

**ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2014 - 9:30 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 School

Mr. Bill Spanjer, Chapel Field Christian School

Mr. Kirk Wareham, Mount Academy

Ms. Wendy Crandall, Pine Bush

Associate Member and Guest Present:

Mr. Chris Radon, Greenwood Lake

Mr. Dennis Burkett, MHAL Coordinator/Section IX Negotiator

The OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop was called to order at 9:35 a.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of last meeting on November 18, 2014
Motion to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2014 OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop was made by Mr. Tim Bult (Minisink) second by Mrs. Debra Crowe (O'Neill). All in favor. Motion carried.
2. OCIAA President's Report – Mr. Michael Bellarosa
Mr. Bellarosa, OCIAA President (Valley Central) reported on Section IX Athletics items.
 - A. Cheerleading – Dual Season
Motion made by Mrs. Debra Crowe (O'Neill), second by Mr. Harold Fried, OCIAA Cheerleading Chairperson (Fallsburg) to only have competitive cheer in the winter season. All in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Bult asked about Cheerleading Invitationals that are offered in the fall season. It was discussed only Spirit Cheerleading can be conducted in the fall season which is non-competitive.
 - B. Fairness in High School Athletic Competition Proposal
Mr. Bellarosa explained balancing the maximum number of contests by length of sport season proposal. (Refer to copy in folder.) He stated it may cause the loss of contests if this is passed. Tennis and Golf will be reduced and other sports will not be affected. Motion made by Mr. Ron Semerano (Port Jervis) second by Mr. Jason Semo (Newburgh) to accept this proposal for the sport seasons. Discussion on how this will affect getting games back in most sports. Basketball would be able to obtain their 20 games back but most sports will not be able to get games back. A roll call vote was taken. The results were:
2 In Favor 20 Opposed 4 Absent. The motion did not pass.

The OCIAA Athletic Directors did not proceed with a motion to accept the Standard Calendar of Weeks Proposal.

C. Section IX Athletic Council Representation

Motion made by Mr. John Landro, OCIAA Vice President (Tuxedo) second by Mr. Greg Sirico (Warwick) for Mr. Ron Montalto (Monroe-Woodbury) to serve on the Section IX Athletic Council replacing Mr. Scott Courter (Washingtonville) effective January 1, 2015. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Christopher Mayo thanked Mr. Courter for his service to the Section IX Athletic Council and OCIAA. Congratulations and applause was given to Mr. Courter for his work as Athletic Director at Washingtonville.

Transgender Policy and gender competition was discussed by Mr. Michael Bellarosa. Mr. Christopher Mayo recommends the OCIAA should adopt the policy that is drafted by NYSPHSAA. Motion to approve the Transgender Policy adopted by NYSPHSAA was made by Mr. Tim Bult (Minisink) second by Mr. Mike Kroemer (Cornwall). All in favor. Motion carried.

3. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator Report – Mr. Christopher Mayo

A. BEDS Report 2015-2016

Mr. Christopher Mayo, Interscholastic Athletic Coordinator, asked if there were any discrepancies on the BEDS form for 2015-2016. No reporting errors were announced.

B. 2015-2016 Sports Teams Alignments

The 2015-2016 OCIAA Sports Teams Alignments were presented to the Athletic Directors Workshop on November 18th. A motion to approve the 2015-2016 OCIAA Sports Teams Alignments was made by Mr. Greg Voloshin (Goshen) second by Mr. Rob Gravelle (Seward). All in favor. Motion carried.

C. Dropped Teams Winter Season

Livingston Manor dropped girls modified basketball.

D. OCIAA Associate Members 2015-2016

The OCIAA Associate Members for 2015-2016 are listed in folder. Motion to approve was made by Ms. Jolene Porter (Eldred) second by Mr. Adam Larson (Livingston Manor). All in favor. Motion carried.

E. NYSAAA Conference and Hotel Registration

Conference registration and hotel registration forms are included in folder for the New York State Athletic Administrators Association Conference on March 18-21, 2015.

F. ROIA Budget 2015-2016

Mr. Christopher Mayo stated the budget process is beginning at this time. NYSPHSAA dues will remain the same for next year. Section IX Dues and OCIAA dues will be determined soon.

G. Scholar Athlete Breakfast – April 23, 2015

Mr. Montalto stated a Monroe-Woodbury graduate will be the keynote speaker.

H. Winter Coaching Courses – Online Update

Winter and Spring 2015 Coaching Courses are in the folder and posted on the ROIA website. A hybrid course (classroom and online) for Theory and Techniques will be offered starting December 18, 2014. In the future more hybrid style courses will be offered for the Theory and Techniques, Philosophy and Principles and Health Sciences courses.

I. Winter Schedules 2014-2015 – Alpine Ski and Indoor Track

Motion to approve the schedules for Alpine Ski and Indoor Track was made by Mr. Michael Kroemer (Cornwall) second by Mr. Greg Sirico (Warwick). All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Old Business

None was reported.

5. New Business

Tri Valley had an ineligible player for the first two games of the boys' basketball season. Due to medical reasons, the player did not have enough practices and did not initially seek clearance. This was self-reported by Mr. Derek Adams, Athletic Director at Tri Valley. Mr. Mayo explained Mr. Robert Thabet, Section IX Executive Director, was informed and approved the way the self-reporting of the violation was reported and handled.

Mr. Maisch (Kingston) stated a spectator passed out at a game and CPR was administered. A defibrillator had to be used and the individual responded and was taken to the hospital where he was treated and released. Mr. Maisch reminded Athletic Directors to make sure their school's defibrillator is in working order and ready to go at all times.

Mr. David Coates, Section IX Football Co-Chairperson (Middletown) explained the new classification playoff schedule for Section IX Football. Many scenarios were looked at and the Football Committee derived at this format. Every game will be meaningful in the schedule. An example of what this format will look like in the AA Classification was explained by Mr. Coates. Seeding tie breaker was explained. A copy of Football Proposal for 2015 is included in the folder. Mr. Coates asked Athletic Directors to discuss this proposal with their football coaches. Further discussion and vote will take place at the next Athletic Directors Workshop on January 27, 2015. The Football Committee is pleased with this proposal after much work to arrive at this format. If there are any questions please contact your classification representative, Mr. Coates or Mr. Glen Maisch, Football Co-Chairpersons.

John S. Burke update was discussed by Mr. Michael Bellarosa. He stated an extension for the attorney to review additional affidavits submitted was agreed upon by the Section IX Athletic Council. A report will be made to the Athletic Council on January 6, 2015.

Mr. Mayo reminded Athletic Directors the Regional Office of Interscholastic Athletics can always be reached over the winter holidays by calling the office phone at 294-5799 or his cell number at (845) 590-9627. Mr. Mayo wished everyone a safe and happy holiday.

6. Next Athletic Directors Workshop – Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.
At Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center, Room B & C

Next Section IX Meeting – Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.
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7. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Tim Bult (Minisink) second by Mr. Glen Maisch (Kingston). All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Christopher P. Mayo
Interscholastic Athletic Coordinator

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