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**Tuesday, April 18, 2023 - 9:30 AM**

**MINUTES**

All members present.

Guests Present:

Mr. Dennis Burkett, MHAL Coordinator  
Mr. Greg Ransom, Section IX Executive Director  
Mr. James Osborne, Section IX Secretary  
Ms. Linda Trapani, Section IX Treasurer  
Mr. George Frazier, After the Sweat Dries  
Mr. Dante Briggins, After the Sweat Dries

The OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop was called to order at 9:38 am.

1. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting (March 21, 2023)  
*Motion to approve minutes made by Mr. Ryan Jasper (Monticello) and seconded by Mr. JJ Gass (Port Jervis). All in favor. Motion carried.*
2. Presentation by Mr. George Frazier – **After the Sweat Dries**  
Mr. Frazier was assisted by Mr. Dante Briggins in presenting some video clips regarding this program. Mr. Frazier shared his personal story and briefly explained the workshop modules available. He expressed the importance of tailoring any of these 10 modules to your specific needs as a school district. Contact information will be forwarded to all Athletic Directors via email.
3. Section IX Executive Director's Report – Mr. Greg Ransom  
After a discussion at the Section IX meeting, Mr. Ransom suggested having League volunteers come together and form a Boys Volleyball Committee.
4. OCIAA President's Report – Mr. Mike Bellarosa
  - a. Executive Committee Positions  
Athletic Director Representative positions are up for renewal:  
Mr. David Coates (Middletown) and Mr. Jason Closs (Tri-Valley).  
*Motion to approve made by Mr. Greg Sirico (Warwick) and seconded by Mr. Tim Bult (Minisink). All in favor. Motion carried.*
  - b. Seeding Proposal  
This proposal was approved via email votes.

- c. Mount Academy  
The classification for Mount Academy has been approved by the Athletic Council via email votes.
  - d. Presentation  
This morning’s presentation, **After the Sweat Dries**, is worthy of looking into for purposes of mental health and other challenges that athletes may face.
5. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator’s Report – Mr. Christopher P. Mayo  
Items of Concern:
- a. OCIAA Scholar Athlete Awards/Tyler Muise MVP Award – June 1, 2023
    - i. Biographical sketches and photos are due this Friday, April 21
    - ii. Reservation forms are included in your materials and are due by May 12.
    - iii. One application for the Tyler Muise Award has been received thus far. The application deadline is May 2.
  - b. Winter Schedules 2023-2024 – Discussion
    - i. Schedules will be released and voted on at the next meeting. Please be sure to review and contact us with any issues **before** the next meeting.
    - ii. Class AAA will need about seven (7) games outside their league/classification.
    - iii. The Girls Wrestling schedule is a work in progress.
  - c. Section IX Dues Form  
Please complete this form and return to Ms. Linda Trapani by or before Friday, June 23.
  - d. Spring Championship Dates  
This was included in the materials. Updates and changes for Girls Lacrosse and Girls Flag Football were shared. If you see any additional issues, please contact our office. Updated forms will be emailed shortly.
  - e. Section IX Football – Mr. David Coates  
The Committee will be on April 26 to finalize the Championship sites and handbook for the Section IX Athletic Council’s review.
  - f. 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	Varsity	Millbrook	Webutuck	Yes		team	Fall 2023
Football	Modified	Millbrook	Webutuck	Yes		team	Fall 2023
Soccer	Varsity	Webutuck	Millbrook	Yes	Move to Class B	team	Fall 2023
			OCIAA Approve	4/18/2023			
			MHAL Approve	3/22/2023			
			S9 Approve	5/9/2023???			
Football	Varsity	Chester	Seward	Yes	Seward - 5	Team	Fall 2023
Football	Modified A	Chester	Seward	Yes	Seward - 6	Team	Fall 2023
			OCIAA Approve	4/18/2023	Var-Move from D to C		
			MHAL Approve	4/19/2023???			
			S9 Approve	5/9/2023???			

*Motion to approve made by Mr. Bult (Minisink) and seconded by Mr. Jason Semo (Cornwall). All in favor. Motion carried.*

6. Discussion Topic: Scheduling Priorities  
League/Conference/Crossover games must be the priority in making up games. Do not push these games to the end of the season because it can become an issue with the Seed Meeting. Move Non-League for League games whenever possible. Please continue to work and cooperate with each other.
7. Old Business  
None to report.
8. New Business
  - a. Mr. Dan Morse shared some feedback from the past weekend's Track meet about the value of Fulton Accurate Timing versus other timing systems currently available.
  - b. Mr. Rich Silverstein (Kingston) would like to have a request submitted to the Athletic Council regarding the selection process for post-season sites for all sports, similar to the process that Football already has in place. Mr. Coates (Middletown) offered to share the Football bid form as a template for other sports. Mr. Morse will put together an RFP (request for proposal).
  - c. Mr. Kurt Buddenhagen (Sullivan West) reminded all to submit Tennis scores into UTR.
  - d. OCIAA Chairpeople are needed and will be discussed at the next meeting. If you are not already a Chairperson, please consider requesting one of the available positions. If there are no volunteers, someone will be appointed.
9. Next Athletic Directors Workshop – **Monday, May 15, 2023**, at 9:30 am, Orange-Ulster BOCES, Carl Onken Conference Center, Room B/C
10. Section IX Meeting – Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at 9:30 am, Zoom Meeting
11. Adjourn  
*Motion to approve minutes made by Mr. Mike Gillespie (Pine Bush) and seconded by Ms. Sue Lenzian (Washingtonville). All in favor. Motion carried.*