

**SECTION XI**  
**NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**  
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**CONFERENCE/COUNCIL AGENDA**  
**January, 2009**

**I. NOTICES**

**A. Meetings & Significant Dates**

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| Dec 19             | - Athletic Directors' Meeting, 8:30 am, Holbrook CC        |
| Fri, Jan 2         | - Deadline for Late Winter Modified Schedule Corrections   |
| Mon, Jan 5         | - Executive Board, 4 pm, Section XI Office                 |
| Tue, Jan 6         | - Conference II, 9 am, Section XI Office (8:30 am coffee)  |
| Wed, Jan 7         | - Conference III, 9 am, Section XI Office (8:30 am coffee) |
| Thu, Jan 8         | - Conference IV, 9 am, Section XI Office (8:30 am coffee)  |
| Fri, Jan 9         | - Conference I, 9 am, Section XI Office (8:30 am coffee)   |
| Mon, Jan 12        | - Football Committee Meeting, 9 am, Section XI Office      |
| Tue, Jan 13        | - Athletic Council, 9 am, Section XI Office                |
| Tue, Jan 13        | - Late Winter Modified Coaches Mtg., 7:30 pm, Sachem North |
| Thu, Jan 15        | - Athletic Directors' Meeting, 8:30 am, Holbrook CC        |
| Fri, Jan 23        | - Phys Ed Directors' Meeting, 8:30 am, Holbrook CC         |
| Mon, Jan 26        | - First Practice, Modified Late Winter Sports              |
| Fri/Sat, Jan 30-31 | - NYSPHSAA Executive Committee, Binghamton                 |
| Sat, Jan 31        | - Next Available Date                                      |
| Mon, Feb 2         | - Deadline for spring schedule corrections – V, JV, JV9    |
| Thu, Feb 5         | - Athletic Directors' Meeting, 8:30 am, Holbrook CC        |
| Sat, Feb 7         | - Next Available Date                                      |
| Tue, Feb 10        | - Policy Committee, 9 am, Section XI Office                |
| Tue, Feb 10        | - Modified Committee, 11 am, Section XI Office             |
| Wed, Feb 11        | - Tournament Committee, 9 am, Section XI Office            |
| Wed, Feb 11        | - Tournament Committee, 11 am, Section XI Office           |
| Thu, Feb 12        | - Basketball Seeding, 9:00 am, Section XI Office           |

**II. INPUT FOR NYSPHSAA DISCUSSION**

- A. Friends and Neighbors – “Shall the Friend and Neighbor Status be eliminated on the high school level.”
- B. Scrimmages – “Shall a scrimmage be redefined to be a practice competition.” The NYSPHSAA staff and Handbook Committee felt that a scrimmage is a simulated contest and should not be considered a practice. The Committee recommends defining a scrimmage as a “practice competition” and striking the reference to “practice session” in the Handbook.
- C. Girls' Lacrosse – “Shall the use of helmets in Girls' Lacrosse be required.”

- D. Boys' Volleyball NYSPHSAA Championship
  - 1. "Shall a Boys' Volleyball NYSPHSAA Championship be established for the fall 2009-10 school year."
  - 2. "If approved, shall Section XI participate in the Boys' Volleyball NYSPHSAA Championship in the fall 2009-10."
- E. Wrestling Regional Proposal – "Shall the NYSPHSAA conduct Regional competition in Wrestling."
- F. Fiscal Concerns – An Ad Hoc Committee has met to consider a moratorium on any changes that would have a fiscal impact on schools, leagues, sections and the NYSPHSAA. A list of items for discussion has been established and will be presented to the Conferences and Athletic Council for discussion. A report will be presented at the January NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting.

### III. SECTION ACTION ITEMS

- A. **Modified** – The Modified Committee met on Tuesday, December 9, 2007, at 11 am, at the Section XI office. In attendance: Co-Chairs G. McCarthy and Dan Robinson; Conference I: G. Beutel, J. Thode; Conference II: P. Smith, J. Pennacchio; Conference III: M. DeVincenzo; Conference IV: G. Ruppert; P. Nickerson and E. Cinelli.
  - 1. Input for NYSPHSAA Modified Committee Meeting
    - a. Football - "Shall the modified football rule be revised to allow two wide receivers." (This was conducted as a pilot during the 2007-08 and 2008-09 modified football seasons.)
    - b. Softball - "Shall a "mercy rule" be established in modified softball with Section/League approval when a team is ahead by 15 runs after 4½ innings."
  - 2. Section XI Modified Program Action Items
    - a. Track and Field - "Shall Section XI participate in the Modified Track and Field pilot program that would increase the height of the hurdle in the 55m modified boys' event from 30 inches to 33 inches."
    - b. Football - "Shall Section XI adjust the minimum number of eligible football players for a game or scrimmage from 18 (currently in Section XI) to 16 (NYSPHSAA rule)." (At the high school level, the Section XI and NYSPHSAA minimum number is 16.)

