

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

Tuesday, February 20, 2018- 9:30 A.M.

All members present except: Mr. Michael Bellarosa, OCIAA President

Guests Present: Mr. Dennis Burkett, MHAL Coordinator
Mr. James Osborne, Section IX Secretary/Treasurer

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

1. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2018, OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop made by Mr. Michael Kroemer (Minisink) and seconded by Ms. Debra Crowe (O'Neill/HFFM). All in favor. Motion carried.

2. NYSPHSAA Meeting Report – Mr. James Osborne

Please refer to the handout provided by Mr. Osborne highlighting information discussed at the NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting held on February 2, 2018. Among the important topics discussed was the emerging sport of Girls Wrestling.

3. OCIAA President's Report – Mr. Michael Bellarosa

No report.

4. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator's Report – Mr. Christopher P. Mayo

A. OCIAA Scholar Athlete Breakfast – May 22, 2018

- 1) Please let your Superintendent and administrators know the date.
- 2) We are looking for a guest speaker. Please share your suggestions.
- 3) Registration forms will be sent out in March.
- 4) We are also looking for a singer for the National Anthem. Please share your suggestions.

B. Tyler Muise Award

Please submit your nominations. The student must be in high school but not necessarily a senior.

C. O-U BOCES 2018-2019 Student Calendar

The Student Calendar is included in your handouts for your reference.

D. 2018-2019 Proposed Athletic Calendar

Please review the Proposed Athletic Calendar included in your handouts. A vote for approval will take place at our next meeting in March.

E. Alignments 2018-2019 – vote

The Scheduling Committee has met and has approved the alignments. Motion to approve made by Mr. Tim Bult (Minisink) and seconded by Ms. Suzanne Lenzian (Fallsburg). All in favor. Motion carried.

F. Fall Schedules 2018

With alignments now approved, schedules are being worked on and expect to be ready within the next month or so.

G. Athletic Coordinator's Office Budget for 2018-2019

The budget has been approved by the Board with an overall increase of \$500 per district. Motion to approve made by Mr. Kroemer (Cornwall) and seconded by Ms. Crowe (O'Neill/HFFM). All in favor. Motion carried.

H. Section IX Football 2018 – Mr. David Coates

- 1) Mr. Coates (Middletown) thanked Mr. Mayo and office staff for their assistance in creating schedules.
- 2) Tommy Tuff Standards were approved by the Officials Association. Annual clinic dates will be coming soon and sending someone different each time continues to be encouraged.
- 3) Class representatives are as follows:
 - AA – Marsh Canossa
 - A – Tim Bult
 - B – Bob Corvino
 - C – Marco Lanzoni
 - D – Frank Kean
 - 8-Man – David Franskevicz

I. Combining of Teams – Mr. Tim Bult

Millbrook combining teams with Webutuck for Varsity and Modified A Football. Motion to approve made by Mr. Bult (Minisink) and seconded by Ms. Lenzian (Fallsburg). All in favor. Motion carried.

J. Unified Sports

Mr. Rich Silverstein said the last meeting went well and the season is expected to kick off in early April.

5. Old Business

The NYSAAA Conference was discussed. The dinner for the Chapter 9 NYSAAA Athletic Administrator Award honoring Mr. Fred Ahart will be held on Wednesday evening, March 14, 2018.

6. New Business

- 1) Mr. Mayo requested that all chairpersons review by-laws for their sport. The OCIAA and MHAL are looking to streamline the by-laws.
- 2) Mr. Mayo will be updating the baseball and softball by-laws.
- 3) Tim Bult, Minisink Valley brought up discussion on girls wrestling as a sport in NYSPHSAA. The Athletic Directors had a very positive view of having a separate girls wrestling tournament or championship at the end of the season if NYSPHSAA adopts as a sport. The feasibility of having a separate team for girls during the regular season was discussed and the group felt that overall numbers wouldn't be great enough to sustain individual teams. However, it was discussed that the female wrestlers may be able to compete with and against males during the regular season and then break off for a female postseason tournament of some sort if girls wrestling gets included in a change to the representation rule that would permit this. Mr. Kroemer, OCIAA Wrestling Chairman, will be gathering statewide information regarding participation in Girls Wrestling for the purpose of determining if it will become a sport to stand on its own. Please note the modified level is not included in these statewide numbers, so be sure to send Mr. Kroemer an email indicating your district's number of female wrestlers at the this level. A full report of this information can be expected in April 2018.

- 4) Mr. Lou Cioffi requested any schools to send him their Academic Eligibility guidelines.
- 5) A request for Modified Lacrosse by-laws was presented. Mr. Mayo will be sure these by-laws are updated and distributed, so it can be voted on via email or at the next meeting in March.
- 6) Please see the following handouts:
 - a. Pledge to Show Respect – R-WORD.ORG
 - b. Pre-Season Girls lacrosse Multi Scrimmage scheduled at Mount St. Mary College on March 25, 2018.
- 7) Mr. Mayo shared the news release regarding Home/Visiting uniforms to switch in high school soccer and stated it would be emailed to all this afternoon.

3. Next Athletic Directors Workshop – Tuesday, March 20, 2018, at 9:30 a.m.
Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl P. Onken Conference Center, Room B & C

4. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Bult (Minisink) and seconded by Ms. Lenzian (Fallsburg). All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Christopher P. Mayo
Interscholastic Athletic Coordinator

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