Attendees:
Stan Fryczynski  Sharon Hughes  Kevin Murphy
John Maggio    Todd VanOrden  Carl Weigner
Joe Arminio    Tim Gillen    Rob Wagner
Neil Rosa      Steve Jenkins  Joe McColgan
Rich Carroll   Anthony Minnella Frank Torcasio
Bud Kowal      Sean Dowling  Ken Schoudt
Giancarlo Riotto  Gus Kalikas  John Fraraccio
Jeff DiCocco   Jim Peto      Ann Clifton
Brad Bauer

Steve Timko opened up the meeting with an introduction of all the directors and attendees.

Conference Topics

- **Stan Fryczynski – NJIC** – Stan asked the officers if they had any provisions to their Constitutions for penalties against schools, athletic directors and principals not attending Conference Meetings. If anyone has information on this matter please email Stan at njic@ymail.com

- **Sean Dowling (NJAC)** – Updated the officers of various courses offered by the DAANJ. Several core courses and exams are available and can be taken at your school. Please note that the National Athletic Directors Conference / NIAAA Annual Meeting will be held in Phoenix from December 8-12th. 5 courses are available. For more information please visit http://www.niaaa.org/about-the-niaaa/niaaa-conference/

Steve Timko Report

- FYE 2017 Financial Audit (Colleen Maguire) Financial Statements have been approved, overall net assets increased by $160,000 despite revenues being down. The overall cash position is strong and growing.
- Paul Anzano’s Report does not set forth any new legislation concerning the NJSIAA.
- Sectional Meetings went well, thanks to all who hosted. Final legislation will be presented to the Executive Committee in November. A discussion ensued as to Ken Mason’s proposal. Everyone felt as though it was well received. The only concern was to include all sports not just football.
The NFHS meeting held in Saratoga, New York had each state share 3 areas that might be of interest to other states. The NJSIAA presented its Sportsmanship Policy, which received positive feedback, the Scholar Athlete Luncheon and our No-Drone Policy.

A list of the 2017 NJSIAA Sports Awards recipients was provided as a handout, honorees will receive the Bollinger Hall of Fame in December.

- Controversies Committee denied Paterson Eastside for both the coach and school. Both filed appeals with the Commissioner of Education. We are awaiting the Commissioner’s decision.
- The Transgender Policy is still under review, hopes to be presented at the Executive Committee Meeting in November.

Jack DuBois Report – Absent

- Football cards are due back on October 23, 2017. The cutoff date is November 4, 2017 and seeding will take place on November 5, 2017. Round 1 of playoffs will begin on November 10-11, 2017. The Football League and Conference Meeting will be held on Wednesday October 18, 2017.
- Update for Boys Soccer: Cutoff date is October 21, 2017 and seeding will take place on October 25, 2017. All sites and dates are set.
- Approval of Cooperative Programs
  - Paul VI/Camden Catholic – Ice Hockey
  - Edison HS/JP Stevens HS/Metuchen HS – Ice Hockey
  - Paramus HS/Lyndhurst HS/ Hackensack HS – Ice Hockey
  - Kearny HS/North Arlington HS/Secaucus HS – Ice Hockey
  - Leonia HS/Palisades Park HS – Wrestling
  - Bernards HS/Somerville HS/Middlesex HS – Ice Hockey*
    *Pending Conference Approval
- The 2017 NJSIAA Sports Award list was provided as a handout. This year’s Award of Honor goes to our very own, Steven Goodell, Esq. (Parker McKay)
- Bergen Catholic High School and DePaul Catholic High School have submitted a 70% Rule and 10 In-State Matches Wavier Request for Wrestling.

Mike Zapicchi Report

- Continue forwarding new Athletic Directors to my email at mzapicchi@njsiaa.org
- The first meeting of the International Student Committee will take place on October 24, 2017. The goal is to have a representative from each Conference. An email will be sent to Conferences that have not provided a representative.

Bill Bruno Report

- Bill prepared a packet with pertinent information pertaining to the upcoming Cross Country meets. Time change is due to a conflict at Thompson Park.
- The “Bubble” in Toms River has had a $170,000 overhaul thanks to Joe Arminio and the Toms River School District.
• The 1st Reading of the modification to the format for advancement to the Spring Track & Field Meet of Champions was approved by the Spring Track Committee. The second reading will be next month. The new procedure will keep the integrity of representing all groups but reduce the length and cost of the meet. Detailed information was provided in the packet and any questions and concerns can be sent to Bill Bruno at bbruno@njssiaa.org The 7 Special Olympic Events remain the same and the Unified Sports events will also remain the same. The two unified events are the 4x100 and the 4x400.

• The NFHS Honorees have been approved at the September meeting and are listed on the NJSIAA website.

• The NJSCA Golf Coaches Clinic will be held at Galloping Hill Golf Course in Kenilworth, NJ on November 13, 2017 and the NJSCA Annual Baseball Coaches Clinic will be held at the Jack Cust Baseball Academy in Flemington, NJ on December 14, 2017. All Registration Forms are available on the NJSIAA website under Schools, Coaches and Coaches Clinics.

• Wrestling Reminder that prior to opening day your wrestling scale has to have a calibration certification, if it not certified you will lose a 1 team point deduction.

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**Al Stumpf Report**

• Unified Sports is now listed under Sports on the NJSIAA website with information links and the Unified Sports Page.

