

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Obrien's
Wednesday, September 18, 2013
8:30AM & 10:30AM

Members Present:

Executive Committee – Joe Backer, Jim Zumbo, Kim Henshaw, Lori Delyser, Craig Veley, Pete Shambo, Gary Mix, Joe Sposato, Merritt Holly, Mark Blankenberg, Kathy Boughton, Fritz Kilian, Jackie Meyer, Ed Stores

Athletic Council – Allegany County – Kim Mueller, Lisa Scott-Schneider, Jon Beardsley,; Rochester City Athletic Conference: – Carlos Cotto, David Boundy, Donna Enright; Finger Lakes – Kim Ward, Dave Pullen, Lyle Dixon: Genesee Region – Tom Dooling, Kevin Watson : Livingston County – Tim Hayes, Matt Wilkens, Brian Moran, Mike Monacelli: Monroe County – Jack Milner, Sue Penepent, Fritz Kilian: Private-Parochial – Chris Belmont, Rob Johnson, Nick Schlierf, Joe Marchand: Steuben County – Rich Calkins, Dale Steiner, Ann Hosmer: Wayne County – Steve Veeder, Mark Michelle

Sport Coordinators – None

Past Presidents – Jim Zumbo, Ed Stores

Special Guests – Doug Wyant, Hornell CSO

ACTION ITEMS:

The **minutes** of the August 27, 2013 meeting were approved as amended.

Two **Foreign Exchange** student-athletes were approved to reside with coaches at Sodus CSD.

Approval was granted to place an ad for all sports in the NYSPHSAA Championship **Programs**.

Approval was granted for six **Senior All-Star** girls soccer games on Nov. 10, 2013 **pending receipt of the Certificate of Insurance**.

Combined teams approval in ice hockey was granted for Greece Athena and Greece Odyssey; Dansville, Livonia and Geneseo; East Rochester, HF-L and Brighton; and Pittsford Sutherland and Pittsford Mendon.

Past President presided over the **election** of a boys sport rep and a girls sport rep at 10:00AM. By a vote of the league boys and girls sport reps Kathy Boughton and Pete Shambo were re-elected to those positions on the Executive Committee.

President Joe Backer **appointed** Joe Sposato as the at-large member of the Executive Committee.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Ed Stores, **Executive Director**, reported on the current state of the NYSPHSAA pilot program for **combined teams**. Carlos Cotto was present during the Executive Committee

meeting to review his winter combined teams. The Committee agreed with the way he had counted students in those combinations.

An issue regarding **transfers** was postponed until the October meeting. He distributed a list of transfer that had been acted upon to date for this year.

Liaison appointments were reviewed. Marc Blankenberg will take boys and girls cross-country.

He informed the group that Section V will go to State Supreme Court on October 18, 2013 for a hearing on an extended eligibility case.

Jackie Meyer, **Treasurer**, reported that the Section had a current balance of \$229, 000 to begin this fiscal year. She indicated that we are drafting an RFP for a complete audit to be done during the 2013-2014 year. A draft of a RFP to bid sports apparel for a multi year period was reviewed. Changes were suggested and will be presented in October.

The **Finance Committee** presented a report to the Executive committee regarding current and past sport finances. The report was presented by members Lou Alaimo and Dave Mastin. The Executive Committee was extremely grateful for their work in this area .

President Joe Backer indicated that he would like the Executive Committee to begin a discussion regarding a **Constitutional review**. There have been issues that have come up that were not specifically covered by the Constitution as well as other issues that might need review.

Pete Shambo reviewed a MOU for wrestling fees in the current **official contract**. This was approved. There was brief discussion regarding a request for a third official in boys lacrosse. This was rejected.

President Joe Backer split the Athletic Council into four **focus groups** (CSO, HSP, Boys reps and Girls reps) to discuss two major issues. They were combined teams and mixed competition. Several ideas on combined teams were presented. Some felt that the pilot program should run its course and then be evaluated. Others felt that the pilot should be evaluated after the first year while one group discussed the idea of mergers five or more years should be calculated at 100%. The mixed competition issue also brought forth several ideas. All were concerned about safety. All felt that the Commissioner has to further define significant adverse effect as it related to boys on girls teams. Some felt that boys should be evaluated by an unbiased person or group before being allowed to participate. Further action by the Athletic Council is needed.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Partial teams were approved for CG Finney (cross-country) and HF-L (gymnastics)

SPORT COORDINATOR REPORTS - None

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

