

MINUTES
Suffolk County Public High School Athletic Association
Section XI – Athletic Council

NYSPHSAA, Inc.

January 20, 2021

Section XI Office via zoom

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Masterson at 9:04 am. The following were in attendance:

EXECUTIVE BOARD

President:	S. Schuster	<u>Abs</u>	Central Comm.:	T. Gulluscio	<u>X</u>
1 st Vice Pres:	K. Masterson	<u>X</u>		D. Ferry	<u>X</u>
2 nd Vice Pres:	R. Cox	<u>X</u>		M. Radday	<u>X</u>
Past Pres:	J. Valente	<u>X</u>		E. Thompson	<u>X</u>
At Large:	E. Blaney	<u>Abs</u>		P. Trombetta	<u>X</u>
Supt Rep:	T. Eagen	<u>Abs</u>	State Executive Board:	T. Mullins	<u>X</u>
Supt Rep:	J. Polanski	<u>X</u>			
<u>Ex-Officio:</u>			Executive Director:	T. Combs	<u>X</u>
Treasurer:	L. Light	<u>X</u>	Assistant Director:	P. Blieberg	<u>X</u>
Counsel:	K. Seaman	<u>X</u>	Consultant:	N. DeCillis	<u>X</u>

CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES

I.	J. Murphy	<u>Abs</u>	II.	J. Coady	<u>X</u>
	M. Keltos	<u>X</u>		J. Klomp	<u>Abs</u>
	L. Philips	<u>X</u>		R. McIntyre	<u>X</u>
	R. Panariello	<u>X</u>		T. Horan	<u>X</u>
	K. Mitchell	<u>X</u>		G. McCarthy	<u>X</u>
	S. McEntee	<u>X</u>		L. Dolson	<u>X</u>
III.	S. Lipshie	<u>X</u>	IV.	S. Petretti	<u>X</u>
	F. Pugliese	<u>X</u>		S. Leister	<u>X</u>
	S. Reh	<u>X</u>		D. Phillips	<u>X</u>
	S. Restivo	<u>X</u>		M. DeJoseph	<u>X</u>
	J. Kulesa	<u>X</u>		M. Reggio	<u>X</u>
	D. Richert	<u>X</u>		K. Daniels	<u>X</u>

Also in attendance: Robert Zayas, NYSPHSAA Executive Director, Todd Nelson, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director, Joe Altieri, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director, Kristen Jaden, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director

A. Approval of Minutes

"to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2020 Athletic Council Meeting."

Motion: E. Thompson Second: B. Panariello

Motion: **Approved**

- II. NYSPHSAA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** Robert Zayas/Kristin Jadin
- A. Review of return to play of high-risk sports
 - B. Reclassification of Boys Lacrosse
 - C. Virtual Student Leadership

III. REPORTS

The Executive Board met on Monday, January 11, 2021, via zoom. In attendance: President S. Schuster, K. Masterson, R. Cox, J. Valente, E. Blaney, E. Thompson, T. Gulluscio, D. Ferry, M. Radday, P. Trombetta, T. Eagen, J. Polansky, N. DeCillis, L. Light, K. Seaman, T. Mullins, T. Combs and P. Blieberg.

1. Welcome – President Scott Schuster called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm.
2. Finance Committee – Larry Light and Tom Combs
 - A. The Section XI Finance Committee Report from January 7, 2021 including the proposed 2021-22 budget was reviewed with the Executive Board.
Executive Board **Approved**
 - B. The Executive Board was informed that there will be no increase in the Section XI Dues and Service Charges for member schools in the proposed 2020-21 budget.
Executive Board **Approved**.
3. Treasurer's Report – Larry Light
 - A. Larry Light reviewed the Section XI Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual report for the period July 1, 2020 through January 5, 2021 and provided information regarding the income and expenses within that budget period.
4. Council – Kevin Seaman
 - A. Kevin Seaman updated the Executive Board on the status of the Penny case.
5. President – Scott Schuster
 - A. Internal Auditor's Reports – Scott Schuster provided the Board with the Internal Auditor's reports for November and December, 2020.
6. NYSPSHAA – Deb Ferry/Todd Gulluscio
 - A. Executive Committee Report – Deb Ferry and Tim Mullins provided a synopsis of the October 21, 2020 NYSPHSAA Executive Committee meeting.
 - B. NYSPHSAA Executive Committee – The NYSPHSAA Voting items were reviewed with the Executive Board.
7. Sponsorship Update – Nick DeCillis reviewed the sponsorship initiatives with which he has been involved, including contact with various organizations with the hope of securing either sponsorship or advertising contracts with them.
8. Communications Coordinator – The Executive Board reviewed the website Metrix thru January 2021.
9. Executive Director Report – Tom Combs provided the Executive Board with an Executive Director report for January 2021.
10. Meeting Adjournment – The Executive Board meeting was adjourned at 4:49 pm.

