

**SECTION V MINUTES  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MAY 15, 2002  
DIPACIFIC'S FARMINGTON, NY**

Member Present: Dennis Fries, Retta Smith, Kathy Smith, Bob Smith, Phil Langton, Joe Sposato, Rod Verkey, Rod Verkey, Mike Simon, Jim Zumbo, Jackie Meyer, Diane Murphy, Sandy Cutter, and Ed Stores

Action Items:

A motion was made by Sandy Cutter and seconded by Retta Smith to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2002 meeting. Carried

A motion was made by Rod Verkey and seconded by Kim Henshaw to approve a Senior All-Star game for Monroe County in baseball pending an insurance certificate on June 2, 2002. Carried

A motion was made by Sandy Cutter and seconded by Retta Smith to approve a Senior All-Star game in softball for Monroe County pending an insurance certificate on June 8, 2002. Carried

A motion was made by Bob Smith and seconded by Rod Verkey to approve a Senior All-Star game in baseball for Livingston County on June 7, 2002 pending an insurance certificate. Carried

A motion was made by Sandy Cutter and seconded by Retta Smith to approve a Senior All-Star softball game for Livingston County on June 7, 2002 pending an insurance certificate. Carried

A motion was made by Joe Sposato and seconded by Rod Verkey to approve a Senior All-Star baseball game for Finger Lakes pending an insurance certificate. Carried.

A motion was made by Sandy Cutter and seconded by Kim Henshaw to approve a Senior All-Star softball game for Steuben County and Allegany County on June 7, 2002. Carried

A motion was made by Joe Sposato and seconded by Rod Verkey to approve Senior All-Star games in boys and girls lacrosse on June 11, 2002 pending an insurance certificate. Carried

A motion was made by Retta Smith and seconded by Sandy Cutter approving the recommendation of the Sportsmanship Committee to send three (3) Good Sports Assessments on to the State Association for consideration. Those three included Penfield CSD, Red Creek CSD, and North Rose-Wolcott CSD. Carried.

A motion was made by Rod Verkey and seconded by Retta Smith approving a quarter page add in the State Track and Field Handbook. Carried

A motion was made by Phil Langton and seconded by Kim Henshaw to approve a combined teams application for Webster Thomas and Webster Schroeder in boys swimming, nordic skiing, alpine skiing, girls gymnastics, and girls golf. Carried Boys and girls indoor track was tabled.

A motion was made by Phil Langton and seconded by Rod Verkey to award the bid for Section V shields to Morphy Awards and Sportswear in the amount of \$3.75 per shield. This is a one-year bid acceptance. Carried

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS

Two Spencerport students have been nominated to attend the Student Leadership Conference 2002 in Indianapolis this summer. Those students are Phil Mannix and Megan Reising.

Dennis Fries spoke to the Committee regarding the Good Sports Assessments. He indicated that the Sportsmanship Committee dealt with approximately eight applications this year and has set a goal of 100% for next year.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding a proposal from the Steuben County league regarding private school competition at the Sectional level. The proposal would bar those member schools from participating at that level. The Committee discussed the deliberations of the past three years regarding a "level playing field". A discussion ensued relating to the convening of our original committee to look at the issue again. Dennis Fries will chair the committee again. Steuben County representatives were present to discuss their views at the Athletic Council meeting.

Fingerprinting of officials was also discussed. Walter Eaton assisted in the discussion regarding the political nature of the debate. There has been legislation introduced in the Assembly that would eliminate this requirement but no companion legislation in the Senate exists.

Nominations for three positions have been received. For President-elect the nominations are Neil Zwierlein, Rochester City and Rick Amundsen, Webster CSD. For Boys rep Rod Verkey, Wayne County has been nominated and for girls rep on the State Executive Committee, the nominee is Kathy Smith, East High. Ed Stores will prepare a ballot to be sent to all member schools.

Walter Eaton along with Jim Zumbo and Retta Smith reported on the last State Executive Committee meeting. A copy of the report will be included in the AD mailing ASAP.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

The 2002-2003 Ciset list was distributed.

Sport clinics sponsored by NYSPHSAA for Volleyball and Soccer have been announced and sent to all schools.

A news article from Florida depicting their problems with the "level playing field" issue was distributed.

## SPORTS COORDINATORS REPORTS

Bev Hooper, field hockey, gave a report asking for a change in the Section V Tournament format. This proposal was rejected by the committee in support of opposition from Monroe County Schools.

Joanne Small, cheerleading, spoke to the group regarding a mat for competitions. The issue of purchasing versus renting was discussed. Jackie Meyer will look into this issue more closely. No decision was made at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30PM  
Submitted by Ed Stores, Executive Director

**MINUTES**  
**SECTION V ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING**  
**DiPacific's**  
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Roll call was conducted and it was determined that there was not a quorum. Several discussion items were discussed at this meeting.

Walter Eaton discussed several items that were on the State Executive Committee agenda. Attached is a handout from Walter detailing those items.

Ed Stores gave an update on the transfer rule situation. Nothing has been determined at the appeal stage of the process as yet.

The mileage committee recommendations were discussed. There were concerns expressed with the fifty mile provision when opposing schools were more than seventy five miles apart. Some felt that this would make finding neutral courts more difficult and others felt that the higher seed team was losing an advantage by traveling farther than necessary. All leagues had not discussed the issues and proposals and so the recommendation was that these discussions continue.

Ed Stores is in the process of putting the newly signed officials agreement on the Section V web site.

There was discussion regarding the finance committee recommendation regarding the first and possibly second round of sectionals. There is concern about charging admission and about paying for all expenses if a school chooses not to charge. Leagues need to discuss this further and have been asked to do so.

Dennis Fries went over action items dealt by the executive Committee earlier in the afternoon. These are included and because there was no quorum they are in effect.

Steve Smith, President of the Steuben County League, read a position paper detailing the leagues desire to eliminate private parochial participation at the Sectional level. He spoke at length about their concerns. Paul Fauth, Past President of Section V spoke to the original deliberations in the 1970's that led to membership in Section V for the Private Parochial schools. There was discussion about the constitutional (Section V) validity of such a move. Dennis Fries, at the direction of the Council, will reconvene the original committee that established guidelines for transfers. The issue of "leveling the playing field" will be the subject of their deliberations.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30PM