

**MID HUDSON ATHLETIC LEAGUE
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP
Wednesday May 19,2021 - 9:30AM
Zoom Meeting
minutes**

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING-motion to approve by Tom Cassata, second by Jonnah O'Donnell
2. SECTION REPORT-MR. GREG RANSOM/ MR.JAMES OSBORNE-There are no changes to the current mask policy. NYSPHSAA is working to see the policy relaxed but to date has had no success. We are governed by the NYSDOH and they have not changed the mask policy in regards to school environments.
3. Greg reported the items discussed and approved at the May Executive Committee meeting earlier this month. These items are in your meeting materials (see our website Section9Sports.org)
4. Selection of volleyball officials process-approved
5. Boys and girls tennis lineup process for regionals and state championship proposal-approved
6. Revising TASC language policy in handbook (bona fide) student-approved
7. School based official proposal-approved
8. New application process for Friends and Neighbors-approved
9. The MHAL will not entertain overtime in modified field hockey
10. There is interest in Friends and Neighbors in Section 9 has been expressed by the Homestead School. More information will be provided at a later date.
11. Jim Osborne presented a potential sponsorship agreement with Sun Common
12. PRESIDENT'S REPORT- MR. TOM CASSATA-Football coaches preseason meeting will be announced. It may be in August. If you wish to play a game during zero week instead of a scrimmage....you must schedule your own contest. A zero week game WILL NOT count for sectional seeding.
Everyone is struggling with enforcement of the mask policy. Coaches and officials must be encouraged to incorporate "mask breaks" frequently as the weather heats up.

4. REGIONAL OFFICE REPORT.- MR. CHRIS MAYO- Awards for scholar athletes should be ready for distribution the first week of June.
Anyone with college commitment news must share it with Amanda York by **Friday, May 21st.**
Districts that have coaches in need of CPR and AED must contact Amanda.

5. ATHLETIC COORDINATOR'S REPORT- MR. DENNIS BURKETT

Please access meeting materials

Prior to meeting on our website

A. Section Tennis Chair-

B. Field Hockey/JV or 7,8,9 modified-**Inform Dennis which levels you plan to offer by Friday.**

D. League Field Hockey Chair-**Rob Scott was appointed MHAL Field Hockey Chair by unanimous vote.**

E. By Law Changes- **All sport chairs are to review the league bylaws and submit proposed changes to Dennis Burkett by 6/7/21.**

F. **All sport chairs are required to submit the dates for all MHAL Playoff contests 21-22. Please get these to Dennis ASAP.**

G. **We will be selecting venues for all our championships at the June meeting. All suggestions will be entertained and voted on.**

6. Combining of Teams- Mr. Kermit Moyer- **All recommended combining of team requests were approved**

7. Modified Report- Mr. Greg Warren-**no new information**

8. OLD BUSINESS- **Extensive discussion about 4 division sports and MHAL bylaws governing them. Dennis explained that divisions are based on enrollment, not classification.**

Steve Bouchet presented a spreadsheet that is being considered by the NYSPHSAA Classification Committee. While classification numbers in soccer, basketball, softball, baseball etc. are frozen for 21-22. We can expect significant changes after next school year. Many ideas are being considered, including a 6 classification model.

9. NEW BUSINESS -**If you are certain that you will not support girls jv soccer in the fall please email the Regional Office to drop you from the schedule. Please copy Dennis Burkett on the email. We will then compile a list of open dates and help the schools that will be supporting JV Girls Soccer with more contests.**

10. MOTION TO ADJOURN-motion by Frank Alfonso, second by Jonnah O'Donnell **Motion carried.**

NEXT SECTION MEETING :6/16/21 9:30am

NEXT MHAL MEETING : 6/8/21 9:30am

**Respectfully submitted,
Dennis Burkett**