

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Burgundy Basin
Wednesday, January 16, 2013
8:30AM & 10:30AM

Members Present:

Executive Committee – Joe Backer, Jim Zumbo, Kim Henshaw, Dennis O’Brien; Lori Delyser, Marc Blankenberg, Joe Sposato, Fritz Kilian, Merritt Holly, Peter Shambo, Jackie Meyer, Ed Stores

Athletic Council – Allegany County – Lisa Scott-Schneider, Jon Beardsley; Rochester City Athletic Conference: – Donna Enright; Finger Lakes – Kim Ward, Lyle Dixon, Dave Pullen, Peter Mancuso; Genesee Region – Bill Burns, Tom Dooling; Livingston County – Scott Bischooping, Craig Veley, Matt Wilkens, Mike Monacelli; Monroe County – Deborah Leh, Dave Richardson, Sue Penepent, Peter Shambo; Private-Parochial – Chris Belmont, Nick Schlierf, Joe Marchand; Steuben County – Rich Calkins, Mike Wright, Dale Steiner, Ann Hosmer; Wayne County – John Walker, Steve Veeder, Mark Michele

Sport Coordinators – Dick Cerone, football; Julie Odenbach; Kathy Hutteman

Past Presidents – Dennis Fries

Special Guests – Todd Nelson, Assistant Executive Director, NYSPHSAA
President Joe Backer introduced Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA, who spoke briefly about several of our discussion items. He indicated that he wanted to be part of the Council discussions regarding combined team, classifications and BEDS data.

ACTION ITEMS:

The **minutes** of the November 7, 2012 meeting were approved.

Combined teams applications for CG Finney and Aquinas in boys swimming and for Greece Odyssey and Greece Athena in boys tennis were approved.

Senior All-Star games in girl’s and boy’s basketball for FLHSAA and Wayne County on March 12, 2013 at Waterloo, boys and girls basketball for Steuben and Allegany Counties on March 7, 2013 at Canisteo-Greenwood, and in boys and girls basketball and cheerleading for MCPHSAA March 9, 2013 at East Irondequoit were approved.

The Executive Committee accepted the **resignation** of Wayne Inman as Section V boys bowling coordinator with commendation.

Approval was given for the Gilead School of Discipleship to join Section V as a **Friend and Neighbor**

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ed Stores indicated that the Section is in discussion with Time Warner regarding a contract to televise finals in several sports. At issue presently is the length of the contract and dollar amounts to be derived from these events. He and Todd Nelson indicated that Robert Zayas and Todd would be meeting with the Commissioner of Education to discuss

mixed competition. Robert had presented information from the NFHS regarding other states on this issue. The section will wait to see what comes from these discussions before going forward. Lastly, He told the Section that final arrangements with Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES on fingerprint clearance are in place. Each league will be asked for a letter in writing that expresses interest in being part of a BOCES COSER on this.

Jackie Meyer, Section V Treasurer, gave a financial report showing a net worth of \$226,605.64. She indicated that this amount would be used to determine dues for 2013-2014 to be discussed later in the meeting. There was a request from the council to look more closely at the expenses being generated by sport committees rather than increased ticket prices to show greater revenue. She also indicated that bills for cross country are being sent to schools and that additional revenues are coming in from t-shirt sales.

Joe Backer led a discussion on dues structure for 2013-2014. Various leagues expressed what they felt the dues policy should look like. The discussion turned to whether or not schools should be charged dues for the coming year. There were concerns that any dues charged would be detrimental to school budgets. After much discussion, the Council voted to suspend the dues protocol calling for the establishment of a reserve over the next few years for a period of one year and therefore charge no dues for 2013-2014.

The Council then discussed at length a proposal on how to classify combined teams. The proposal was developed by a committee of sectional representatives from around the state and will be voted on at the State Executive Committee meeting on January 29, 2013. The Council voted to reject the proposal as written with the idea that something else could be done to assist schools who feel the need to combine.

Todd Nelson indicated that a discussion at the State meeting in January on football classification numbers will be brought up by one of our sections. The Council voted to support the number developed by the State for one more year. He also indicated that the issue of Section uniforms will be brought up again. After some discussion our representatives will vote against such a proposal.

Fritz Kilian and Denny Fries talked to the Executive committee and Council regarding a section-wide scheduling program. A survey was taken regarding programs presently being used. An invitation to a scheduling workshop at the Erie I BOCES was extended by Denny Fries.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Partial Teams approvals were given for Newark (w/Wayne) in alpine skiing; Lima Christian (w/Dansville) in modified swimming; and Northstar Christian (w/Bishop Kearney) in boys golf.

Peter Shambo handed out registration materials for the March NYSAAA Conference and briefly discussed the programming.

Tentative State Championship dates and Sites were distributed to the Council.

Brighton CSD was congratulated on being the State Scholar-Athlete Award Champion in boys and girls cross country.

SPORT COORDINATOR REPORTS

Dick Cerone, football, has several changes in mind for next year. A request for an increase in ticket prices will be given to the Finance Committee for review. He also indicated that semi-finals will be taken out of Sahlen Stadium as well the D and DD finals.

Julie Odenbach, girls golf, had no action items. She reviewed the results of the fall tournament. She also requested that the section support same color golf shirts as she felt this was a safety factor in gathering her girls when courses had to be evacuated.

Kathy Hutteman, field hockey, had no action items. She discussed the use of officials and pay issues for officials from other sections. Todd indicated that this will be looked at for regionals and /or intersectionals.

Meeting **adjourned** at 12:30PM.

Next meetings – February 13, 2013 in Lakeville at 10:00AM for Executive Committee and March 20, 2013 at Burgundy Basin for the Executive Committee (8:30AM) and the Athletic Council (10:30).