

**MINUTES OF THE ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 14, 2001  
CANAL HOUSE INN – PIFFARD, NY**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Dennis Fries	President	West Irondequoit CSD
Phil Langton*	President Elect	Spencerport CSD
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Diane Murphy	At Large Rep	East HS
Kim Henshaw	Girls PE Rep	Greece CSD
Joe Sposato*	Boys PE Rep	Waterloo CSD
Ted Woods	Treasurer	North Rose, NY
Ed Stores	Executive Director	Attica, NY

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**Allegany**

Dan McCarthy*	CSO Rep	Belfast CSD
Kevin Curran*	HSP Rep	Scio CSD
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Ron Sweeney*	Boys Rep	Fillmore CSD

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Ed Cavalier	CSO Rep	East HS
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**Finger Lakes**

Bob Christmann	CSO Rep	Newark CSD
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Fred Ciaburri*	Girls Rep	Pal-Mac CSD
Joe Sposato* (R. Moore)	Boys Rep	Waterloo CSD

**Genesee Region**

Robert Smith*	CSO Rep	Elba CSD
Bill Burns	HSP Rep	Batavia, NY
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Dennis Leyden	Boys Rep	Attica CSD

**Livingston County**

Joe Backer	CSO Rep	Letchworth CSD
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Steve Giolmo	Girls Rep	Perry CSD
Brian Moran*	Boys Rep	Leroy CSD

**Monroe County**

William Dadey	CSO Rep	Gates-Chili CSD
John Walker*	HSP Rep	Webster CSD
Kim Henshaw	Girls Rep	Greece Olympia CSD
Sam Utter	Boys Rep	Gates-Chili CSD

**Private-Parochial**

Pat Hanley*	CSO Rep	Aquinas Institute
Dick Cerone	HSP Rep	Aquinas Institute
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**Rochester League**

Neil Zwierlein	CSO Rep	Rochester City SD
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**Steuben County**

Doug Burnside*	CSO Rep	Avoca CSD
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Dennis O'Brien	Boys Rep	Alfred-Almond CSD

**Wayne County**

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Lori Delyser*	Girls Rep	Marion CSD
Jim Newby*	Boys Rep	Williamson CSD

**Independent**

David Stein	CSO Rep	North Star Academy
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\* denotes absence

**Dennis Fries** opened the meeting by introducing Past Presidents Paul Fauth, John Carbaugh, Jim Dollard and Ted Bondi.

Roll call was taken by **Ed Stores**. (Attendance reported above).

Dennis introduced Nina VanErk, Executive Director of NYSPHSAA, who spoke to the group about initiatives at the State level. High points of the report included fingerprinting of sports officials, some changes in State Championships for 2002, Action on Target training, future classification numbers and a change to the Championship philosophy that calls for a two year moratorium on changes.

**Dennis Fries** reviewed the actions of the Executive Committee at the November 14, 2001 afternoon meeting. Among those were:

1. Combined teams for Franklin and Marshall in wrestling, East Rochester and Penfield in boys and girls bowling, Odyssey and Athena in wrestling and Webster Thomas and Webster Schroeder in wrestling. These were approved by the Council.
2. A letter from a parent who may be affiliated with the Jr, Rhinos regarding high school sports and the integrity of some coaches. Ed Stores will contact the Rhinos to see about this possible affiliation and the tone of the letter.
3. Further clarification of the transfer rule for 2001-2002. All of the implications for the interpretation of Commissioner' R&R 135.4 were discussed. Questions regarding semester start dates, when practice can begin and transfers after the first fifteen days were discussed.
4. The Section V lightning policy was deferred to the next meeting.
5. Information on approved Teams of One for Scio (skiing), Elba (swimming), Leroy (swimming) and Elba (wrestling) was shared.
6. The officials contract presently being negotiated is nearing conclusion. Rod Verkey is putting together a final draft which will be discussed by the Executive Committee.
7. A committee was formed (K. Smith, T. Woods, J. Meyer, D. Fries, and E. Stores) to study the feasibility of having an Awards' Celebration, possibly a dinner, to recognize various award winners in Section V. Like: Harvey Anderson winners, school sportsmanship winners, etc.
8. Beginning with our January 17, 2002 meeting, Section V will expect that all Council members will abide by the NYSPHSAA 'Action on Target' request to not use Alcohol before or during business meetings. Alcoholic beverages will not be allowed in the meeting room. Thanks for your support.

**Ed Stores** reported that the mileage committee had met. Six members of the Athletic council and one past president serve on this committee. Several issues were discussed. The next meeting will involve various sport coordinators who have dealt with issues surrounding mileage in the past.

The Athletic Council will have as part of its agenda reports from the leagues. It is hoped that this will enhance our meetings and give everyone an opportunity to share issues. It will also give leagues a chance to report out on various issues being discussed by the Council.

Several sport coordinators were in attendance. Walt Dyer reported on the success of the State Tournament last year. Paula Summit reported to the Executive Committee that gymnastics has a problem with officiating differences between boys and girls events. Mike Wright, softball, sent in a written report. He will be present at the next meeting to discuss the report.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Next Council meeting: Canal House Inn, Piffard; Wednesday, January 17, 2002