• Unified Basketball Regulations have been completed and are now being reviewed by the Special Olympics. A slot has been designated at the Tournament of Champions for the Unified Basketball game.

• Girls Volleyball Gym Availability Forms are due back to the office no later than October 17, 2017. Volleyball cutoff date is October 18, 2017, seeding will take place on October 25, 1st Round begins on October 31. If you do not wish to be in the Tournament a Tournament Refusal must be submitted on time. The Tournament of Champions will be held on November 19, 2017 at William Paterson University.

• Girls Soccer Officials Forms are due by October 21, 2017. Soccer cutoff date is October 21, 2017 and seeding will take place on October 25, 2017. The State Finals will be held at Kean University for the Non-Publics on November 12, 2017 and the Publics on November 18, 2017.

• Clarification on a “Red Card”. When a red card is pulled out, it’s official, it cannot be rescinded. Officials should be notifying the Principal of the school when a red/yellow card has been issued and it is up to the school to enforce it.

• Great job to all the schools that have reached out to ask for a uniform waiver for the month of October for Breast Cancer Awareness.

• Al attended the NFHS Meeting in Indianapolis. Al will be taking over Sanctions from Larry when he becomes the Executive Director. This is the first meeting in 12 years for Sanctions. The NFHS is going to revise the sanction process to ensure that our athletes are competing against high school teams.

• WSI Certification classes is being offered by the boys swim coach at Bridgewater High School. Contact Information: Curt Weaver @ cweaver@brrsd.k12.nj.us
Colleen Maguire Report

- A new member school, Princeton Fusion Academy has joined the association, our total member schools is now 438.
- Please be advised if your school has any outstanding invoices you will not be seeded for the Fall State Tournaments. A highlighted list was provided to the Conferences.
- The Winter Classifications Draft has been posted.
- Any Co-Ops for the Spring Season are due back to this office by February 1, 2018.
- The Finance Committee approved the September 2017 checks.
- Colleen reminded the officers that two special committees will be convening this Winter. The committees will revisit the classification process and out-of-season coaching. Anyone who is interested in serving on either of these committees please contact Colleen via email at cmaguire@njsiaa.org

Kim DeGraw Cole Report

- Field Hockey cutoff date is October 16, 2017 and the seeding will take place on October 18, 2017. Be sure to submit your Tournament Refusal form online if you do not wish to participate in the State Tournament.
- Tennis Update: Girls Tennis Tournament was seeded on October 2 and brackets were posted on the NJSIAA website. The Girls Singles/Doubles tournament began on October 7. The Team Tournament began on October 4. The Team Tournament of Champions will be held on October 25 at the Garden State Tennis Center in Edison, NJ.
- The NJSIAA is aware of the website issues and working to correct it. Just a reminder please update the School Manager, the Log-In for an Assistant Athletic Director and Professional Assistant has launched. DQ/Principal School Manager and the Tournament Refusal is an interactive form. All Tournament Programs will be posted on the NJSIAA website and rosters NEED to be completed on njschoolsports.com
- The 70% In-State Competition Waiver requires 50% of the games in State, however, every attempt should be made to play in New Jersey. The amount of waivers has increased over the years, and the goal is to stop waivers all together.
- Several schools have been granted limited uniform waivers recognizing Breast Cancer Awareness Month (Pink).

Larry White Report – Absent (Handout Provided)

- Gymnastics Update: All dates and sites are set. Please be advised Saturday, November 4 is a SAT DATE.

Sectional Tournaments will be held at the following sites on November 4, 2017:
  - North I  Ridgewood High School  9AM Registration
  - North II  Bishop Ahr High School  9AM Registration
  - Central I  Manalapan High School  8:30AM Registration
  - Central II  Hillsborough High School  9AM Registration
  - South  Seneca High School  8:30AM Registration

State Championship Tournaments will be held at Montgomery High School:
  - Team Competition  November 9  3:30 Registration/6PM Start Time
  - Individual Competition  November 11  8:30AM Registration/11AM Start Time
A chart for NJSIAA Visitation Schedules was included in the handout. The NJSIAA Assistant Directors would like to visit each Conference. Please fill out this form and email it to Jenny Yelle at jyelle@njsiaa.org

Drone Update: Larry provided a detailed summary of a meeting held at the NJSIAA ClearVuze which is a software company, not a drone company. The software is not ready for football or other outdoor sports, only soccer. They are interested in doing a “pilot” program with a few of our member schools. This matter will need to be further discussed.

The Transgender Policy has not been approved as of yet. The policy needs to sync with all the state laws prior to approval.

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**Old Business/New Business – Steven J. Timko**

A. Morristown-Beard School – Football 70% in State Competition Rule Waiver Request (Kevin Carty, Jr.)
B. Pingry School – Football 70% In State Competition Rule Waiver Request (Kevin Carty, Jr.)
C. Montclair Kimberley Academy – Football 70% In State Competition Rule Waiver Request (Kevin Carty, Jr.)
D. Saddle River Day School – Girls Basketball 70% In State Competition Rule Waiver Request (Joanne Dzama)
E. Bergen Catholic Wrestling 70% Rule and 10 In-State Matches Waiver Request (Timothy McElhinney)
F. DePaul Catholic Wrestling 70% Rule and 10 In-State Matches Waiver Request (Timothy McElhinney)

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The next League & Conference Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2017