

**ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2012
ORANGE-ULSTER BOCES, CARL P. ONKEN CONFERENCE CENTER**

All members were present except: Mr. Adam Kless, Burke Catholic
Mr. Carlton Williams, Family School
Mr. Glen Maisch, Kingston

Associate Members Present: Mr. Chris Radon, Greenwood Lake

The OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop was called to order at 9:43 a.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of last meeting
Motion to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2012 Athletic Directors Workshop was made by Mr. Tim Bult (Fallsburg) second by Mrs. Debbie Crowe (O'Neill). All were in favor. Motion carried.
2. OCIAA President's Report – Mr. Doug Murphy

Section IX Athletics

Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President, reported on the application of Harmony Christian School for Section IX friend & neighbor status. Mr. Murphy and Mr. James Osborne met with representatives from Harmony Christian School, Mrs. Rose Morrone, Assistant Athletic Director and Mr. Gary Falk, Athletic Director. They are looking to play in scrimmages and tournaments. Mr. Murphy stated their coaches should be certified and take the coaching courses offered. Discussion was made on past experience with playing them when they were once an associate member. Mr. Osborne stated a letter will be sent to Harmony Christian School to explain what is expected of them to become a friend & neighbor of Section IX. A vote of approval will not take place at this time.

3. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator Report – Mr. James Osborne

Items of Concern:

- A. Mr. Osborne reviewed and discussed the Combining of Teams Ad Hoc Committee report from Mr. Robert Zayas, Executive Director on NYSPHSAA. Refer to copy in folder. The report states the percentage of the BEDS enrollment used to combine the sport classification for the merged teams. Mr. Osborne asked Athletic Directors to review the information.

The Cheerleading Committee report was reviewed and will be discussed at the Section IX Meeting for future evaluation as the sport evolves. The NYSPHSAA November 2012 Office Report was reviewed and is included in the folder.

B. 2012 Fall Champions List

Mr. Osborne stated the OCIAA fall teams did very well in participation in fall championships. Congratulations to the Washingtonville Girls Soccer team for winning the State Championship.

Mr. Osborne stated the NYSPHSAA Boys Soccer Championship was hosted by Middletown High School.

Mr. David Coates, Section IX Football Co-Chairperson (Middletown) reported on the Football Exceptional Senior Contest. He explained the teams were divided evenly and it was a very good experience for the players. There was good attendance and excellent comments were made.

Mr. George St. Lawrence (Minisink) congratulated Mr. Coates for his commitment and excellent work in the Boys Soccer NYSPHSAA Championship and the Football Exceptional Senior Contest.

C. BEDS Report 2013-2014

The enrollment numbers for grades 9-10-11 and ungraded students are due from schools that have not submitted.

D. NYSPHSAA Scholar Athlete Team Award

The deadline to submit is Friday, December 7, 2012.

E. Review of Winter Rules Interpretations Meetings

- Wrestling Rules Interpretations Meeting took place on November 13, 2012 at Goshen Middle School Auditorium at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Osborne stated the Section IX Wrestling Handbook is on-line. He discussed the conflicts of scheduling modified wrestling and stated tri-angular meets work the best. It was announced that Monticello, Liberty, Goshen, Eldred, Fallsburg, Tuxedo, Tri-Valley and Chester are not having JV Wrestling. Mr. Michael Kroemer, OCIAA Wrestling Chairperson (Cornwall) discussed Wrestling Weight Certification. A schedule of certification sites will be out this week. Division II Wrestling schools may need to move their last meet due to the date of the Division II Wrestling Seed Meeting. Mr. Doug Murphy stated Monticello is planning to hold a Wrestling Tournament on January 5, 2013. If interested in participating please contact Mr. Murphy.
- The Winter Rules Interpretations Meeting (Varsity, JV, Modified) was held on November 19, 2012 at Goshen High School at 7:30 p.m. The winter sports chairpersons reported.

Boys Swim – Mr. George St. Lawrence (Minisink) stated Mr. Lou Dawes, Swim Official, did an excellent job as rules interpreter. Mr. Scott Warner, Section IX Boys Swim Chairperson, discussed that 13 swim meets and the OCIAA Championship Meet limits the maximum allowed to two outside meets. Coaches would like more flexibility to swim outside. The two division format was discussed for the future.