IV. NYSPHSAA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. (A) Sportsmanship Committee - Consideration of approval to add "including racial or discriminatory comments or slurs" to the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Official's card.

Motion: D. Ferry

Second: D. Richert

Motion: **Approved**

2. (A) Modified Committee - Consideration of approval of John Stiso as the Modified Boys Lacrosse Coordinator.

Motion: D. Philips

Second: R. McIntyre

Motion: **Approved**

3. (D) Consideration of approval of a change to the selection of State Sport Coordinator process.
4. (D) Consideration of approval to eliminate "or a private school within that district's boundaries" from the NYSPHSAA Transfer Rule.
5. (A) Consider approval of adding Kristen Jadin, NYSPHSAA Assistant Director as a signor on the NYSPHSAA bank account and give her the authority to approve vouchers.

Motion: Second:

Motion: **Approved**

6. (A) Consider approval of 5 classifications following the 20% recommendation.

Motion: K. Daniels Second: G. McCarthy

Motion: **Defeated**

7. (A) Consider approval of general D1/D2 classifications as 34.47% (D1), 65.62% (D2) recommendation.

Motion: K. Mitchell Second: F. Pugliese

Motion: **Defeated**

8. (A) Consider approval to remove merged team requirement from the School of Distinction and Excellence applications.

Motion: T. Gulluscio Second: B. Panariello

Motion: **Approved**

9. (A) Consider approval of Visions FCU Veterans Memorial Arena, Binghamton as the host of the 2021-2023 NYSPHSAA Game Day Cheerleading WEST Regional Championships.

Motion: J. Kulesa Second: M. Keltos

Motion: **Approved**

10. (A) Consider approval of Arlington HS as the host of the 2021-2023 NYSPHSAA Game Day Cheerleading EAST Regional Championships.

Motion: J. Coady Second: S. Reh

Motion: **Approved**

11. (A) Consider approval of a re-bid for NYSPHSAA Girls/Boys Tennis Team Championships.

Motion: M. Reggio Second: M. DeJoseph

Motion: **Approved**

12. (A) Consider approval to modify the current appeals procedure used in the NYSPHSAA Wrestling State Championships (Dual & Individual).

Motion: R. McIntyre Second: B. Panariello

Motion: **Approved**

13. (A) Consider approval of Times Union, Albany as the host of the 2023-2025 NYSPHSAA Wrestling Championships (Individual).

Motion: T. Mullins Second: S. Petretti

Motion: **Approved**

14. (A) Consider approval of Gore/North Creek (2022), Bristol/Harriett Holister (2023) and Whiteface/Mt. Van Hoevenberg (2024) as the hosts of the 2022-2024 NYSPHSAA Skiing Championships.

Motion: T. Gulluscio Second: F. Pugliese

Motion: **Approved**

15. (A) Consider approval of Visions FCU Veterans memorial Arena, Binghamton as the host of the 2023-2025 NYSPHSAA Competitive Cheerleading Championships.

Motion: S. Reh Second: D. Ferry

Motion: **Approved**

16. (A) Consider approval of extending 2021 winter championship venues for one additional year for all winter sports.

Motion: D. Richert Second: R. McIntyre

Motion: **Approved**

17. (A) Consider approval of extensions to regional rotations Boys and Girls Basketball.

Motion: J. Kulsea Second: S. Reh

Motion: **Approved**

III. **SECTION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. **Conference Presidents** – 2021-22 Section XI Conference Organization and Representatives.

B. **Tournament**

Discussion Items:

1. Review Tournament Structure
2. High Risk Sports
3. Modified sports – High Risk
4. No spectators at Bowling

C. Policy

Action Item:

The Committee recommends approval of the following:

1. Not allowing spectators at Winter Contests.

Motion: S. McEntee

Second: D. Philips

Motion: **Approved**

Discussion Items:

1. Roberts Rules Workshop
2. Upgrade Zoom

D. Task Force

To approve both of the following:

1. Review Return to Play Document
2. Section XI Officials and Team Attestation Forms

Motion: F. Pugliese

Second: D. Philips

Motion: **Approved**

E. Finance

To approve the following:

1. 2021-22 Budget

Motion: D. Philips

Second: B. Panariello

Motion: **Approved**

Motion to adjourn

Motion: R. Cox

Second: T. Horan

Motion: **Approved**

Adjournment: 9:52 am

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Combs

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Executive Director