



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

Tuesday, June 17, 2025- 9:30 AM

MINUTES

All members present except:

Mr. Aaron Hasbrouck, Burke
Mr. Bill Spanjer, Chapel Field
Ms. Michele Ahart-Bosland, Homestead
Mr. Rich Silverstein, Kingston
Mr. Ryan Jasper, Monticello
Mr. Christian Hodge, Newburgh
Mr. Kurt Buddenhagen, Sullivan West

Guests Present:

Mr. Greg Ransom, Section IX Executive Director
Mr. James Osborne, Section IX Secretary
Ms. Linda Trapani, Section IX Treasurer
Mr. Dennis Burkett, MHAL Coordinator
Mr. Christopher Sammons, Girls Swim Chairperson
Mr. Dan Wargo, Boys Swim Chairperson
Mr. Dale Fancis, OU BOCES Assistant Director of Technology
Mr. Evan Fulciniti, OU BOCES Data Privacy Analyst

The meeting began at 9:38 am.

1. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting (May 22, 2025)
Motion to approve minutes made by Mr. Joe DiMattina (Florida), seconded by Ms. Amanda Zgrodek (Eldred). All in favor. Motion carried.
2. Data Privacy Discussion – Mr. Dale Francis/Mr. Evan Fulciniti, Orange Ulster BOCES
Schools should only be using athletic apps or programs that have data privacy agreements in place. Schools should be checking their board policies and speaking with their legal team. NYSPHSAA has sponsorships with many of these companies and should have data privacy agreements in place if they are recommending or requiring schools to use these types of apps. Mr. Francis and Mr. Fulciniti will send information to Mr. Mayo that he can forward to the state. Hopefully NYSPHSAA can get a privacy agreement with these apps.
3. Swimming Proposal – Mr. Christopher Sammons/Mr. Dan Wargo, Swim Chairs
Mr. Sammon and Mr. Wargo gave a presentation explaining the reasoning behind the Swim Proposal. Information was included in the packet they handed out.
Motion to approve made by Mr. Jason Semo (Cornwall), seconded by Mr. Tim Bult (Minisink). All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Section IX Report – Mr. Greg Ransom/Mr. James Osborne
Mr. Osborne reminded schools to submit their sports dues forms if they haven't done so yet.
5. OCIAA President's Report – Mr. Mike Bellarosa/Ms. Suzanne Lenzian

- a. Ms. Lenzian thanked the ROIA for a wonderful Scholar Athlete Breakfast and also thanked Mr. Greg Sirico for a great job as Master of Ceremonies.
- b. West Point Middle School – Application for full Membership in NYSPHSAA
Motion to approve by Mr. Greg Sirico (Warwick), seconded by Mr. JJ Gass (Port Jervis). All in favor. Motion carried.
- c. OCIAA Chairperson needed:
 - Girls Tennis – League
 - Boys Golf – League
 - Cross Country – League
 - Baseball - need League and Section Chair – can be one or both.
 - Bowling (Section IX)
 - Game Day Cheer (Section IX)
 - NYSAAA Representative for Section IX
 - NYSPHSAA Foundation Representative for Section IX

Ms. Amanda Zgroddek has expressed an interest in the position as NYSPHSAA Foundation Representative and Mr. Michael Doucette as Baseball League Chair. Motion to approve made by Mr. Semo (Cornwall), seconded by Mr. David Coates (Middletown). Motion to approve by All in favor. Motion carried.

6. OCIAA Athletic Coordinator’s Report – Mr. Christopher P. Mayo
Mr. Mayo welcomed past Athletic Directors
 - Mr. John Landro (Tuxedo)
 - Mr. John Russo (Warwick)
 - Ms. Roberta Greene (Washingtonville)

Items of Concern:

- a. Spring Schedules 2025-2026
Please review attached schedules and notify Mr. Mayo of any concerns of changes.
We will have a vote in August or September.
- b. Boys Golf Move to Fall
Motion by Mr. Coates (Middletown), seconded by Mr. Mike Doucette (Chester). Roll call taken. 13 in Favor, 6 Opposed, 9 Abstained/Absent. Motion defeated.
- c. Section IX Noise Maker/Sign Policy
Motion to approve by Mr. Doucette (Chester), seconded by Ms. Jennifer Evans (Pine Bush). Roll call taken. 10 in Favor, 10 Opposed, 8 Abstained/Absent. Motion defeated.
- d. Summer Coaching Courses
An email was sent out and course dates were posted online. Please reach out to Amanda Zampini coachingcourses9@gmail.com with questions.
- e. Fall Rules Interpretations Meetings
Please be on the lookout for an email this summer with meeting dates.
Football will be Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at 4:00pm at Middletown.
- f. Combining of Teams – Tim Bult
No new information.
- g. New Arbiter Software Program – Mr. Dan Morse
 - See email about migration to Arbiter this summer.
 - June 22 will be the last day to make changes in rSchool.
 - Migration will start June 23.
 - July 22, 2025 Virtual Training for Athletic Director and Secretaries.
 - Schools will gain access August 4, 2025.
 - Look for an email invitation from Arbiter mid-July. At that point you will be able to view but not edit.
 - Week of first practices will be and in person training.

7. Old Business

- a. Mr. Jason Semo congratulated Mr. David Coates and crew on a job well done hosting the Lacrosse State Championship at Middletown this past weekend.
- b. Mr. Mayo acknowledged Athletic Directors leaving. Good luck to:
Mr. George St. Lawrence – Goshen
Mr. John Giametta – Beacon
- c. Livingston Manor and Roscoe will merge and be known as Rockland Central School District next year.
- d. Mr. Sirico announced the winner of the Athletic Director's Golf Challenge. Congratulations to Rondout Valley.

8. New Business

- a. Mr. Coates presented a Section IX Football Bylaw Addition
If a Section IX football school (8man or 11man) forfeits during the regular season or cannot complete their full game schedule to completion for any unforeseen reason, that school will be placed on a priority order list to receive a bye(s) in their following year's football schedule above schools that have completed their entire football schedule.
Motion to approve by Mr.Semo (Cornwall), seconded by Mr. Giametta (Beacon). All in favor. Motion carried.
- b. Ms. Lenzian spoke about the Student Advisory Council Conference. Please submit ideas or something going on at your school to Suzanne.

9. Next Athletic Directors Workshop – Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. @ Orange Ulster BOCES Carl Onken Conference Center Room B/C

10. Section IX Meeting – Thursday, September 4, 2025, 9:00am at @ Orange Ulster BOCES Carl Onken Conference Center Room B/C NYSPHSAA Mandated workshop Monday September 8, 2025 at 8:30 a.m., @ Otterkill Golf Club

11. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Bult (Minisink) and seconded by Mr.Coates (Middletown). All in favor. Motion carried.