

SECTION XI
NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
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CONFERENCE/COUNCIL AGENDA
January, 2023

I. NOTICES

Meetings & Significant Dates

Jan.	6	DEADLINE for Spring Schedule Corrections, V/JV/JV2 Levels
Jan.	9	Executive Board, 4 PM, Section XI Office
Jan.	10	Conference IV, 9 AM, Section XI Office
Jan.	11	Conference II, 9 AM, Section XI Office
Jan.	12	Conference III, 9 AM, Section XI Office
Jan.	13	Conference I, 9 AM, Section XI Office
Jan.	17	Wrestling Seeding, 10 am, Section XI Office
Jan.	17	First Practice – All Modified Late Winter Sports
Jan.	18	Coaches' Mtgs. – Modified Late Winter Sports and Girls' Golf, 7:30 pm
Jan.	19	Athletic Council - 9 AM, Section XI Office
Jan.	21	CONSIDERED "NEXT AVAILABLE DATE" and every Saturday thereafter
Jan.	26	Athletic Directors - 9 am, Section XI Office
Jan 31- Feb 1		NYSPHSAA Executive Committee, Saratoga
Feb.	6	Modified Committee – 9 AM, Section XI Office
Feb.	6	Policy Committee – 10 AM, Section XI Office
Feb.	7	Tournament Committee – 9 AM, Section XI Office
Feb.	7	Sportsmanship Committee – 10 AM, Section XI Office
Feb.	8	Placement Committee – 9 AM, Section XI Office
Feb.	10	Basketball Seeding, 11 AM, Section XI Office
Feb.	15	DEADLINE for spring Eligibility data
Feb.	16	Athletic Directors - 9 am, Section XI Office
Mar	1	Eligibility Committee - 9 AM, Section XI Office

Please Note new dates for Conference Meetings

Mar.	2	Conference IV – 9 AM, Section XI Office
Mar.	3	Conference III – 9 AM, Section XI Office
Mar.	6	Conference I – 9 AM, Section XI Office
Mar.	7	Conference II – 9 AM, Section XI Office

II. NYSPHSAA ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Handbook Committee

(A) Consider approval of removing the NYSPHSAA Note under the Mixed Competition portion of the NYSPHSAA Handbook

Sportsmanship Committee

(D) Consider approval to add a Spectator Sportsmanship Regulation to the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Rule.

Modified Committee

(A) Consider approval to change mouthguard requirement for soccer goalies to a recommendation.

(A) Consider approval to increase the maximum number of events for Modified Track & Field to 4, providing one of the 4 is a relay and eliminate the distance restrictions in the Modified Track and Field regulation

Fall

(A) Consider approval of an amendment to the Combined Practice Guidelines for 11-Man Football

Winter

(A) Consider approval to follow the NFHS 1.5% weight loss plan, beginning in the 2023-2024 season

(A) Consider approval to eliminate the NYSPHSAA honor weigh-in beginning in the 2023-2024 season

(A) Consider approval to use the NFHS weight classes plus a NYSPHSAA lower weight, beginning in the 2023-2024 season

(A) Consider approval of Boys Wrestling becoming a variation sport with Division cut-off numbers being 600 and above for Division 1 and 599 and below being Division 2

Spring

(D) Consider approval to change scoring in Girls Golf for a maximum score on each hole to be three times par. Each section can set their own maximum at their own Sectional Championship

(D) Consider approval of removing hand timed standards for a second athlete or team to qualify for the state championship

(A) Consider approval of following High school sports standards for Girls Flag Football

(A) Consider approval of following the NFHS Football playing rules along with the NYSPHSAA Girls Flag Football Rules

(A) Consider approval of NYSPHSAA offering a State Championship in the sport of Girls Flag Football starting in the Spring of 2024

III. SECTION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**A. Conference Presidents**

1. Update Section XI Conference and Organization Representatives for 2023-24. Copiague moved from II to I, Northport moved from I to II, Elwood moved from IV to III and SWR moved from III to IV. (See attached Basic Conference placement for 2023-24)

- B. **Modified**– The Modified Committee met on December 5, at 9 am, in the Section XI office. In attendance: Co-Chair: K. Masterson, D. Ferry; Conference I: G. Beutel, B. Sacks; Conference II: J. Mercado, L. Howard; Conference III: B. Denniston, R. Franco; Conference IV: D. Shanahan, H. Brown. Also in attendance: P. Blieberg, T. Combs.

