

SECTION XI
NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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CONFERENCE/COUNCIL AGENDA
October 2007

I. **NOTICES**

A. **Meetings**

- Mon, Oct 1 - Safety Committee, 8 am, Bayport-Blue Pt. HS
- Mon, Oct 1 - Executive Board, 4 pm, Section XI Office
- Tue, Oct 2 - Conference I, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Wed, Oct 3 - Conference II, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Thu, Oct 4 - Conference III, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Fri, Oct 5 - Conference IV, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Mon, Oct 8 - Columbus Day, Section XI Office Closed
- Wed, Oct 10 - Athletic Council, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Thu, Oct 11 - Athletic Directors' Meeting, 8:30 am, Holbrook CC
- Wed, Oct 17 - Wrestling Infectious Diseases Workshop, 8:30 am, The Inn at East Wind, Wading River
- Thu, Oct 18 - Girls' Tennis Seeding, 10 am, Section XI Office
- Fri, Oct 26 - B/G Soccer & Field Hockey Seeding, 9 am, Section XI Office
- Mon, Oct 29 - NYSPHSAA Executive Committee Meeting, Albany
- Wed, Oct 31 - Girls' Volleyball Seeding, 9 am, Section XI Office

- B. **Dues and Service Charges** – **Due September 1, 2007!** Still outstanding: Bellport, Brentwood, Half Hollow Hills, Lindenhurst, Riverhead, Ross, Sachem, Shoreham-Wading River, Ward Melville, Westhampton and Wyandanch.

NOTE: Schools not having paid these fees by October 15th will not be considered members. Teams and student-athletes representing these schools will not be eligible for Section competition (regular season and Section/State Tournaments).

- C. **Spring Officials' Fees** – Spring officials/reconciliation fees for 2006-07 are still outstanding from: East Islip, East Moriches, Huntington and Ross.

REMINDER: First payments for 2007-08 officials' fees are due **October 1st**. Please check on the status of these invoices in your district. Thanks!

- D. **Conference Presidents** – Conferences must confirm all representatives to Section committees as well as the Athletic Council.

II. NYSPHSAA ACTION ITEMS

- A. Shall the following change be made to The NYSPHSAA, Inc. Chemical Health Mandate (NYSPHSAA Handbook, Page 121): *"Each section must hold at least one **of the Life of an Athlete Program Workshops** during the school year and attended by representation from each school in their section. The chemical health workshops were mandated in 1990-91. **Failure to meet the mandate will result in exclusion from sectionals the following school year.**"*

Note: This will be on the agenda for the October NYSPHSAA Handbook Committee meeting.

III. SECTION ACTION ITEMS

- A. Policy – The Committee met on Monday, September 24, 2007, at 9 am, at the Section XI Office. In attendance: Chair Lisa Lally (substituting for R. Goldin); Conference I: R. Roche, D. Webster; Conference II: P. Nickerson, W. Shierant; Conference III: J. Tasman; Conference IV: R. Mayo; and E. Cinelli.

The Committee recommends approval of the following:

- 1. Maximum Number of Contests – Shall the following statement be included in Section XI policy (taken from NYSPHSAA Handbook, Page 68, 19. Penalties, 2.c., *"If an individual or team exceeds the maximum number of contests permitted **by Section XI**, the penalty is team ineligibility from the date of violation for the rest of the season."*
- 2. Contest Sites – "Shall the Executive Director, in consultation with the Sports Chair, be allowed to direct schools to switch sites and/or find neutral sites in league or division varsity games during the last week of the regular season."

- B. Modified - The Modified Committee met on Monday, September 24, at 10:00 am, in the Section XI Office. In attendance: Co-Chairs G. McCarthy, D. Robinson; Conference I: G. Beutel, J. Thode; Conference II: W. Shierant, J. Pennacchio; Conference III: J. Tasman, M. DeVincenzo; Conference IV: R. Thorne, G. Ruppert; J. Sexton and E. Cinelli.

Notes:

- 1. The Committee discussed the clarification of the "5-Period Format" regulations. Schools are asked to remind their coaches of the following:
 - Since "regulation" no longer exists and since every team will be obligated to play the A/B format, all schools will be scheduled in their basic geographic devices. The one differentiation that will be made will be for schools requesting two teams, split 7th grade and 8th grade.
 - For teams which on a given date do not have enough athletes to play 5 periods, they will still be obligated to use the A/B format, but may play 4 periods, substituting as necessary but making sure no athlete plays more than 3 periods.
- 2. The Committee discussed the use of a survey form to be used as a "Data Collection Device" regarding the use of two wide receivers in modified football. Schools should begin to collect data in the following areas:

| School | Do You Use A Wide Receiver? | Frequency % | # of Injuries Involving Wide Receiver Downfield Blocking | # of Injuries Involving Wide Receiver & Illegal Crack Back Blocks | Are You In Favor of Using a Second Wide Receiver? |
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The NYSPHSAA will approve the survey form at its fall meeting.

3. J. Sexton presented the 2007-08 Modified Scheduling Calendar.
4. J. Sexton presented drafts of the 2007-08 Early Winter and Late Winter Modified schedules.

C. Placement - The Placement Committee met on Wednesday, September 26, 2007, at 9:00 am, in the Section XI Office. In attendance: Chairman W. Shierant; Conference I: C. Kasman, M. Mensch; Conference II: P. Smith; Conference III: L. Tuorto, R. Panariello; Conference IV: D. Phillips, B. Baker; J. Cranmer, T. Mullins, K. O'Reilly, J. Valente, J. Sexton and E. Cinelli.

