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Tuesday, June 6, 2023 - 9:30 AM

MINUTES

All members present except: Mr. Bill Spanjer, Jr., Chapel Field
 Mr. George St. Lawrence, Goshen
 Ms. Michelle Ahart-Bosland, Homestead
 Mr. Christian Hodge, Newburgh

Guests Present: Mr. James Osborne, Section IX Secretary
 Ms. Deb Crowe, Highland Falls

The OCIAA Athletic Directors Workshop was called to order at 9:40 am.

1. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting (May 15, 2023)
Motion to approve minutes made by Mr. Jason Semo (Cornwall) and seconded by Mr. Ryan Jasper (Monticello). All in favor. Motion carried.
2. Section IX Update – Mr. Jim Osborne
 - a. Section IX Dues forms are due now.
 - b. Golf outing forms are due by Monday, June 12.
 - c. Thank you to the League for your great efforts and another great year!
3. OCIAA President’s Report – Mr. Michael Bellarosa
 - a. Year-End Remarks
“Best league and section in the State of NY” was backed up by Mr. Greg Sirico (Warwick) at the Scholar-Athlete Breakfast, and we certainly do have a lot to be proud of. The Section has come a long way! Enjoy the summer and some downtime with your families now.
4. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator’s Report – Mr. Christopher P. Mayo
Items of Concern:
 - a. Spring 2022-2023 Schedules Discussion
This is included in the meeting materials for your review.

- i. Please let us know if you see any issues, ie, merge, add/drop, etc. Remember, too, it is always easier to take a team out of the schedule versus adding one in after the schedule is completed.
 - ii. Scheduling sheets will be emailed over the summer.
 - iii. Unified Basketball is growing and went very well this year. We currently have 18 teams participating. Our Section is more about participation versus competition.
 - iv. Flag Football was a great success in its first year. Congratulations to Warwick for the win and for being featured on WPIX!
- b. Summer Coaching Courses – Philosophy and Principles, CPR/AED, First Aid
- i. Philosophy and Principles course begins tonight, June 6.
 - ii. Theory & Techniques is the next course to be offered this Fall
 - iii. CPR/AED and First Aid course dates are also included in the meeting materials. Please email Ms. Amanda (York) Zampini to register for any of her upcoming classes and keep in mind that she will be out from mid-August to early November on maternity leave.
 - iv. We will keep you posted if there are other options during Ms. York’s absence, and if anyone has an emergency need to get a coach certified in the fall, please let us know.
- c. Fall Rules Interpretations Meetings
We plan to continue these meetings online and will send you the information as they are scheduled. It is important that both Leagues should be meeting together.
- d. Boys and Girls Tennis By-law Clean-up
The by-laws are included in the meeting materials. Some language in the current by-laws needs to be updated. This information will be sent to you over the summer.
- e. Scholar Athlete Discussion
- i. Mr. Mayo thanked Ms. Margaret Oettinger for organizing many parts of the Breakfast event.
 - ii. Mr. Luke Fedlam was outstanding as the keynote speaker. Thank you to Mr. David Eggleton (Livingston Manor) for recommending Mr. Fedlam.
 - iii. Thank you to Mr. Greg Sirico (Warwick) for doing an excellent job and for bringing a great energy as the emcee of the event.
 - iv. Thank you to Mr. Patrick Rossi for compiling all of the information for the Community Service Challenge.
- f. Combining of Teams – Mr. Tim Bult

2023-24
Combining
of Teams

<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	Red Hook	Germantown	Yes	Germantown - 4	Team	Fall 2023
Football	Modified A	Red Hook	Germantown	Yes	Germantown - 3	Team	Fall 2023
			OCIAA Approve	6/5/2023	<u>Stay Class B</u>		
			MHAL Approve	6/5/2023			
			S9 Approve	6/15/2023			

Motion to approve made by Mr. Bult (Minisink) and seconded by Mr. Michael Doucette (Chester). All in favor. Motion carried.

- g. Spring Sports Champions
Mr. Dan Morse read the champions and recognized SS Seward and Chapel Field for Final Four in Baseball and Softball, wished good luck to the Track & Field participants, and congratulated the Boys & Girls Golf competitors. Special note, Braeden Gelletich from Goshen was the Silver medalist for Boys Tennis.
5. Old Business
None to report.
6. New Business
- a. Ms. Sue Lenzian (Washingtonville) – Cheerleading is looking for a site for Fall Game Day Championships on a Sunday.
 - b. Mr. Dave Coates (Middletown) – Thank you to NFA, Goshen, O’Neill, and Spackenkill for hosting Football Sectionals in 2022-23.
 - c. Mr. Mayo presented Ms. Deb Crowe (Highland Falls/O’Neill) with a gift from OCIAA for her retirement. Mr. Bellarosa and Ms. Lenzian (Washingtonville) shared stories and appreciation.
 - d. Honoring Mr. Rob Gravelle (Florida/Seward) for retirement, a gift from OCIAA was presented to Mr. Joe DiMattina (Florida/Seward).
 - e. Thank you to the Athletic Directors for all their hard work and support throughout the school year.
 - f. The ROIA is always available to assist Athletic Directors and promote our student-athletes.
7. Next Athletic Directors Workshop – Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. at Orange Ulster BOCES – Carl Onken Conference Center Rooms B/C
8. Section IX Meeting June 15, 2023, at Apple Greens – Breakfast at 8 am
9. Adjourn
Motion to approve minutes made by Mr. Mike Gillespie (Pine Bush) and seconded by Mr. Bult (Minisink). All in favor. Motion carried.