Discussion Items:

1. Boys and Girls Basketball
 - Including the 3 Point Shot
 - Zone Defense
2. Overtime
 - Sports with Overtime/Without Overtime
 - All sports same format or keep current model
3. Boys Soccer and Girls Soccer
 - 7th grade team
 - 8th grade team
4. Two teams of equal strength or an A team and a B team
 - When teams have two teams in one building
5. Consider approval for 6th graders to participate in modified sports

C. **Policy** - The Policy Committee met on Dec 5 at 10 am, in the Section XI office. In attendance: Chair: R. Cox; Conference I: D. Barth; Conference II: J. Friesen, J. Mercado; Conference III: B. Denniston, R. Franco; Conference IV: G. Wormuth. As in attendance: T. Combs and P. Blieberg. (Absent P. Friel and S. Flanagan).

1. Geography placement
2. Edit Window - After the edit window closes, contests may only be moved earlier in the schedule due to unforeseen situations, not forward. This action requires approval from Section XI before any edits may be submitted.
3. Girls Golf County Tournament Proposal:
 - Only the top 2 teams from each league will qualify for tournament- teams can bring 6 and score 5 golfers for the team tournament.
 - The Individual golfers participating in the county tournament will be golfers who earned All-League. With 7 team leagues now, all leagues will get 13 All-League selections which would be 52 golfers. This will include any All-League golfers who are on teams that also qualified for team tournament which will be around 20-24 golfer
 - This would give us approximately 72-76 golfers plus 2 or 3 girls who played on boys teams and have an average in line with the top 80
 - The purpose for reducing the number of team and golfers is to have the best teams and individuals participate in the county tournament. We had 102 golfers last year with 31 shooting 120+ the first day. The day is long with that many golfers and having to double up on holes to start the tournament affects the better golfers.

3. Admission Charges – Boys and Girls Basketball
Proposal to have Early Round Games Free Admission and charge for Quarterfinals/Semifinals/Finals
Rationale: More in line with most sports' postseason admission charges

D. **Tournament** – The Tournament Committee met on December 6, 2022, at 9 am in the Section XI office. In attendance: Chair: D. Butler; Conference I: P. Friel, C. Agostino, Conference II; J. Friesen, J. Mercado; Conference III: B. Denniston, J. Sparacio; Conference IV: D. Phillips, J. Thode. Also in attendance: P. Blieberg, T. Combs. (Absent: A. Sherrard).

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E. **Sportsmanship** – The Sportsmanship Committee met on December 6, 2022 at 10 am in the Section XI office. In attendance: Chair J. Thode; Conference I: A. Smith, C. Agostino; Conference II: B. Bennett, D. Fontana; Conference III: M Passamonte; Conference IV: D. Phillips. Also in attendance: T. Combs, P. Blieberg. (Absent E. Farkas, S. Flanagan).

1. Review of Fall Season
2. Sportsmanship Program Review
3. Student Leadership conference

F. **Finance**

The Committee met on Thursday December 1, 2022 at 4:00 pm at the Section XI Office. In attendance were:

Lance Lohman	Abs	Frank Pugliese	X
Gary Beutel	X	Kathy Masterson	X
Robert Hauser	X	Deb Ferry	X
Francisco Herrera	X	Anthony Mauro	Abs
Chris Agostino	Abs	Timothy Hearney	Abs
Roberta Gerold	Abs	Jeremy Thode	Abs
Matt DeVincenzo	X	Mike DeJoseph	Abs
Lou Howard	X	Todd Gulluscio	X
Tim Horan	X		

Also in Attendance:

- A. Groveman, Chairman
- T. Combs, Executive Director
- P. Blieberg, Assistant Director
- D. Hoffman, Cullen & Danowski, LLP
- M. Leone, Cullen & Danowski, LLP

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:02 pm by Committee Chairman Alan Groveman.
2. Alan Groveman reviewed the role of the Finance Committee.
3. Executive Director Tom Combs presented to the Committee the services provided by Section XI.
4. Don Hoffman, auditor, reviewed our financial status. Section XI handled budget appropriately.
5. Alan Groveman reviewed the proposed 2023-24 budget including
6. The Committee unanimously approved the 2023-24 budget
7. Meeting was adjourned at 7 pm.