The Committee recommends approval of the following:

1. Boys' Lacrosse – 2007/08

| Division I (A) | | Division II | |
|-------------------|------|------------------------|-----|
| Brentwood | 4072 | Kings Park (B) | 989 |
| Middle Country | 2664 | Hauppauge (B) | 966 |
| William Floyd | 2519 | Comsewogue (B) | 926 |
| Longwood | 2446 | Eastport/S Manor (B) | 910 |
| Patchogue-Medford | 2254 | Islip (B) | 879 |
| Ward Melville | 1929 | Huntington (B) | 878 |
| Sachem East | 1910 | Sayville (B) | 851 |
| Lindenhurst | 1845 | Rocky Point (B) | 838 |
| Sachem North | 1766 | Harborfields (B) | 826 |
| Connetquot | 1754 | East Hampton (B) | 810 |
| Commack | 1745 | Westhampton (B) | 727 |
| Northport | 1508 | Shoreham-WR (B) | 652 |
| Bay Shore | 1495 | Mt. Sinai (C) | 649 |
| Walt Whitman | 1418 | Elwood/J Glenn (C) | 592 |
| West Islip | 1355 | Bayport-Blue Point (C) | 536 |
| East Islip | 1345 | Southampton (C) | 482 |
| HH Hills East | 1270 | Babylon (C) | 452 |
| Smithtown East | 1229 | McGann/Mercy (C) | 289 |
| North Babylon | 1215 | | |
| Copiague | 1204 | | |
| West Babylon | 1182 | | |
| Riverhead | 1108 | | |
| Smithtown West | 1087 | | |
| Deer Park | 1085 | | |
| Bellport | 1072 | | |
| HH Hills West | 1028 | | |

(26 schools)

(18 schools)

Play 14 opponents once.

The Placement Committee recommends approving a waiver of the cap of 24 teams to allow Boys' Lacrosse to power rank 26 teams in Division I during the 2007-08 spring season.

NYSPHSAA CLASSIFICATIONS:

- A = 1000+ (26 schools)
- B = 650-999 (12 schools)
- C = 649-below (6 schools)

NUMBER OF TEAMS THAT CAN QUALIFY FOR POST SEASON:

- A = 13
- B = 6
- C = 3

2. Girls' Bowling – 2007/08 (Revision)

| League I | League II |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| East Islip | Longwood |
| Islip | Patchogue-Medford |
| Northport | Middle Country |
| West Islip | Eastport/South Manor |
| Smithtown | Ward Melville |
| West Babylon | Comsewogue |
| Bay Shore | Bellport |
| Sachem North | Sachem East |

The Committee approved moving Sachem North from League II to League I to balance both Leagues.

3. Boys' Tennis – 2007/08

DIVISION I

| League I | League II |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Half Hollow Hills East | Harborfields |
| Commack | Hauppauge |
| Half Hollow Hills West | Elwood/John Glenn |
| Walt Whitman | Smithtown East |
| Huntington | Kings Park |
| Northport | Smithtown West |

DIVISION II

| League III | League IV |
|------------|------------------|
| Islip | Deer Park |
| East Islip | Babylon |
| Bay Shore | Lindenhurst |
| West Islip | West Babylon |
| Connetquot | North Babylon |
| Sayville | Central Islip |
| | Brentwood |

DIVISION III

| League V | League VI |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| Ward Melville | Comsewogue |
| Patchogue-Medford | Stony Brook |
| Sachem East | Mt. Sinai |
| Miller Place | Smithtown Christian |
| Sachem North | Bellport |
| Eastport/South Manor | Port Jefferson |
| Bayport-Blue Point | Middle Country |

DIVISION IV

| League VII | League VIII |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Westhampton | Southampton |
| East Hampton/BH/Pier | Ross |
| Longwood | William Floyd |
| Rocky Point | Southold/Greenport |
| Mattituck | Hampton Bays |
| Shoreham-WR | Riverhead |

The Committee approved moving Brentwood from League II to League IV for geographical reasons.

4. Combining – To make the following edits to the Combined Teams for 2007-08:
- Add: Field Hockey – East Hampton/Springs – B
 - Delete: Girls Soccer – East Hampton/Springs/Montauk - B

- D. Tournament – The Tournament Committee met on Wednesday, September 26, 2007, at 11 am, in the Section XI office. In attendance: Chair W. Shierant; Conference I: T. Combs, G. Beutel; Conference II: M. Calarco, J. Pennacchio; Conference III: no representation; Conference IV: D. Phillips, R. Mayo; C. Delargy, J. Tasman, and E. Cinelli.

The committee recommends approval of the following:

1. Girls' Golf
- a. Section XI Individual Championship (Rule 1) – “Shall the tournament be **36** holes (currently 18) by stroke play rules”.
 - b. Section Team Championship/Division Tournament Qualifications –
 - “Shall teams **with** .500 league records (currently teams with better than .500 league records) qualify”.
 - “Shall the Section XI team champion be the team with the lowest aggregate using the five lowest scores **of both days**”.
 - “Shall the following qualification be added: *‘The top four school teams and ties qualify for the second day of the team championship. Please note that the team players score only counts towards the team score unless she is one of the top 30 golfers from the first day of the competition.’*”

Notes:

1. Baseball – The Committee tabled a proposal from Section XI Baseball Chair, Joe Tasman, which would have provided for a double elimination tournament for higher seeded teams in their classification. The Committee recommends that athletic directors speak with their coaches regarding this proposal. The Tournament Committee will discuss this item at its December 12, 2007, meeting.