mr. Jack Mager (Newburgh) second by Mr. Glen Maisch (Kingston). All were in favor. Motion carried.

G. Orange-Ulster BOCES 2013-2014 Student Calendar

Mr. Chris Mayo stated due to date changes for the Regents Exams the Orange-Ulster BOCES Student Calendar will need to be adjusted and is not approved at this time.

H. 2013-2014 Alignments

Motion made by Mr. Glen Maisch (Kingston) second by Mr. Tim Bult (Fallsburg) to approve the 2013-2014 Alignments based on the approval of the BEDS classification numbers. All were in favor. Motion carried.

I. Fall Scheduling for 2013

Mr. Chris Mayo discussed he has the preliminary fall schedules done and they will be available to view online very soon.

J. Section IX Football 2013

It was discussed Section I is proposing to have the football classifications changed to reflect 20% for each classification. Some changes may occur if the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee determines the classifications at their meeting that is to take place today. The schedules will be worked on and presented to the Football Committee sometime in February.

K. Fiscal Concerns for 2013-2014

Mr. Chris Mayo explained that Athletics has sustained its programs despite the statewide education cuts. Mr. Mayo stated the OCIAA has built in cost savings in scheduling and combining transportation of teams. In order to maintain programs Athletic Directors need to continue to look for ways to cut expenses and stay ahead of budgeting issues.

L. OCIAA Cheerleading

The OCIAA Cheerleading Competition will be held on Saturday, February 16, 2013 at Kingston High School. The snow date is Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. A registration form has been previously sent to the Athletic Directors and also there is information in the folder. The admission charge is \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students. Registrations forms must be received by February 8, 2013.

M. Athletic Coordinator Office Budget for 2013-2014

Mr. Chris Mayo explained the OCIAA Dues and Section IX Dues for 2013-2014 will increase 1.5%. The OCIAA Dues will be \$516. per team and the Section IX Dues will be \$322. per varsity team in 2013-2014. The OCIAA Athletic Coordinator's Office Budget for 2013-2014 will be presented at the next OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop on February 26, 2013.

4. Old Business

None was reported.

5. New Business

Athletic Directors discussed the Rockland County schools to possibly join the OCIAA and Section IX in 2014-2015. Mr. Chris Mayo reported that he and Mrs. Heather Walsh, Mr. Doug Murphy and Mr. James Osborne will give a PowerPoint presentation to the Athletic Directors and school administrators from the Rockland County on January 30<sup>th</sup>. If the meeting goes well it may lead to more meetings before a decision is reached.

Mr. Ron Montalto (Monroe-Woodbury) asked if any of the Athletic Directors have had any discussions with the AA schools in Rockland County concerning preliminary talks. Mr. George St. Lawrence (Minisink) stated Minisink would welcome the Rockland County schools. Mr. Thomas Heinzelman (Goshen) discussed competition would be good for varsity and JV but prefers geographic competition for modified sports.

Baseball/Softball Substitution

The proposal was discussed further. A motion was made by Mr. Michael Kroemer (Cornwall) second by Mr. John Wilhelm (Liberty) to approve Baseball/Softball Substitution. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Michael Kroemer (Cornwall) reported on the NYSAAA Conference. An Event Safety Training Course will be offered at the Conference on Wednesday, March 13, 2013.

A registration form is included in the folder if anyone present at the Conference would like to attend. Mr. Kroemer stated a Leadership Breakfast will be held on March 15<sup>th</sup> at the Conference. If anyone would like to attend with Mr. Kroemer please let him know. Seating is limited to first come, first served basis.

Mr. Chris Mayo discussed Civil Rights for Disabled Students and Athletes. Information was emailed to Athletic Directors and the Athletic Council. A copy of the report was also distributed. This report is a result of the conference call with Mr. Robert Zayas, Executive Director of NYSPHSAA and Mr. Seth Galanter, Deputy Secretary of Education. The goal of the guidelines is to expand opportunity and inclusion in sports for children with disabilities. Mr. Mayo discussed the use of the OCIAA office to help coordinate with this issue. Mr. Michael Bellarosa (Valley Central) and Mr. Thomas Heinzelman (Goshen) stated there are instances where disabled students have been included in athletic programs.

Mr. Chris Mayo discussed ImPact and asked what schools include ImPact for their Concussion Management Policy and to please forward what the cost of this program is to your district to the Athletic Coordinator's Office. Mr. Osborne, OCIAA Athletic Coordinator, will serve on a committee to create a county-wide Concussion Management Plan.

Mr. Greg Sirico, OCIAA Alpine Skiing Chairperson (Warwick) discussed Alpine Skiing rescheduling and explained Athletic Directors must check the schedule online for all changes that have been made.

6. The next Athletic Directors Workshop is Tuesday, February 26, 2013 at Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center, Room B & C at 9:30 a.m.

The next Section IX Meeting is Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center Room B & C at 9:30 a.m.

7. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Jack Mager (Newburgh) second by Mr. Glen Maisch (Kingston). All were in favor. The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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