#### INFORMATION ONLY

- 1. NYSPHSAA Approved Items
  - a. Approved an editorial change in Modified Volleyball Game Rule #6 allowing the use of a Libero player and a waiver of the uniform requirement.
  - b. Approved in Modified Wrestling a two-year pilot program may be implemented with sectional/league approval that allows modified wrestlers who compete in two or three bouts in a contest to wrestle using the time periods for bouts of "Program 2" which is Period 1 (1 minute) and Periods 2 and 3 (1½ minutes).
  - c. Approved an editorial change in Modified Wrestling Condition #6 that there must be a 45-minute rest period between bouts.

Note: The Committee reviewed the October 3, 2008 NYSPHSAA Modified Committee minutes.

**Reminder** – The five-period/A-B format is mandated for all Section XI schools. This was approved by the Section XI Athletic Council and must be followed by all Section XI member school.

- B. **Placement** - The Placement Committee met on Wednesday, December 10, 2008, at 9:00 am, in the Section XI office. In attendance: Chairman: L. Lally; Conference I: C. Kasman; Conference II: P. Smith, W. Shierant; Conference III: L. Tuorto, R. Panariello; Conference IV: P. Nieto, P. Nickerson; and E. Cinelli.

The Committee recommends approval of the following:

1. Basic Placement 2009-10

<b>CONFERENCE I (14)</b>		<b>CONFERENCE II (15)</b>	
Brentwood	3887	West Islip	1377
William Floyd	2371	Newfield	1308
Longwood	2340	Half Hollow Hills East	1294
Patchogue-Medford	2086	Centereach	1275
Sachem East	1866	Smithtown East	1273
Ward Melville	1838	East Islip	1270
Commack	1837	North Babylon	1225
Lindenhurst	1809	Riverhead	1172
Sachem North	1704	Smithtown West	1158
Connetquot	1676	West Babylon	1145
Central Islip	1551	Copiague	1128
Northport	1503	Bellport	1050
Bay Shore	1455	Half Hollow Hills West	1047
Walt Whitman	1407	Deer Park	1013
		Eastport/South Manor	944
<b>CONFERENCE III (16)</b>		<b>CONFERENCE IV (16)</b>	
Huntington	934	Southampton	449
Comsewogue	933	Wyandanch	449
Kings Park	931	Babylon	437
Hauppauge	903	Hampton Bays	431
Islip	860	Mattituck	396
Harborfields	857	Center Moriches	389
Sayville	847	McGann-Mercy	307
Rocky Point	814	Port Jefferson	285
Miller Place	768	Southold	253
East Hampton	736	The Stony Brook School*	210
Westhampton	732	Pierson	209
Shoreham-Wading River	684	Greenport	176
Amityville	659	The Ross School	163
Mt. Sinai	617	Smithtown Christian	146
Elwood/John Glenn	616	Shelter Island	67
Bayport-Blue Point	550	Bridgehampton	41

\*20 added for transfers per Section XI policy

Enrollment figures reflect the total number of students in grades 9, 10, 11 as of October 2008 B.E.D.S. reports and calculated using NYSPHSAA formula.

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1. Boys' Lacrosse - East Hampton and Bridgehampton are combined in Boys' Lacrosse.

- C. **Tournament** – The Tournament Committee met on Wednesday, December 10, 2008, at 9:30 am, in the Section XI office. In attendance: Chair W. Shierant; Conference I: T. Combs, J. Mankowich; Conference II: P. Smith, J. Pennacchio; Conference III: J. Vasile-Cozzo, J. Valente; Conference IV: P. Nieto, R. Mayo; J. Tasman, T. Toro and E. Cinelli.

