

**MID HUDSON ATHLETIC LEAGUE  
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP  
MARCH 19,2025 - 9:30AM  
DUTCHESS BOCES  
MINUTES**

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

2.SECTIONAL REPORT -  
VOTING ITEMS:

1. 3 NIGHT'S REST REGIONAL - 2 NIGHT'S PREFERRED
2. AWARD CONSISTENCY AT STATES-YES
3. ELIMINATE REGIONAL RUNNER UP PLAQUE-NO
4. WEEK 21 FOR 8 MAN REGIONALS-YES
5. CHEER GAME DAY SCORING-YES
6. CHEER PRACTICE STANDARD-NO
7. BAN NOISE MAKERS FOR GIRLS LACROSSE- NO (SEEKING A BROAD POLICY IN SECTION AND NYSPHSAA
8. BASEBALL SCRIMMAGE AFTER 6 DAYS-YES
9. TABLE
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11. FALL START DATES-YES
12. SPRING START DATES-YES
13. 3 REGION CONCEPT-YES BUT STRONGLY ENCOURAGE A 2026 IMPLEMENTATION.

3.PRESIDENT'S REPORT- TOM CASSATA- NO REPORT

4. REGIONAL OFFICE REPORT- DOUG STAHL- PLEASE REPORT ALL DROPPED PROGRAMS TO THE REGIONAL OFFICE ASAP. A GOOGLE DOCUMENT WILL BE SENT TO ALL ADs FOR REFERENCE.

5. ATHLETIC COORDINATOR'S REPORT - DENNIS BURKETT  
**Please access meeting materials**

JV FIELD HOCKEY SCHEDULE WILL MIRROR VARSITY SCHEDULE WITH NO START TIMES.

ONLY 6 SCHOOLS INDICATE A POSSIBLE JV PROGRAM AT THIS TIME.

- **TENNIS BYLAW FOR SPRING- ALL LINEUP CHANGES AFTER THE 4TH MATCH MUST BE EMAILED WITH EXPLANATION/RATIONALE TO THE ATHLETIC COORDINATOR UPON PENALTY OF FOREIT.**

**- ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ARE CAUTIONED NOT TO RESCHEDULE GAMES AT THE END OF THE SEASON**

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6. COMBINING OF TEAMS- FRANK ALFONSO- MERGER OF SEWARD AND CHESTER WAS APPROVED FOR VARSITY SOFTBALL

7. MODIFIED REPORT AND NYSAAA - GREG WARREN- THE NYSAAA CONFERENCE WAS A WELL ATTENDED SUCCESS!  
THE STATE MODIFIED COMMITTEE WILL MEET 3/27/25 AND A REPORT WILL FOLLOW

8. OLD BUSINESS- SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT SCHEDULING AND 4 DIVISION PROCESS WAS REVIEWED. MODIFIED SCHEDULING PHILOSOPHY AS WELL AS LEAGUE POLICY OF DIVISIONS CREATED BY ENROLLMENT. SCHOOLS ARE IN NEED OF JV SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL CONTESTS. ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO REFERENCE BYLAWS REGARDING THE PROCESS OF INCLUDING AGE ELIGIBLE 9TH GRADE STUDENTS ON MODIFIED SQUADS.

9. NEW BUSINESS- AN EMAIL WILL BE FORWARDED REGARDING A PROPOSAL FOR BOWLING DIVISIONS.

**AUGUST 18 WILL BE THE START DATE FOR ALL FALL SPORTS IN 2025.**

**MHAL SCHOLAR ATHLETE BREAKFAST 5/29**

10. MOTION TO ADJOURN- FRANK ALFONSO. SECOND GREG WARREN. MOTION CARRIED.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
DENNIS BURKETT

