

**ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2010 – 9:00 A.M.
ORANGE-ULSTER BOCES
CARL P. ONKEN CONFERENCE CENTER – ROOM B & C**

All members were present except: Mr. Adam Kless, John S. Burke Catholic
Mr. Bill Spanjer, Chapel Field Christian
Mr. David Coates, Middletown
Mr. Jason Semo, Liberty

Guests Present: Mr. Bob Coudrey, Athletic Trainer
Mr. Kevin Clifford, Coach and Teacher at Livingston Manor

The OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop was called to order at 9:17 a.m.

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2010 Athletic Directors Workshop was made by Mr. Tim Bult, Fallsburg, second by Mr. John Landro, Tuxedo. All were in favor. Motion carried.

OCIAA President's Report – Mr. Doug Murphy

Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President and Monticello Athletic Director introduced new Athletic Directors beginning the 2010-2011 season:

Mr. Chris Radon, Greenwood Lake
Mr. Derek Adams, Tri-Valley
Ms. Shirlee Davis, Livingston
Mr. Scott Courter, Washingtonville
Mr. Mike Larsen, Minisink Valley
Mr. Chris Trieste, Chester

A. Section IX Athletics

Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President and Mr. James Osborne, OCIAA Athletic Coordinator, reported on the Sectional meetings that were held on August 9th and August 30th, 2010 to discuss some of the Dutchess County schools may enter into Section IX. Mr. Robert Thabet, Executive Director, presided over both meetings. At the August 9th meeting, held in Ms. Greene's office in Washingtonville, those in attendance were Mr. Pete Meoli, Mr. Dennis Burkett, Mr. Ray Castellani, Ms. Robert Greene, Mr. Doug Murphy, Mr. Robert Thabet and Mr. Jim Osborne. Mr. Burkett and Mr. Osborne presented information regarding school districts entering Section IX from Section I. The following schools were discussed: Arlington, Beacon, Dover, Pawling, Poughkeepsie, Lordes, and Wappingers. The Committee decided to provide the school districts with general information regarding the MHAL and OCIAA with specific information about Section IX Athletics. The meeting held on August 30th in Marlboro was attended by the Section IX Committee, Dr. Lloyd Jaeger, Millbrook Superintendent, Mrs. Jennifer Simmons Section I Executive Director, and Athletic Directors from Arlington, Beacon, Poughkeepsie and Wappingers. Dr. Jaeger, representing the Dutchess County Superintendents handed out an agenda on the items that he believed needed to be discussed. Mrs. Simmons presented information regarding Section I Athletics. The Dutchess County Athletic Directors discussed their goals and Dr. Jaeger discussed either putting all the Dutchess County schools in Section I

or IX. The Dutchess County schools will provide athletic team information to Section IX and the Leagues.

Mr. Murphy asked the OCIAA Athletic Directors of the C and D schools if they would be interested in school districts joining Section IX. Very little interest was shown and discussion was made.

Mr. Murphy asked the OCIAA Athletic Directors of the B schools if they were interested. The B schools showed a split interest of some schools in favor and others against.

The OCIAA Athletic Directors of the A and AA schools were more interested if they are placed in the OCIAA. Mr. Lou Cioffi, Cornwall, stated it would enhance competition among the large schools. Mr. Mike Bellarosa stated Valley Central is opposed to their placement in both OCIAA and Section IX.

OCIAA Athletic Coordinator's Report – Mr. James Osborne

Mr. James M. Osborne, OCIAA Athletic Coordinator, explained to Athletic Directors if a female is playing on a male team it must be reported the Athletic Coordinator's Office. It was announced that Monroe-Woodbury may have a female modified football player; Port Jervis may have a female on the JV football team; Monticello may have a female on the modified football team.