Cheerleading – Mr. John Wilhelm (Liberty) reported. The meeting was well attended by coaches. Mr. Osborne stated cheerleading coaches should prepare now with completing the required courses and follow through with the application process to compete in either the East or West NYSPHSAA Cheerleading Invitational. The date of the OCIAA Cheerleading Competition is Saturday, February 16, 2013 at Kingston High School. Snow date is February, 17, 2013. Information and registration form has been sent to OCIAA schools and associate members.

Girls Basketball – Mr. Ron Montalto (Monroe-Woodbury) reported discussion to consider in the future to put non-league and cross-over games in the beginning of the schedule.

Boys Basketball – Mr. Rob Gravelle (Seward) stated the roster form is now on-line. He stated to ask coaches to be diligent about submitting their information. Mr. Christopher Mayo, Assistant Interscholastic Athletic Coordinator, explained the roster form can be saved in Excel and edited for additions and deletions then emailed to him to be replaced on the website.

Alpine Skiing – Mr. Greg Sirico (Warwick) reported the Alpine Ski schedule is now completed. Mr. Doug Murphy (Monticello) discussed the gate purchases required at Holiday Mountain. Information will be emailed to the Alpine Ski schools.

Indoor Track - Mr. Jack Mager, Chairperson (Newburgh) reported. A recording official will be needed to replace the automatic timing method. Meets need to stay within the 4 hour time period allowed by West Point. Suggestions were made to make the meets run more smoothly and efficiently. Mr. Mager discussed with coaches at the Rules Interpretations Meeting, the elimination of the OCIAA Championship was a fiscal decision. Coaches would like to add this meet back and make some cost reductions with awards and taking 2 developmental dates out.

A motion was made by Mr. Jack Mager (Newburgh) second by Mr. Derek Adams (Tri-Valley) to reinstate the OCIAA Championship Meet to replace the Developmental Meet on January 18 & 19, 2013. A roll call vote was made. The results were 24 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain 3 Absent. The motion carried.

F. 2013-2014 Sports Teams

The form is needed as soon as possible. Alignments and schedules will begin over winter recess.

G. Winter Coaching Courses

Added coaching courses are to be announced. Theory and Techniques of Coaching has been requested by Sullivan County schools.

H. 2012-2013 Winter Schedules for Alpine Ski, Ice Hockey and Indoor Track
Motion to approve the schedules was made by Mr. Tim Bult (Fallsburg) second by Mr. Jack Mager (Newburgh). All were in favor. Motion carried.

Additional Items in the Folder:

- 2012-2013 NYS Girls Basketball Rules
- Coaching Certificates
- NYSAAA Conference Registration – Book your hotel reservation as soon as possible.
- Release from Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement for Indoor Track at West Point

Ms. Jolene Porter, Awards Chairperson (Eldred) spoke about this year's Section IX awards to be given at the NYSAAA Conference, March 12-16, 2013. The Athletic Director Award will be given to Mrs. Mary Borriello at Ellenville, The Judith A. Marten Secretarial Award will be awarded to Mrs. Diane Cascarino at Valley Central.

Motion made by Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo) second by Mr. Rob Gravelle (Seward) to nominate Mr. Jim Wolfe for the Distinguished Service Award. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. John Landro second by Mr. Michael Kroemer (Cornwall) to nominate Middletown High School for the Community Service Award. All were in favor. Motion carried.

4. Old Business

None was reported.

5. New Business

Mr. Rob Gravelle announced a Softball Tournament will be held to honor a deceased recent graduate from S.S. Seward Institute. A scholarship will be given in her name. If interested please contact Mr. Gravelle at Seward.

Mr. George St. Lawrence (Minisink) discussed he is looking for information from schools concerning classifying 7th graders to play up.

Mr. James Osborne, OCIAA Athletic Coordinator, explained the Hold Harmless Clause for West Point must be filled out for all athletes participating in Indoor Track at West Point. Please photocopy the form in your folder and have each athlete complete a form. It is important to keep a copy in the district.

Mr. Bill Spanjer stated Chapel Field Christian School will have JV Girls Basketball this season. Mr. Spanjer will send out an email to schools requesting games with them.

6. The next Athletic Directors Workshop is Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center, Room B & C at 9:30 a.m.

The next Section IX Meeting is Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at Marlboro Intermediate School at 9:30 a.m.

7. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Tim Bult (Fallsburg) second by Mr. Thomas Heinzelman (Goshen). All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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