

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

**TUESDAY, January 31, 2017- 9:30 A.M.**

**\*Meeting Notes Below – please review. We will not hold this meeting due to lack of available dates / locations to hold meeting. We will cover these items and more at the February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. If you have comments or questions please email me or call me. Here is the link for the meeting materials:**

**<http://roia.oubooces.org/ociaa%20meetings/20162017/materialsjan24.pdf>**

1. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting (December 20, 2016) – we will do this at February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.
2. OCIAA President’s Report – Mr. Mike Bellarosa
  - A. Fall Starting Dates 2017-2018**
    - Our discussion is whether to start all Sports on August 14<sup>th</sup>, or Just football on August 14<sup>th</sup> and all other sports start August 21<sup>st</sup>. Either way, our schedule of games start after school begins. So if you start on August 14<sup>th</sup>, you will have quite a period of time without games. But that allows you time for extra practice and scrimmages. You may want to think about the earliness of the August 14<sup>th</sup> start date and the necessity of it. We will be voting on this on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Please have a discussion with your administration and coaches.
      - a. Football August 14, 2017 – This is definite.
      - b. All Other HS Sports – August 21, 2017 – Proposed.
  - B. Sportsmanship – Scores**
    - We have had several games where scores have been extremely lopsided. This often causes hard fouls, conflict between coaches, and anger from fans. Please just talk to your coaches about sportsmanship and what effect running up scores can have. While no one would suggest that a team stops playing or trying, perhaps asking players to pass a minimum amount before a shot is taken with a 50 point lead would be a good way to work around it.
  - C. Transfer Rule**
    - We will be reviewing the Transfer Rule at our next meeting. But in our meeting materials I have included a form that Tim Bult uses to determine an athlete’s eligibility. I have modified it a bit, adding a column to determine if an athlete transferred into the district. If you have suggestions on additions or changes to the form that will help you, please email me and we can change it. I just want to give you something that your coaches can get back to you so there will be a heads up for you if something looks out of place. Thank you Tim Bult for the form.
3. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator’s Report – Mr. Christopher Mayo

Items of Concern:

**A. Updated Beds Chart 2017-2018**

- In the meeting materials I have included an updated BEDS chart. We got the numbers back from NYSPHSAA. There were a few changes that need to be noted: For OCIAA, Port Jervis moves to class B Volleyball; VC moves to class B Girls Lacrosse. For Section IX Football, New Paltz moves back to Class B.

#### **B. Fall Schedules 2017-2018 – Discussion**

- Please review the scheduling sheets in your packet and go online and review your schedules for the Fall 2017-2018 school year. All schedules are being released today except for football. Please ask your fall coaches to review their schedules. We will vote on them at the February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. We are looking at having two divisional swim meets at the end of the season to determine a division 1 and Division 2 champion. We need someone to host those with minimal expense to the league. Concessions make a lot of money for these events. If we cannot find a host for both meets we will have to consider other options. The meets would have to be separated as follows: Diving on a Thursday, Division 2 swimming on a Friday, and Division 1 swimming on a Saturday. We do not have enough officials to host both swim championships on the same date.

#### **C. Section IX Football Schedules**

- Football schedules are being worked on and will be approved by the committee on February 10<sup>th</sup>. The Alignments are in the meeting materials. Please note the merger of Sullivan West, Roscoe, Liv. Manor and Downsville still needs to be formally approved, but they meet the criteria for a merged team. So for the purpose of timing, they were included in the schedule as a merged entity in Class C under Sullivan West.

#### **D. Scholar Athlete Form (Breakfast April 20, 2017)**

- Please have these completed by March 1<sup>st</sup>, but the early the better for processing time for us.

#### **E. Tyler Muise Award**

- Please read the document in the meeting materials. We are pleased to offer this award. Instructions and qualifications are included in the flyer in the meeting materials. For any student not chosen as the winner, I would be happy to come to your district and present them with a letter of gratitude and an OCIAA Medal.

#### **F. Cheerleading - Section IX Championship Information**

- We sent this packet out via email, but have included it again in the meeting materials. Please make sure you get this in. Remember you need a minimum of two meets participated in before you are eligible for postseason.

#### **G. NYS Athletic Administrators Association Conference**

- Information is in your meeting materials.

#### **H. ROIA Budget 2017-2018**

- A copy of the budget is in your meeting materials. As stated earlier, there is an increase of \$750 per school. Section IX dues remain unchanged and state dues remain unchanged due to increased sponsorship.

## **I. Combining of Teams**

- We will need to vote on several combining of team requests at the February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. Among them:
  - **Fall 2017-2018:** Sullivan West host school to combine with Roscoe, Liv. Manor and Downsville for Varsity Football. Sullivan West did not have enough varsity caliber athletes and Roscoe/Liv. Manor/Downsville had low numbers.
  - **Fall 2017-2018:** Liv. Manor combined with Roscoe for Modified B Football Varsity and Modified Girls Soccer, Varsity and Modified Boys Soccer, Varsity and Modified Girls Cross Country, Varsity and Modified Boys Cross Country - With Roscoe and Downsville
  - **Spring 2016-2017 (This Spring):** Varsity Softball, Varsity and Modified Girls Track, Varsity and Modified Boys Track, Varsity Boys Golf - Livingston Manor added to the already approved merger with Roscoe and Downsville.  
\*Softball and Track are held at Downsville in Section 4 not impacting Section 9 scheduling. In Boys Golf Livingston Manor has only 2 golfers returning from last year so that will not impact Section 9 Combining of Schools Guidelines

## **J. Unified Sports**

- Youth Activation Committee meets Friday February 3<sup>rd</sup> at West Point.
- Saugerties dropped out last week, and that leaves us with 6 schools- Pine Plains, Valley Central, Rondout, Monroe Woodbury, Middletown, Newburgh
- May 2<sup>nd</sup> will be the scrimmage – we are looking for Location(s)

4. Old Business

5. New Business

6. Next Athletic Directors Workshop – Tuesday, February 28, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.  
Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center, Room B & C

Next Section IX Meeting – Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. @ John A. Coleman High School

7. Adjourn