Mr. Osborne reviewed the handouts included in the Athletic Director folder:

- * September 2010 NYSPHSAA Office Report
Highlights for Fall: Interschool scrimmages and Sportsmanship language change
- * NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting Report – August 3-5, 2010
Review of Approved Action Items from NYSPHSAA Assistant Directors and State Committees.
- * NYSPHSAA August 2010 Highlights
Mandatory NYSPHSAA Workshop for Athletic Directors on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 at Wallkill High School following the Section IX Meeting
- * NYSPHSAA Sport Coordinator Highlights
- * Fact Finding/Arbitration Procedures – State Officials Agreement
Athletic Directors need to review the report for further discussion to take place.
- * 2010-2011 NYSPHSAA Championship Dates/Sites
- * NYSPHSAA Championship - School Gate List
- * NYSPHSAA Transfer Coordinator's Meeting Report – May 17, 2010
Mr. Fred Ahart, Eligibility Chairperson and Roscoe Athletic Director, stated more information should be presented at the NYSPHSAA Athletic Director Workshop.
- * NYSPHSAA Classification of Non Public and Charter Schools Committee – May 27, 2010
Mr. Bob Siracuse, Goshen, reported on the meeting and stated the goal of this committee is to streamline the process and for Sections to have similarities. He announced Mr. Tom Cassata, Red Hook Athletic Director, will take over as Section IX Chairperson for the Committee on Classification of Non-Public and Charter Schools.
- * NYSPHSAA Approved Action Item for Wrestling
- * NYSED Physical Education Update – August 2010
- * NYSPHSAA Scrimmages Report

- New Scrimmage Rules are listed
- * NYSPHSAA Safety Committee Report
Heat Index – Wind Chill Procedures
The AccuWeather.com hourly forecast is to be used.
 - * NFHS Concussion Rule – Athletic Directors should give a copy to all of their coaches.
 - * NYSPHSAA State Committee for Modified Athletics Report – August 2010
 - * NYSPHSAA Participation Survey Instructions
This information is crucial to NYSPHSAA Sport Committees. Please log onto website www.nysphsaa.org and select the members only box, then click on Participation Survey. Deadline to submit is September 17, 2010.
 - * 2010 Fall Officials Fees
 - * 2009-2010 School Year Statistics
 - * Athletic Directors Directory for Cell and Email Information
 - * Coaching Certificates
 - * Fall Sports Rules Interpretations Meeting – Sign-in Sheets
 - * Schedule of 2010 Fall Affinity Meeting Locations
 - * Warwick Applefest Lacrosse Tournament Announcement

The following announcements were made for fall sports changes:

Livingston Manor will not have Cross Country teams.
 Fallsburg will not have JV Boys or JV Girls Soccer and no Modified Boys Cross Country.
 Fallsburg will not have JV Football.
 Pine Bush will not have Boys Modified Soccer and Modified Volleyball.
 Middletown dropped Girls Modified Soccer at Monhagen Middle School.

A motion was made by Mr. Doug Murphy, Monticello, second by Mr. Dave Franskevicz, Sullivan West, to approve schools will be allowed to use two wide receivers on opposite sides of the formation in Modified Football. All were in favor. Motion was carried.

Mr. James Osborne, OCIAA Athletic Coordinator, explained the BEDS enrollment numbers are due from the Athletic Directors starting after October 6, 2010.

Mr. Osborne reported to the Athletic Directors that there could be a dues increase of \$30. per school and .03 cents per student from NYSPHSAA for 2011-2012. Start to review your budget information.

Mr. Osborne discussed 5th year eligibility for students with disabilities and elimination of the age 19 rule for them may be finalized by New York State. More information will follow.

A motion was made by Mr. George St. Lawrence, Monroe-Woodbury, second by Mr. Rob Gravelle, Seward, to approve Modified Cross Country distance from 1 ½ miles to 2 miles starting October 1, 2010. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The OCIAA Events Risk and Emergency Plan is on the OCIAA website. A vacancy on the Committee will be filled by Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President.

