

**MID HUDSON ATHLETIC LEAGUE  
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP  
NOVEMBER 13, 2024 - 9:30AM  
DUTCHESS BOCES  
MINUTES**

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - MOTION BY TOM CASSATA  
SECOND BY STEVE BOUCHER. MOTION CARRIED

2. SECTIONAL REPORT - SECTION IX PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 25-26 INCLUDES  
A 1.9% INCREASE IN DUES AND 6% IN EXPENDITURES. - MOTION TO APPROVE  
RAY CASTELLANI SECOND TOM CASSATA. MOTION CARRIED

A 25-26 DUES FORM IS IN YOUR MEETING MATERIALS

- MUCH DISCUSSION ABOUT A 3 REGION CONCEPT FOR REGIONAL  
ROTATIONS
- DENNIS BURKETT IS SERVING ON THE AD HOC COMMITTEE  
ADDRESSING STARTING DATES
- UNIFIED SPORTS WILL LOOK TO ADD BOCCI
- IF INTERESTED IN BOYS FLAG FOOTBALL CONTACT DENNIS OR CHRIS
- FALL SCHOLAR ATHLETE DEADLINE IS 12/9/24
- NYSPHSAA BASE DUES WILL INCREASE \$50 FOR 25-26
- GREG RANSOM EXPLAINED HOW THE BEDS NUMBERS ARE ARRIVED AT
- IN YOUR MEETING MATERIALS ARE 10 ITEMS THAT WILL BE VOTED ON AT  
OUR DECEMBER MEETING. GREG RANSOM EXPLAINED EACH ITEM.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - TOM CASSATA ASKED IF THE SAME REFEREES WILL  
BE DOING BOTH VARSITY AND JV BASKETBALL GAMES THIS SEASON. THIS  
DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE THE CURRENT SITUATION. THE REGIONAL OFFICE  
WILL ADVISE THE HOST AD IF THIS SHOULD BE THE CASE.

4. REGIONAL OFFICE REPORT - MANY MODIFIED BASKETBALL GAMES MAY ONLY  
HAVE ONE OFFICIAL.

5. ATHLETIC COORDINATOR'S REPORT - A STRONG REMINDER TO ALL ATHLETIC DIRECTORS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL: PLEASE HAVE A SAFETY PLAN FOR CONTESTS AT ALL LEVELS THAT INCLUDES THE PROTECTION FOR GAME OFFICIALS. ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT DENNIS.

**Please access meeting materials**

- **SOCCER OVERTIME- CHAIRS WILL BRING A RECOMMENDATION TO OUR NEXT MEETING.**
- **CROSS COUNTRY ENTRIES - ENTRIES HAVE DECLINED**
- **DIVISIONS 25-26- AWAITING SECTION IX CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE DECISIONS**
- **ANYONE WHO HAS INTEREST IN BOYS VOLLEYBALL, PLEASE INFORM CHRIS MAYO SO THAT YOU CAN BE INCLUDED ON A ZOOM MEETING TO DISCUSS DATES AND FORMATS**
- **THE MHAL SUPPORTS A CUTOFF DATE OF MAY (OF PREVIOUS SCHOOL YEAR) FOR CLASSIFICATION NUMBERS.**
- **THE MHAL PERMITS ONLY SIGNS OF "WELCOME" AT OUR INDOOR EVENTS.**

6. COMBINING OF TEAMS- PLEASE BRING ALL SPRING REQUESTS TO THE COMMITTEE ASAP

7. MODIFIED REPORT AND NYSAAA

8. OLD BUSINESS- ALL PROPOSED MERGERS WERE APPROVED, PENDING COMPLETE APPLICATION AND COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.

9. NEW BUSINESS- THE MHAL WILL DISCUSS A PLAN TO PROPOSE STIPENDS FOR SECTION CHAIRS AT OUR NEXT MEETING

10. MOTION TO ADJOURN- BY FRANK ALFONSO, SECOND BY RAY CASTELLANI MOTION CARRIED.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
DENNIS BURKETT

