

**ORANGE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION  
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP**



**Tuesday, June 7, 2022 - 9:30 am**

Hybrid:

Orange Ulster Emanuel Axelrod Education Auditorium and Zoom

**Meeting Minutes**

All members present except: Ms. Jen Simmons, Cornwall

Guests Present: Mr. Dennis Burkett, MHAL Coordinator (virtual)  
Mr. Greg Ransom, Section IX Executive Director  
Ms. Linda Trapani, Section IX Treasurer  
Mr. Jared Kahmar, Greenwood Lake Associate Member (virtual)

The OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop was called to order at 9:34 am via Zoom and in-person.

1. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting (May 17, 2022)  
*Motion to approve minutes made by Ms. Sue Lenzian (Fallsburg) and seconded by Ms. Debbi Crowe (Highland Falls/O'Neill). All in favor. Motion carried.*
2. Gary Ayd – Cave Talk Radio  
Mr. Ayd shared a PowerPoint presentation regarding sports coverage, which was emailed to you for review. He can be reached via contact information provided in the materials.
3. NYSPHSAA / Section IX Information – Mr. Greg Ransom and Ms. Linda Trapani
  - a. Covid Seeding Guidelines  
After three (3) full seasons, Mr. Ransom presented dropping these guidelines.  
*Motion to approve made by Mr. David Coates (Middletown) and seconded by Mr. Jason Semo (Washingtonville). All in favor. Motion carried.*
  - b. Mr. Coates announced the Football Committee is currently reviewing the make-up game guidelines and they will be shared in the near future.
  - c. If you are planning to play Golf at the next Section IX meeting on June 15, please let Mr. Jim Osborne know immediately.
  - d. Ms. Trapani reminded all that Sports Dues forms are due by Friday, June 24, 2022.
4. OCIAA President's Report – Mr. Michael Bellarosa
  - a. Year End Remarks

- i. Mr. Bellarosa thanked the Regional Office for a job well done this year. Great job on the Breakfast! Mr. Greg Sirico (Warwick) was commended for a great job as this year's emcee.
  - ii. Mr. Bellarosa thanked Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo), expressing that he has been a great friend and mentor, as well as being a big part in making Section IX one of the best in the State.
  - iii. Mr. Chris Mayo thanked Mr. Bellarosa for his leadership and guidance, the Regional Office staff for all their hard work, and all the Athletic Directors for their hard work and a great year.
  - iv. Mr. Mayo also congratulated the seven (7) teams advancing to the State Championships and wished them each the best of luck!
  
- 5. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator's Report – Mr. Christopher P. Mayo  
Items of Concern:
  - a. Spring 2022-2023 Schedules Discussion  
Please review the alignments and let Mr. Mayo know if you see any issues. The Spring Schedules will be voted on at the next meeting in August 2022.
  - b. Summer Coaching Courses – Theory & Techniques, CPR/AED, First Aid
    - i. Mr. Semo (Washingtonville) will be releasing the dates for the Theory & Techniques course shortly. It will be hybrid and held this summer. Registration information will be included when we notify you with the course dates.
    - ii. Ms. Amanda York has CPR/AED and First Aid courses scheduled through this Fall. Please review the dates provided in your materials. Your coaches can register directly with Ms. York at [Amanda.york@ouboces.org](mailto:Amanda.york@ouboces.org).
  
- 6. Fall Rules Interpretations Meetings  
Some may want in-person meetings, so we need to find a school that will allow us to host. A hybrid model may be best for future meetings.
  
- 7. Scholar Athlete Discussion
  - i. Mr. Mayo thanked Mr. Sirico (Warwick) and Ms. Lenzian (Fallsburg) for their excellence at the Breakfast.
  - ii. Mr. Lou Cioffi (Goshen) shared that this year's Tyler Muise Award winner, *Nate the Great*, "felt like Tom Brady," for the way he was treated. Nate's parents were so grateful for his recognition.
  - iii. Mr. Mayo congratulated Ms. Lori Hock and Monroe-Woodbury as this year's Community Service Challenge Award winner.
  
