

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & ATHLETIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
DiPacific's Restaurant (EC) & Burgundy Basin (AC)
January 9 and January 16, 2008

Members Present:

Executive Committee – Joe Sposato, Dave Green, Rick Amundson, Jim Zumbo, Joe Backer, Kathy Smith, Kim Henshaw, Sandy Cutter, Kathy Hoyt, Rod Verkey, Jim Simmons, Ted Woods, Jackie Meyer, Ed Stores

Athletic Council – Allegany County – Mike O’Buhanich: City Catholic/Rochester League – David Boundy, Cornelius Zwierlein, David Michelson, Kathy Boughton: Finger Lakes – Mike Miday, Rick Bley, Mark Blankenberg, George Tortolon: Genesee Region – Dennis Leyden, Dick Young: Livingston County – Brian Moran, Matt Wilkins, Craig Veley: Monroe County – Scott Reinhart, Dennis Fries, Kim Henshaw: Private-Parochial – Rob Johnson, Chris Belmont, Ralph Dewey: Steuben County – Dennis O’Brien: Wayne County – Marilyn Barr, Kathy Gurak, Matt Harvey, Mark Michelle

Sport Coordinators – Dick Cerone, Football

Past Presidents – Ted Bondi, Kathy Smith, Paul Fauth, Rick Amundson, Pete Schreiber, Dennis Fries, Ed Stores,

Guests – Lloyd Mott, Assistant. Executive Director of NYSPHSAA

Operation Offense – Dennis Fries, Rick Amundson, Ed Stores

Sportsmanship – David Boundy

Action Items:

The Executive recommended and the Athletic Council approved the following action items: The **minutes** of the November 14, 2007 meeting were approved. **Combined teams applications** for Monroe and Edison (boys swimming) ; East and School w/o Walls (girls basketball); Greece Athena and Odyssey (gymnastics, boys and girls track, boys and girls lacrosse, wrestling, girls swimming for 2008-2009); Greece Olympia and Arcadia (boys and girls swimming, gymnastics, boys and girls lacrosse for 2008-2009); Greece Odyssey, Arcadia, Olympia and Athena (girls golf for 2008-2009); Hornell and St. Ann’s modified only (baseball, softball, boys basketball, boys and girls track); Livonia and Nazareth (bowling) were approved. **Senior All-Star games** for Finger Lakes girls basketball on March 19, 2008 (pending completed paperwork); Allegany and Steuben Counties in boys and girls basketball on March 7, 2008; and LCAA in boys and girls basketball on March 14, 2008 (pending completed paperwork) were approved to be sent on to NYSPHSAA. Hillside Children’s Center – Romulus Center was approved for **Friends and Neighbor** Status. Aquinas Institute was approved to **move-up** in class for football (Class A), girls soccer (Class AA) and boys lacrosse (Class B).

NYSPHSAA Report

Lloyd Mott, Assistant Executive Director of NYSPHSAA, spoke to the Executive Committee at the Jan. 9, 2008 meeting concerning several topics. Among these were upcoming Concussion Management workshops, baseball clinics, and the upcoming Citizenship Through Athletics Instructors Certification Course. Brochures on all these are being sent to all Athletic Directors. He informed the Executive Council that a proposed mandate for Sportsmanship initiatives was tabled at the last State meeting.

Section V Nominating Process – Rick Amundson addressed the Athletic Council on the upcoming positions open on the Executive Committee. He encourages nominations for these positions and gave the time table for nominations and the referendum.

Classification Committee Proposal

The proposed Classification Policy was discussed. While there some editorial changes included in the final draft, the only major change involved using multiples of 18 for class divisions. The old policy allowed a split at 17 for AA schools. The new policy allows for 1 class to be from 4-17 schools and the 18-34 schools for 2 classes and for 35-51 schools for 3 classes. This was approved by the Athletic Council. There 3 no votes cast by the membership.

Operation Offense – Dennis Fries discussed an upcoming training with John Underwood so that Section V will have its own trainers for the “Life of an Athlete Program. He was pleased with the number of trainees for this program.

Officials Negotiations

Rod Verkey summarized official’s negotiations to date. The bulk of the work is done. Leagues are to discuss the proposed agreement at their next meeting. A synopsis of **the new proposed agreement** will be sent to all schools for a vote at a later date.

Executive Director’s Report:

Ed Stores presented a report detailing a recent and ongoing issue concerning a Section V wrestler who was declared ineligible for cheating on his weight assessment. He spoke to a Track and Field proposal adding another D2 competitor to the State team. Approval of the proposal required Council action. The Council voted to allow Section V reps at the upcoming State meeting to vote in favor of the proposal. There was one no vote. Scholar/Athlete State winners for the fall season were announced. The Bishop Kearney football issue was addressed and it appears that Bishop Kearney will have a schedule for next season. The 2008-2009 BEDS numbers are to be approved at the Feb. 1, 2008 State meeting.

Treasurers Report:

Jackie Meyer distributed a report detailing present balances along with an up to date accounting for the fall of 2007 season. She will make the same report to the Finance Committee. It appears certain that the recommendation to continue dues for one more year will be necessary. The dues structure would be the same as this year.

Non-Public School Classification Committee

Brian Moran, Chair of the Non-Public School Classification Committee, addressed the Council regarding how decisions are made by the committee. He spoke of several criteria that are used. There were concerns expressed by the leagues regarding the process. Brian will work to improve communications with all leagues to bring about a better understanding of the process.

Sportsmanship Committee Report

David Boundy, Sportsmanship Committee Chair, spoke to the issue of a formal budget given that the State may mandate sportsmanship initiatives. He provided a handout outlining expenses and possible revenues including funding from Section V. He showed a DVD of highlights from Channel 10 (Rochester) coverage of the Committee's work. There was discussion about merging with Operation Offense. Dave will meet with Operation Offense directors to discuss this possibility.

Information Items

Teams of One Approvals

Geneseo (Dansville) in indoor track; Caledonia-Mumford (York) in boys swimming; Bloomfield (Pittsford) in Alpine Skiing; Notre Dame (Batavia) in Alpine Skiing

Sport Coordinator Reports

Dick Cerone informed the Council that he had been in touch with Catholic schools in Section VI and Section III regarding filling in Bishop Kearney's football schedule. He also has lined up one block with a Section V school. It appears that BK will have a schedule for the fall of 2008.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32PM