The Committee recommends approval of the following:

1. Cross Country

- a. Divisionals - "Shall there be no more than 20 teams competing in the Division Championship Race with the top two teams from each league and four at-large teams. The at-large teams will be determined by their five-person average for the 5K course at Sunken Meadow."
- b. Section XI Championship – "Shall the following qualifying standards be implemented:
  - The top 6 teams in each class will qualify.
  - All boys' teams that have a five-person average of 19:30 minutes during a sanction 5K race at Sunken Meadow also qualify.
  - Male individuals that have run 18:30 for 5K at a sanction XC meet at Sunken Meadow also qualify.
  - All girls' teams that have a five-person average of 24:00 minutes during a sanction 5K race at Sunken Meadow also qualify.
  - Female individuals that have run 22:30 for 5K at a sanction XC meet at Sunken Meadow also qualify.
  - A school that does not meet the above criteria may petition entry into the Section XI Championships."

Note: Presently, we have no qualifying standards; several teams are competing in this meet that should not. This proposal will encourage teams to improve their performances and also strengthen our sport.

2. Baseball – "Shall a one-year experiment that includes the following be approved for the spring 2008-09 school year:
  - a. Double elimination tournament (outbracket will be single elimination.)
  - b. Better than .500 league record to qualify for tournament.
  - c. Reinstating the Large School and Small School Championships."

INFORMATION ONLY

1. Boys' and Girls' Lacrosse -

Section XI Tournament (Boys)

There shall be a Section XI tournament in which the top ~~13~~ **11** teams (from a power ranked system of ~~26~~ **22** teams) in Division I (A Classification) will compete for a Section Championship. The winner will also be the Class A qualifier for the NYSPHSAA tournament.

The top ~~6~~ **9** of ~~12~~ **17** teams (B classification) and top 3 or 6 teams (C qualification) in Division II will qualify for the Section tournament. The teams will be bracketed by classification and compete to determine Class B and Class C qualifiers for the NYSPHSAA tournament.

Section XI Tournament (Girls)

Division I – The top 11 Class A teams (from power ranked system of 21) will compete in the Class A tournament.

Division II – The top 7 Class B teams (from power ranked system of ~~14~~ **13**) will compete in the Class B tournament.

- The top 4 Class C teams (from power ranked system of ~~7~~ **8**) will compete in the Class C tournament.

D. **Finance** – See Attached

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Attachments

## SECTION XI FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee met on Tuesday, December 2, 2008, at 4:00 pm at the Section XI Office. In attendance were:

Finance Committee Members:

A. Groveman Chairman	<u>X</u>	A. Gerstenlauer, Longwood	<u>X</u>
A. Agnesini, Eastport-S Manor	<u>X</u>	D. James, Center Moriches	<u>abs</u>
A. Annunziato, Bayport-BP	<u>X</u>	C. Kozora, Greenport	<u>X</u>
D. Cenerelli, Elwood	<u>X</u>	N. Lederer, Lindenhurst	<u>X</u>
J. Cummings, Bay Shore	<u>X</u>	D. Maloney, Middle Country	<u>abs</u>
C. D'Ambrosio, Rocky Point	<u>X</u>	E. Marino, Deer Park	<u>X</u>
N. DeCillis, Center Moriches	<u>X</u>	G. McCarthy, Huntington	<u>abs</u>
C. Delargy, Sayville	<u>X</u>	J. McKenna, Mattituck-Cutchogue	<u>X</u>
E. Ehmann, Smithtown	<u>X</u>	P. Nickerson, McGann-Mercy	<u>X</u>
J. Feltman, Commack	<u>X</u>	R. Walsh, South Country	<u>X</u>

Also in Attendance:

E. Cinelli, Executive Director  
 L. Light, Treasurer  
 D. Lunetta, Coughlin Foundotos Cullen & Danowski, LLP  
 D. Madison, Coordinator of Accounts

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm. Chairman Alan Groveman opened the meeting and an introduction of the Committee members took place.
2. Executive Director Ed Cinelli reviewed with the Committee the services provided by Section XI to its member schools. In general, Section XI coordinates, facilitates, supervises and provides a communication network for all matters relative to interscholastic athletics in Section XI.
3. Alan Groveman reviewed the role of the Finance Committee with its members.
4. Deirdre Lunetta from Coughlin Foundotos Cullen & Danowski, LLP, presented the audit for the 2007-08 fiscal year, describing how Section XI took action with respect to issues that were raised in the previous management letter. The management letter will be discussed at the January 5, 2009, Section XI Executive Board meeting.
5. Executive Director Ed Cinelli provided an overview of the 2007-08 financial experience and the proposed 2009-10 budget. The budget reflects a 0% increase to the school districts and contains a \$257,650 appropriation from the fund balance.
6. The Committee recommends that in future years the fund balance should remain no less than 20% of the proposed budget.
7. The Committee approved the 2009-10 budget.