	2023-24 Proposed	2022-23 Adopted	2021-22 Actual	2020-21 Actual
Expenditures				
General Services	\$1,563,051	\$1,410,616	\$1,379,875	\$1,153,100
Sport Expenses	\$600,500	\$513,000	\$644,008	\$121,420
TOTAL	\$2,163,551	\$1,923,616	\$2,023,883	\$1,274,520
Revenues				
Dues & Service Charges (1)	1,179,425	1,000,000	1,129,425	992,632
Sport Receipts	483,205	429,400	521,995	27,542

Interest	2,000	12,716	1,467	7,052
Self-Sustaining	160,000	120,000	152,022	31,550
Other Income	315,500	359,500	207,787	137,050
Officials Penalties & Fees	2,000	2,000	281	
Appropriated From Fund Balance	0		10906	
TOTAL	\$2,163,551	\$1,923,616	\$2,023,883	\$1,195,826

General Services	2023-24 Proposed	2022-23 Adopted	2021-22 Actual	2020-21 Actual
Payroll & Benefits	\$887,930	\$835,116	\$788,014	\$696,552
Professional Services	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$84,227	\$69,169
Meetings & Staff Travel	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$19,010	\$7,272
Sport Chair	\$90,000	\$65,000	\$56,581	\$33,497
Insurance	\$56,422	\$26,000	\$34,701	\$23,823
Postage	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$1,776	\$1,311
Telephone	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$8,948	\$10,157
Printing	\$8,500	\$8,000	\$8,375	\$6,624
Rent, Maint. & Lipa	\$70,000	\$65,000	\$92,009	\$184,891
Renovations & Upgrades (New Facility)	\$0	\$5,000	\$8,156	
Leased Equipment	\$13,000	\$13,000		\$12,625
Purchased Equipment	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$9,666	
Office Supplies	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$11,770	\$4,936
Computer Services	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$82,523	\$61,985
Misc Expenses	\$6,000	\$3,000	\$5,786	\$532
Self-Sustaining	\$160,000	\$120,000	\$152,648	\$32,003
Depreciation	\$8,000	\$4,000	\$14,593	\$5,308
Bad Debt Expense	\$0	\$5,000		
DASA	\$1,200	\$7,000	\$1,092	\$2,415
Total	\$1,563,051	\$1,410,616	\$1,379,875	\$1,274,520

Sports Receipts	2023-24 Proposed	2022-23 Adopted	2021-2022 Actual	2020-21 Actual
Individual Sports				
Bowling - Boys & Girls	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$2,050	
Fencing - Boys & Girls	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,302	
Gymnastics - Girls	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$1,264	
Swimming - Boys	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,218	
Swimming - Girls	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,450	
Track - Boys & Girls	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$6,132	
Winter Track - B/G	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$3,020	
Wrestling	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$28,247	
Team Sports				
Baseball	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$19,887	\$9,122
Softball	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$6,745	
Basketball - Boys	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$98,920	
Basketball - Girls	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$44,627	
Field Hockey	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$23,268	
Football	\$120,805	\$90,000	\$135,994	
Lacrosse - Boys	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$28,470	\$18,420

Lacrosse - Girls	\$25,000	\$15,000	\$31,553	
Soccer - Boys	\$25,000	\$22,000	\$28,491	
Soccer - Girls	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$21,892	
Volleyball - Boys	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$11,155	
Volleyball - Girls	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$14,767	
Cheerleading	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$8,543	
Unified Basketball	\$5,000	\$5,000		\$0
Regionals & LI Championships				
TOTAL	\$483,205	\$400,000	\$521,995	\$27,542

Regionals incorporated into team sports

DUES AND SERVICE CHARGES

2023-24

I. Membership Dues

- A. High School \$2210.85
- B. Junior High/Middle School \$1597.00

II. Service Charges

- A. Each Varsity team \$300.00
- B. Each JV/JV9 team \$220.00
- C. Each Junior High/Middle School team \$220.00
- D. Individual Competitors (one or more) \$300.00

III. Payments

A. Dues and Service Charges

Annual dues and service charges are due September 1st. Schools not having paid these fees by October 15th will not be considered members. Teams and athletes representing these schools will not be eligible for Section XI competition (regular season and Section/State Tournaments).

Any school which is unable to commit district funds for the athletic program but complies with the Section XI Austerity Policy by notifying of its intent to compete by the prescribed deadline will be fully liable for payment of dues and fall season team service charges by the October 15th deadline. The deadlines for winter and spring season team service charges respectively are December 30th and April 15th.

B. Officials Fees

Officials fees as estimated for each district by Section XI will be billed in two equal amounts. Payments are due by October 15th and February 1st of each school year.