The Fall Rules Interpretations Meetings were reported on by the Chairpersons. The Football (Varsity and JV) Rules Interpretations Meeting was held on August 15th at Circleville Middle School. The Rules Interpretations Meeting for all other sports (Varsity, JV and Modified) was

held on August 26, 2010. Modified Football will hold a separate rules interpretations meeting on September 7th at Monroe-Woodbury High School. Sign-in sheets are included in the folder.

Mr. Harold Fried, OCIAA Girls Tennis Chair and Pine Bush Athletic Director, discussed the tennis coaches have requested to change the tennis format from 3 divisions to 2 divisions. They would also prefer no contest scheduled on the first day of school and to hold the OCIAA Championships in an indoor facility.

Mrs. Debbie Crowe, OCIAA Volleyball Chair and O'Neill Athletic Director, stated as Chairperson she is not in favor of the libero at the modified level. It was determined the OCIAA will not use the libero for Modified Volleyball.

The only uniform shoes allowed for modified boys and girls soccer are molded soles or sneakers.

The Spring Schedules are online to review. A vote to approve them will take place at the OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop on September 21, 2010.

Old Business

Mr. Doug Murphy, Monticello, discussed using the alternate gymnasiums when playing at Monticello and Minisink Valley for the volleyball travel teams to practice.

New Business

Announcements:

Cornwall – needs JV and Varsity Boys Basketball games

Monroe-Woodbury – Taravella Boys Basketball Tournament will be on December 18, 2010

Monroe-Woodbury needs JV and Varsity Girls Basketball games

Goshen – needs JV and Varsity Boys Basketball games

Warwick – needs a JV and Varsity Girls Basketball game

Eldred – needs JV and Varsity Boys and Girls Basketball games

Mr. Mike Larsen, Athletic Director at Minisink, explained on August 31st a girls varsity scrimmage was played that was not allowed due to Minisink did not have enough practices (team 7 not 8). A discussion by the OCIAA Athletic Directors took place with the following recommendation be made to the Section IX Athletic Council. A letter sent to the Minisink Valley Athletic Director and a copy to the Superintendent acknowledging Minisink Valley self reporting the incident. The letter should state the varsity coach should have also been aware of the rule. The Minisink Valley Athletic Director would be assigned an OCIAA Athletic Director as a mentor to help with the rules and regulations of the OCIAA, Section IX Athletics, and NYSPHSAA. The letter should be kept on file for two years. Further discussion will be held at the Section IX Athletic Council Meeting on September 14, 2010.

Mr. Chris Mayo, Assistant Interscholastic Athletic Coordinator, discussed the pending implementation of a revised SportsPak program. It is possible that the new version will be in place for the winter season. Mr. Mayo discussed some of the new features including a coach's login area that would enable coaches to view their certifications and input ratings. Mr. Mayo went on to state that in order for the program to function properly, each school will need to supply the league office with an accurate coaching roster for each season. Mr. Mayo stated he would develop a form to send to each school outlining the required information.

Mr. Mayo also stated that the OCIAA is looking to implement an online sports journal that would be available on the OCIAA website. The concept is to incorporate student reporters from each school district to write stories and scoring reports on contests within their school district. These would then be submitted for editing to the OCIAA's Bill Burr, a former Sports Editor for the *Times Herald Record*, and then be formatted for online publishing. Mr. Mayo stated that an informational flyer would be provided to the Athletic Directors to submit to the proper authority for approval.

Additionally, Mr. Mayo stated that pending approval, the OCIAA website could be used to link United States service men and women who are serving overseas with their child's athletic contests. The OCIAA may be able to host video content of contests with the assistance of the BOCES Technical Services Department. This would enable service men and women to stay actively involved in their child's athletic endeavors. Athletic Directors were asked to check with their coaches to find out if anyone had parents serving overseas in the military.

The next Athletic Directors Workshop is Tuesday, September 21, 2010 at Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center, Room B and C at 9:00 a.m.

Next Section IX Meeting is Tuesday, September 14, 2010 at Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center, Room B and C at 9:30 a.m.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Glen Maisch, Kingston, second by Mr. John Landro, Tuxedo. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Osborne

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