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**FINANCIAL BUDGET SUMMARY**

	Proposed 09-10	Budgeted 08-09	Actual 07-08	Budgeted 07-08
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
General Services	1,128,700	1,098,458	1,025,694	1,049,500
Sport Expenses	637,550	525,000	570,116	447,500
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,766,250</b>	<b>1,623,458</b>	<b>1,595,810</b>	<b>1,497,000</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Dues/Service Charges	960,000(1,3)	967,100(1)	1,010,460	967,100
Sport Receipts	396,600	361,050	402,410	348,800
Interest	35,000	70,000	66,176	80,000
Self Sustaining Programs	70,000	77,000	66,940	52,000
Other Income	21,000	22,000	19,832(2)	18,000
Officials Penalties(4)	26,000	0	18,770	
Appropriated from fund balance	257,650	126,308	11,222	31,100
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,766,250</b>	<b>1,623,458</b>	<b>1,595,810</b>	<b>1,497,000</b>

1. Dues/Service Charges 0% increase

	Actual 07-08
2. Other Income	
Broadcast fees	5,350
Protest fees	200
Directory/Atlas sales	6,016
Website Advertising	7,050
Wrestling-other income (T shirt sales, etc.)	1,160
Misc	56
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,832</b>

3. 09-10 Dues/SC estimate: drop 113 JV 2<sup>nd</sup> teams and 278 B level 2<sup>nd</sup> teams

4. Officials Penalties: Turn backs, no shows, late claim form submissions

**EXPENDITURES – GENERAL SERVICES**

	Proposed 09-10	Budgeted 08-09	Actual 07-08	Budgeted 07-08
1. Payroll and Payroll Taxes	647,200(8)	616,958	590,323	593,000
2. Professional Services	59,000	59,000(6)	50,174	56,500
3. Meetings/Staff Travel	15,000	13,000	13,494	11,000
4. Sport Chair	56,000	55,000(1)	42,033	39,000
5. Insurance	40,000	45,000	38,274	65,000
6. Postage	6,000	5,000	5,109	7,000
7. Telephone	6,000	6,000	4,635	7,000
8. Printing	12,000	11,000	13,181	12,000
9. Rent/Maintenance	154,000(7)	146,000	143,192	141,000
10. Leased Office Equipment	13,500	13,500	11,263	13,000
11. Purchased Equipment	4,000	4,000	0(3)	10,000(2)
12. Office Supplies	7,000	6,000	7,582	7,000
13. Internet Project	35,000	37,000(4)	33,075	32,000
14. Misc Expenses (5)	4,000	4,000	3,087	4,000
15. Self Sustaining Programs	70,000	77,000	66,812	52,000
16. Depreciation			3,460	
TOTALS	1,128,700	1,098,458	1,025,694	1,049,500

1. Includes approved sport chair stipend increases
2. New phone system
3. Purchased equipment moved to fixed assets:  
2 computers, phone system, check signing machine: total \$8069
4. Budgeted for programming officials TB fees, no shows, etc for audit purposes
5. Includes misconducts, bank charges, water, eyecare etc
6. Includes funds for outside firm retainer to close financial statements
7. Lease extended to May 2016
8. 1/2/08 Executive Board approved hiring of part-time employee

