

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2007
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12:00 PM

Members Present: Joe Sposato, Dave Green, Rick Amundson, Kathy Hoyt, Rod Verkey, Sandy Cutter, Joe Backer, Kathy Smith, Jim Simmons, Jackie Meyer and Ed Stores

The following action items were approved:

The minutes of the January 10, 2007 meeting were approved.

Senior All-Star games for The GR League in baseball on 6/7/07, the FLAA in girls basketball on 3/21/07 and the LCAA in boys and girls basketball on 3/23/07 were approved.

Combined teams applications for Monroe and Edison in boys tennis for 2007; School w/o Walls and East in boys tennis, track and field, baseball, golf and softball for 2007; Nathaniel Rochester and Jefferson in softball and track and field for 2007; and Nathaniel Rochester, Franklin and Jefferson in baseball for 2007 were all approved.

A request to withdraw a move-up request in lacrosse from Webster Thomas was approved

Discussion Items:

A letter from Gary Mix, Superintendent of Schools at Pembroke CSD and member of the statewide Structure and Policy Review Committee was discussed. The letter outlined a discussion he had with Ed Stores regarding the work of the committee. The committee is involved with many aspects of the operation of the State organization including but not limited to the decision making process used by the State, non public school issues and the sports seasons as they presently exist. There was concern that the issues being discussed at the committee meetings are too broad and too numerous to bring about any immediate and meaningful change.

Gary Mix also sent a letter requesting Section V to hold a sectional event for girl swimmers following the conclusion of the boys swim season. He indicated that there might be several schools interested in the same format. In the discussion, Ed Stores indicated that to date only one other school had responded to a letter sent to these other schools and that school was not in favor of the idea. A letter is to be sent to Gary Mix indicating that is no support for this proposal.

Kathy Smith attended the January State meeting and reported on actions taken by the State Executive Committee. Ski meets were reduced from 6 to 3 for eligibility in sectional, a Section XI issue regarding the eligibility of a wrestler was discussed, Officials fees and policies were postponed to the May meeting, and enrollment numbers were approved for classification purposes.

There was much discussion on a situation arising out of Section XI where the eligibility of a wrestler was reinstated by that Section's eligibility appeals committee when there was a clear violation of a Sport Standard found in our handbook. The issue really came down to the fact that the State Association could not force the Section to abide by the rule. There were questions about the State's ability to enforce any rules given this situation.

Section tee-shirt sales were discussed. Income from tee shirt sales has fallen off and there is a concern for the accountability the section is responsible for in terms of production, sales and profit. A committee was formed to develop a standard process for all coordinators to follow. In the meantime, all coordinators will be notified by the Executive Committee that they are to enter into no contacts for the 07-08 school year.

A discussion regarding problems being encountered by the voting process of the non-public classification committee was discussed. Brian Moran, chair of the committee will be going to the NYSPHSAA office in Albany in April to meet with the other section chairs and Nina VanErk to discuss issues relating to their mission.

Dues and/or fees to be charged to member school for 2007-2008 were discussed. A fact sheet was prepared outlining existing costs and revenues. It was distributed to the Executive Committee for review. The recommendations of the finance committee were reviewed. It was decided to support the finance committee recommendations at the Athletic Council meeting in March. Ed Stores will contact all leagues with the proposal so that they can discuss it prior to the AC meeting. The recommendation is \$600 per district and \$10 per varsity sport.

Dave Green reported that since financial matters with PAETEC Park have been resolved, a meeting with officials from SMG and PATEC will be set up. They are interested in live digital broadcasts from these two sites.

A member school involved in litigation with the Section over their classification offered a settlement proposal in a letter to the Section. As this was unsolicited, Ed Stores informed the school that the Section was not interested in the proposal.

Dave Green will finalize arrangements for a referendum altering the Executive Director job description found in the Constitution. This ballot will be sent out in April.

The BEDS numbers used for classifications are now official and are found on the Section V web site.

SPORT COORDINATOR REPORTS

Victor Van Vliet, girls soccer coordinator gave his post season report. There were no action items. He is using arbiter to avoid officiating problems that occurred last season. He reported that there has been an outstanding response to the web site.

Jim Burke, baseball coordinator, gave his pre-season report. He asked about the status of the Private-Parochial league as it relates to baseball. There were no action items presented.

Josh Norcross and Dylan Bronson, boys golf coordinators, gave their preseason report. There were no action items. They indicated that they were looking at a proposal for 2009 that would increase the number of classes for the team tournament. Further study is needed.

Gary Pollock, boys soccer coordinator, gave his post season report. He asked to continue the experiment of two-45 minute halves and two-15 minute sudden victory overtimes prior to a shoot-out. This was approved.

Bob Huber, reporting for Mike Wright, softball coordinator, reported that they are interested in the state tournament and are exploring sites. There were no action items.

The Executive Committee heard an appeal of a transfer denial for a member school. The athletic director represented the school and reviewed the facts in the case. The decision of the Executive Director in this matter was upheld. The school will be notified.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00PM

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