

**ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP
TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2011
ORANGE-ULSTER BOCES
CARL P. ONKEN CONFERENCE CENTER ROOM B & C**

All members were present except: Mr. Adam Kless, John S. Burke Catholic
Mr. Glen Maisch, Kingston
Mr. Chris Townsend, Newburgh
Mr. Michael Bellarosa, Valley Central
Mr. Greg Sirico, Warwick

Guests Present: Mr. Chris Radon, Greenwood Lake

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

1. Approval of Minutes of last meeting
Motion to approve the minutes of the March 29, 2011 Athletic Directors Workshop was made by Mr. Bob Siracuse, Goshen, second by Mr. Tim Bult, Fallsburg. All in favor.
Motion carried.
2. Scheduling Committee Meeting
The OCIAA Scheduling Committee met prior to the Athletic Directors Workshop. A report will be made during Items of Concern: Winter Schedules for 2011-2012.
3. OCIAA President's Report – Mr. Doug Murphy

OCIAA Scholar Athlete

The names of the scholar athletes were reviewed along with the seating chart for the OCIAA Senior Scholar Athlete Breakfast to be held on April 27, 2011.

Section IX Athletics

Review of the Section IX Athletic Council Meeting held on April 12, 2011 was given by Mr. Doug Murphy, OCIAA President.

Harmony Christian School has inquired about becoming a Friend and Neighbor of Section IX Athletics. At this time they need to complete the application process.

Cheerleading has not yet reached approval at the State level to become a sport.

The NYSPHSAA Safety Committee convened by conference call and submitted a report. Refer to minutes in the folder which includes: Minimum Weight Certification Program, Concussion Management Program, Modified sports recommendations, and other Section concerns.

The NYSPHSAA Modified Committee has requested Section/League approval for changes to volleyball and softball.

Motion made by Mr. John Landro, Tuxedo, second by Mr. Tim Bult, Fallsburg, to approve the service line in modified volleyball a maximum of two meters onto the court, effective Fall 2011. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion was made to approve modified softball pitching distance to 40 feet or 43 feet. Additional review will take place with Mr. Bruce Guyette, Section IX Softball Chairperson.

4. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator Report – Mr. James Osborne

Items of Concern:

A. OCIAA Scholar-Athlete Breakfast for 2010-2011 – April 27, 2011
Review of the details took place.

B. NYSPHSAA April 2011 Office Report

Mr. James Osborne reviewed the April report from NYSPHSAA. Action items for the next NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting on May 6-7, 2011 are stated on the report. Important reminders include the pitching distance change for Softball; Community Service Challenge Award, application and program information is available online at www.nysphsaa.org

Concussion Management – Schools are encouraged to develop a Board of Education approved Concussion Management Policy.

C. Spring 2011 Championship Dates – OCIAA and Section IX

Refer to schedule of spring championship dates in folder.

D. Mergers for 2011-2012

Mr. Fred Ahart stated it is expected Roscoe and Livingston Manor will merge in all sports and all levels pending Board of Education approval.

Possible sport mergers for Fallsburg and Tri-Valley and Fallsburg and Eldred may take place.

E. Winter Schedules for 2011-2012

The OCIAA Scheduling Committee met prior the Athletic Director's Workshop to discuss winter scheduling. Refer to copy in folder for format, dates and teams listed.

Basketball – The start date will be one week later next year. Freshman can play against JV teams if necessary. Two proposals are given for boys and girls modified basketball.

Wrestling – Division I – A and B wrestle dual matches in their group with crossovers. Division II A and B wrestle triangular or dual matches. Host schools are needed for the modified wrestling multi-meet.

Boys Swimming – Swim dates are listed. A block has been added for rescheduling swim meets.

F. Reviewing the Fiscal Concerns for 2011-2012

The number of participating teams for 2011-2012 was reviewed. The OCIAA Scheduling Committee approved the following format in scheduling. Mr. James Osborne stated schools could save money in their budgets by reducing transportation and officials' fees in the new scheduling format. The Athletic Directors discussed and voted each sport format.