- 8. Combining of Teams – Mr. Tim Bult

<u>SPORT</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>HOST SCHOOL</u>	<u>COMB SCHOOL #1</u>	<u>RECO</u>	<u>RATIONALE</u>	<u>IS #</u>	<u>Year</u>
Football	Modified	Red Hook	Germantown	Yes	Gtown Mod - 9	Team	Fall 2022
Football	Varsity	Red Hook	Germantown	Yes	Gtown Var - 6	Team	Fall 2022
Football - 8 man	Mod & Var	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM Mod-9/ Ros V-5	Team	Fall 2022
Girls Soccer	Varsity	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM - 13	Team	Fall 2022

Girls Soccer	Modified	Roscoe	Liv. Manor	Yes	LM- 7	Team	Fall 2022
Cross-Country	Boys' Varsity	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-2	Ind.	Fall 2022
Cross-Country	Girls' Varsity	Liv. Manor	Roscoe	Yes	LM-2	Ind.	Fall 2022

OCIAA Approve	6/7/2022
MHAL Approve	6/8/2022
S9 Approval	6/15/2022

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6/7/22

*Motion to approve made by Mr. Tim Bult (Minisink) and seconded by Mr. Adam Larson (Livingston Manor). All in favor. Motion carried.*

#### 9. Discussion / Mentoring Topic – End-of-Year Process for Athletic Directors

- a. Family ID ~ Mr. Semo (Washingtonville) and Mr. Mike Gillespie (Pine Bush) discussed prepping this program for next school year. Mr. Gillespie said they have students sign up with the “intent to play,” which allows time for review and makes it easier to follow up and send the link for actual registration.
- b. Google Classroom ~ Ms. Hock (Monroe-Woodbury) discussed this allowing her coaches access to the students interested in participating and giving a platform to provide the necessary details for each sport.
- c. Evaluations ~ Mr. Rich Silverstein (Kingston) shared that he has end-of-year evaluations with Security, support staff, etc., to better prep for next year. They discuss things such as what they’ve done right and things that need to be introduced or improved.
- d. Ordering ~ Ms. Lendian (Fallsburg) suggested taking the opportunity to stockpile some common items, such as mouthpieces, socks, etc.
- e. Varsity Classics ~ Ms. Hock (Monroe-Woodbury) shared the idea that they have their senior athletes get together for about an hour or two to play games, such as pickleball, then present about six (6) awards, along with each of the athletes’ certificates.

#### 10. Old Business

- a. Ms. Crowe (Highland Falls/O’Neill) is stepping down as Athletic Director and returning to the classroom and staying on staff as a teacher. She will join us for a meeting next year to celebrate her time and contributions as an Athletic Director.
- b. Mr. Landro (Tuxedo) is retiring at the end of this month. Mr. Mayo honored him with a gift from the Athletic Directors and said there are no words to describe his friendship, mentorship, loyalty, and how important it is to John to always do what is best for kids.
- c. Mr. Landro (Tuxedo) thanked everyone for their support throughout his time as Athletic Director.

#### 11. New Business

Mr. Dan Morse will keep everyone posted (a.-d.):

- a. West Point is currently considering that our Indoor Track events return to their facility in the future. Mr. Dan Morse will keep everyone posted.
  - b. State Qualifier will be held at The Armory. We are currently awaiting information from Ocean Breeze.
  - c. rSchoolToday ~ Virtual training will be set up mid-August after several updates are made to the system in July. The Facility Scheduler option was highly recommended by Ms. Hock (Monroe-Woodbury) and Mr. Semo (Washingtonville).
  - d. Scores ~ We will resend how to enter scores pre-season as a refresher for coaches. Coaches are always welcome to call our office, if they have any questions or concerns.
  - e. Mr. John Giametta (Beacon) thanked everyone for welcoming them into Section IX this year. He said it has been a great experience.
  - f. Swimming Pools
    - i. Kingston pool repairs are two (2) months behind, so Mr. Silverstein does not expect they can host in the upcoming Fall season.
    - ii. Monroe-Woodbury is hoping their pool is ready by mid-August
    - iii. Pine Bush pool is empty right now but hopes it will be up and running for the Fall season.
  - g. Transportation ~ Let us know if you anticipate any additional issues due to the cost of fuel for your buses.
  - h. Mr. Mayo acknowledged that being an Athletic Director is a thankless job at times and thanked everyone for working so hard and giving our students great opportunities.
12. Next Athletic Directors Workshop – Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at 9:30 am at Orange-Ulster BOCES – Carl Onken Conference Center Rooms B/C
13. Section IX Meeting June 15, 2022
14. Adjourn  
*Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Landro (Tuxedo) and seconded by Ms. Crowe (Highland Falls/O'Neill). All in favor. Motion carried.*