6 CLASSIFICATION CUT-OFF NUMBERS

SB	AAA (1082- UP)	AA (692- 1081)	A (403- 691)	B (240- 402)	C (152- 239)	D (151- DOWN)
BSB	AAA (1087 - up)	AA (704- 1086)	A (398- 703)	B (245- 397)	C (144- 244)	D (143 - down)
GBKB	AAA (1113- UP)	AA (699- 1112)	A (397- 698)	B (237- 396)	C (129- 236)	D (128- DOWN)
BBKB	AAA (1105- UP)	AA (692- 1104)	A (391- 691)	B (222- 390)	C (119- 221)	D (118- DOWN)
GSOC	AAA (1082- UP)	AA (703- 1081)	A (406- 702)	B (251- 405)	C (141- 250)	D (140- DOWN)
BSOC	AAA (1090 - UP)	AA (719- 1089)	A (412- 718)	B (261- 411)	C (144- 260)	D (143- DOWN)
GVB	AAA (1141- UP)	AA (747- 1140)	A (470- 746)	B (290- 469)	C (182- 289)	D (181- DOWN)

**BASIC CONFERENCE PLACEMENT
2023-24**

CONFERENCE I (15)		CONFERENCE II (15)	
Brentwood	4446	Northport	1197
Longwood	2348	North Babylon	1116
William Floyd	2204	Newfield	1110
Central Islip	1811	Smithtown E	1100
Patchogue-Medford	1743	Half Hollow Hills E	1092
Riverhead	1653	Centereach	1080
Walt Whitman	1527	Huntington	1073
Ward Melville	1514	Bellport	1043
Sachem East	1512	West Islip	939
Sachem North	1469	West Babylon	933
Bay Shore	1467	Deer Park	926
Commack	1353	Smithtown W	912
Connetquot	1343	Comsewogue	864
Lindenhurst	1314	East Islip	845
Copiapue	1230	Eastport-S Manor	819
CONFERENCE III (15)		CONFERENCE IV (15)	
East Hampton	795	Bayport Blue Point	500
Hauppauge	770	Shoreham-Wading R	498
Rocky Point	750	Southampton	465
Westhampton	731	Center Moriches	417
Half Hollow Hills W	707	Babylon	318
Amityville	698	Mattituck	294
Harborfields	681	Port Jefferson	263
Wyandanch	674	Pierson	239
Kings Park	659	Southold	221
Sayville	657	Greenport	177
Islip	654	Ross	107
Miller Place	621	Riverhead Charter	72
Hampton Bays	543	Smithtown Christian	71
Mount Sinai	531	Bridgehampton	56
Elwood	509	Shelter Island	39

Enrollment figures reflect the total number of students in grades 9, 10 and average of 9/10 as of SIRS (Student Information Reporting System) data reports and calculated using NYSPHSAA formula.

2022-23 SECTION XI CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION AND REPRESENTATIVES