FALL

Modified Volleyball

14 contests playing 3 game format. Change the format so that it will be two matches – 3 game format.

7 Dates – 4 Home / 3 Away Sites reversed the following season.

Motion to approve modified volleyball format made by Mrs. Debbie Crowe, O'Neill, second by Mr. Dave Franskevicz, Sullivan West. All in favor. Motion carried.

Modified Soccer – Boys and Girls

Schedule change so that Boys and Girls Soccer would travel on the same bus to play.

Boys – 12 contests Girls – 12 contests

Varsity would not be scheduled that day. 24 dates would be reduced to 12 dates. If a school district needs to reschedule they would contact the school involved.

Motion to approve modified boys and girls soccer format made by Mr. Jason Semo, Liberty, second by Mr. Rob Gravelle, S.S. Seward. All in favor. Motion carried.

WINTER

Modified Basketball - Boys and Girls

Boys and Girls would travel to the same site to play contests. 28 dates would be reduced to 14 dates. If a school district needs to reschedule they would contact the schools involved.

Motion to approve modified boys and girls basketball format made by Mrs. Debbie Crowe, O'Neill, second by Mr. Lou Cioffi, Cornwall. All in favor. Motion carried.

SPRING

Varsity Boys and Girls Golf

Where possible both teams would play on the same date and site. Girls golf alignments would be revised to reflect the boys alignments.

Boys – 18 contests Girls – 18 contests

36 dates would be reduced to 18 dates with site reversal the next year. If a school district needs to reschedule they would contact the schools involved.

Motion to approve boys and girls golf format made by Mr. David Coates, Middletown, second by Mr. Bob Siracuse, Goshen. All in favor. Motion carried.

JV and Varsity Lacrosse – Boys & Girls

Schedule would be set up so that teams could play the Varsity contest to be followed by the JV contest, where and when possible.

Boys – 16 Varsity & 16 JV contests

Girls – 16 Varsity & 16 JV contests

32 dates would be reduced to 16 dates. If a school district needs to reschedule they would contact the schools involved.

Motion to approve was tabled.

Additional Items in Folder:

- Summer 2011 Coaching Courses
- Jim Ross Service Awards for 2010-2011 – **Please return by the next Athletic Directors Workshop on May 24, 2011**
- 3rd Annual Goshen Historic Track – High School Scholarship Races – June 5, 2011
Opportunity for high school seniors to be eligible to win a Scholarship Grant and earn funds for the local school district they represent.
- Section IX Golf Outing at Apple Greens Golf Club on June 14, 2011 – Sign-Up Sheet
- Coaching Certificates and Billing Memorandums

5. Old Business

None was reported.

6. New Business

Mr. David Coates, Section IX Football Co-Chairperson (Middletown), reported that he attended a MHAL Athletic Directors Meeting to report on the Exceptional Senior Football Game. The MHAL would prefer to start this program in 2012-2013 as a two-year pilot program with a moratorium on other sports to not have an exceptional senior game during the two-year pilot period. Mr. Bob Siracuse, Goshen, discussed the OCIAA not approve a moratorium for other sports.

Ms. Roberta Greene, Section IX Athletic Council and Superintendent of Schools at Washingtonville, has requested legal questions be looked into concerning liabilities before a Section IX vote takes place.

Mr. Osborne announced the Classification of Non Public Schools Committee will report at the next Section IX Meeting for any movements in classification.

The next Athletic Directors Workshop is Tuesday, May 24, 2011 at Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center, Room B and C at 9:00 a.m.

The next Section IX Meeting is Wednesday, May 18, 2011 at Mt. St. Mary College at 9:30 a.m.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Tim Bult, Fallsburg, second by Mr. Lou Cioffi, Cornwall. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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