**SPORT RECEIPTS**

	Proposed 09-10	Budgeted 08-09	Actual 07-08	Budgeted 07-08
<b>INDIVIDUAL SPORTS</b>				
Fencing	400	350	490	400
Gymnastics - Girls	2,500	2,000	2685	2000
Swimming - Boys	1,800	1,700	1975	1800
Swimming - Girls	1,900	1,500	2380	2000
Wrestling	47,000	47,000	47,661	48,000
<b>TEAM SPORTS</b>				
Baseball	0	0	0	600
Basketball - Boys	75,000	65,000	78,890(2)	60,000
Basketball - Girls	37,000	33,000	37,832	33,000
Field Hockey	2,000	2,000	2,053	2,500
Football	67,000	70,000	65,712(3)	71,000
Lacrosse - Boys	32,000	21,000	33,574(2)	20,000
Lacrosse - Girls	12,000	9,500	12,129	10,000
Soccer - Boys	9,000	8,000	8,678	7,000
Soccer - Girls	5,000	6,000	4,836	7,500
Volleyball - Boys	6,000	4,000	6,018	3,500
Volleyball - Girls	6,000	5,000	5,743	4,500
<b>POST SECTION COMPETITION</b>				
Regionals (1)	92,000	85,000	91,754	75,000
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>396,600</b>	<b>361,050</b>	<b>402,410</b>	<b>348,800</b>

1. All Regionals including L.I. Football Championships
2. Record high
3. Lowest in last 5 years

**SPORT EXPENSES**

	Proposed 09-10	Site 09-10	Budget 08-09	Site 08-09	Actual 07-08	Budget 07-08	Site 07-08	# athl		
<b>Indiv Sports</b>										
Badminton	350		300		331	300				
Bowling-B/G	10,000	Albany	11,000	Rochstr	4,924	10,000	White Pl	28		
Cross C-B/G	43,000	Lk Placid	5,000	LI	41,080	27,000	Pitsburg	120		
Fencing -	1,500		2,200		1,098	1,500				
Golf - Boys	9,000	Cornell	8,000	Cornell	7,680	7,000	Cornell	9		
Golf - Girls	9,000	TBA	8,000	Syracuse	6,838	7,000	Syracuse	9		
Gymn-Girls	2,000	Nassau	6,000	Syracuse	3,525	4,500	Section I	9		
Swim-Boys	15,000	Buffalo	15,000	Nassau or Buff	4,915	10,000	LI	26		
Swim-Girls	15,000	Nassau or Buff	15,000	Nassau or Buff	5,584	10,000	LI	32		
Tennis - B	4,500	NYC	3,000	NYC	4,246	3,000	NYC	9		
Tennis - G	7,000	Syracuse	6,000	Syracuse	6,608	6,000	Syracuse	9		
Track - B/G	50,000	Binghm	40,000	Syracuse	51,005	36,000	Buffalo	149		
Wintr Tr-B/G	38,000	Cornell	38,000	Cornell	31,669	32,000	Cornell	93		
Wrestling	62,000	Albany	62,000	Albany	59,261	60,000	Rochstr	41		
<b>Team Sports</b>										
								07-08 # teams	06-07 # teams	05-06 # teams
Baseball	15,000	Binghm	15,000	Binghm	9,440	15,000	Binghm	2	2	2
Bsktball-B	58,000	Gl Falls	60,000	Gl Falls	53,189	44,000	Gl Falls	2	3	2
Bsktball-G	30,000	Albany	35,000	Albany	24,515	22,000	Albany	1	3	1
F Hockey	18,000	TBA	9,500	Syracuse	17,318	9,000	Syracuse	2	0	1
Football	42,000		36,000		40,866	29,000				
Lacrosse-B	14,000	SB Univ	30,000	Rochstr	13,407	15,000	LI	LI	2	LI
Lacrosse-G	18,000	Cortland	22,000	Cortland	14,724	16,500	Cortland	1	1	1
Soccer-B	31,000	Oneonta	25,000	Oneonta	30,268	18,000	Oneonta	4	4	2
Soccer-G	19,000	TBA	14,000	Cortland	23,963	13,000	Cortland	3	1	1
Softball	24,000	Rochstr	12,000	Rochstr	23,575	8,000	Binghm	2	1	1
Volleybl-B	18,000	TBA (2)	3,000		2,537	2,500				
Volleybl-G	28,000	Gl Falls	22,000	Gl Falls	27,570	22,000	Gl Falls	4	4	3
<b>Post Sect Comp</b>										
Regionals (1)	75,000		42,000		79,893	40,000				
<b>Other Misc Expenses</b>										
Athletics/ Challenged	3,000		2000		2,522	1200				
Cheerlead	200				175	0				
Less Transportation Reimbursem	(22,000)		(22,000)		(22,610)	(22,000)				
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>637,550</b>		<b>525,000</b>		<b>570,116</b>	<b>447,500</b>				

1. All Regionals including L.I. Football Championship
2. 09-10 possible NYSPHSAA championship