CONFERENCE I			CONFERENCE II			CONFERENCE III			CONFERENCE IV		
President	Anthony Amesti	Lindenhurst	Steve Restivo	East Islip	Mark Passamonte	SWR	Dave Shanahan	Eiwood J/Glenn			
Vice President	David Barth	Walt Whitman	Tim Horan	West Islip	Ron Petrie	Miller Place	Jeremy Thode	Center Moriches			
Secretary	Francisco Herrera	Brentwood	Matt DeVincenzo	Comsewogue			Mike DeJoseph	Babylon			
Council Reps: Admin	Nicole Taylor Matt Kelto	Riverhead Commack	John Coady Jonathan Klomp	Smithtown W N. Babylon	Seth Lipshie Frank Pugliese	Miller Place SWR	Shawn Petretti Sean Leister	Mattituck Port Jefferson			
Male	Gary Beutel Mark Dantuono	Sachem Northport	Matt DeVincenzo Tim Horan	Comsewogue West Islip	Scott Reh Dan Butler	Mt. Sinai Hauppauge	Darren Phillips Mike DeJoseph	Southampton Babylon			
Female	Katie Mitchell Alicia Smith	Brentwood Longwood	Lindsay Dolson	M. Country	Angelle Shannon Alexandra Daleo	Wyandanch Harborfields	Eileen Kelly-Gorman Kaitlin Daniels	Eiwood J/Glenn Greenport			
Awards Committee	Brian Babst Dave Barth	William Floyd Walt Whitman	Kevin Trentowski	ESM	Scott Reh Ron Petrie	Mt. Sinai Miller Place	Jeremy Thode Pat Nieto	Center Moriches Smithtown Chr.			
Constitution Committee	Phil Torregrosa Pete Melore	Sachem Connetquot	Dom Fontana Steve Restivo	East Islip	John Foster Mark Passamonte	Hampton Bays Shoreham-WR	Mike DeJoseph Gregg Wormuth	Babylon Mattituck			
Eligibility/Mixed Comp Committee	Kevin Finnerty Mark Dantuono Brian Sacks	Ward Melville Northport Riverhead	Dom Fontana Deb Ferry Joe Mercado	Deer Park East Islip	Kathy Masterson Scott Reh Rob Franco	East Hampton Mt. Sinai Harborfields	Darren Phillips Tim Hearney Gregg Wormuth Mike DeRosa	Southampton Bayport-BP Mattituck Bridgehampton			
Finance Committee	Lance Lohman Gary Beutel Bob Hauser Francisco Herrera Chris Agostino	Longwood Sachem Connetquot Brentwood Bay Shore	Roberta Gerold Glen Eschbach Matt DeVincenzo Lou Howard Tim Horan	M. Country N. Babylon Comsewogue West Babylon West Islip	Frank Pugliese Kathy Masterson Deb Ferry	Shoreham-WR East Hampton HH Hills	Anthony Mauro Timothy Hearney Jeremy Thode Mike DeJoseph Todd Gulluscio	Southold Bayport-BP Center Moriches Babylon Shelter Island			
Modified Committee	Gary Beutel Brian Sacks	Sachem Riverhead	Joe Mercado Lou Howard	Middle Country West Babylon	Rob Franco Bill Denniston	Harborfields Kings Park	Dave Shanahan Howard Brown	Eiwood-J Glenn Ross School			
Co-chair_Kathy Masterson, East Hampton											
Nominating Committee	Pete Melore Phil Torregrosa	Connetquot Sachem	Tim Horan Deb Ferry	West Islip HH Hills	Rob Franco Ron Sparacio	Harborfields Islip	Howard Brown Steve Flanagan	Ross School Southold			
Chair Joe Mercado, Middle Country											
Placement Committee	Brian Sacks Kevin Finnerty	Riverhead Ward Melville	Tim Horan Joe Mercado	West Islip Middle Country	Ron Petrie Bill Denniston	Miller Place Kings Park	Darren Phillips Gregg Wormuth	Southampton Mattituck			
Chair Todd Gulluscio, Shelter Island											
Policy Committee	Pat Friel Anthony Amesti	Commack Lindenhurst	Jason Friesen Joe Mercado	North Babylon M. Country	Bill Denniston Rob Franco	Kings Park Harborfields	Gregg Wormuth Steve Flanagan	Mattituck Southold			
Chair Ryan Cox, Sayville											
Safety Committee	Kevin Finnerty Gary Beutel	Ward Melville Sachem	Deb Ferry William Bennett	HH Hills Copiague	Bill Denniston Ron Petrie	Kings Park Miller Place	Jeremy Thode Dave Shanahan	Center Moriches Eiwood J/Glenn			
Chair Tim Mullins, Bayport-BP											
Matt DeVincenzo, Life of an Athlete											
Seeding Committee	Anthony Amesti Francisco Herrera	Lindenhurst Brentwood	Deb Ferry Jason Friesen	HH Hills North Babylon	Ron Petrie Kathy Masterson	Miller Place East Hampton	Mike DeJoseph Tim Mullins	Babylon Bayport-BP			
Chair Mike Tully, Retired											
Sportsmanship Committee	Alicia Smith Chris Agostino	Longwood Bay Shore	William Bennett Dom Fontana	Copliague Deer Park	Mark Passamonte Evan Farkas	Shoreham-WR Amityville	Darren Phillips Steve Flanagan	Southampton Southold			
Chair, Jeremy Thode, C. Moriches											
Tournament Committee	Patrick Friel Chris Agostino	Commack Bay Shore	Joe Mercado Jason Friesen	M. Country N. Babylon	Bill Denniston John Sparacio	Kings Park Islip	Darren Phillips Adam Sherrard	Southampton Port Jefferson			
Chair Dan Butler, Hauppauge											

OTHER COMMITTEES AND CHAIRS

Committee	Chair
Appeals	Mike Tully, Retired Ed Cinelli, Retired
Austerity	Alan Groveman, Retired
Ethics	Lynn Schwartz, Retired
Officials Negotiations	Kevin O'Reilly
Committee	Chair
Handbook Revision	John Valente, Retired
Information/Technology	Todd Gulluscio, Shelter Island
General Committee	Wayne Shierant, Retired Ed Cinelli, Retired