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

**Presentations – “Next Game Time”**

Mike Quick a former NFL player for the Philadelphia Eagles and Donte Brown presented a sports app called “Next Game Time”. The sports app has been designed to allow every athlete at any level to tell their story in a virtual scrapbook. This FREE app allows you to upload videos, photos, etc. of your athlete/child and create their very own channel which can be shared with family members and friends. The app documents all history by Groups, Conferences and State Championships for each High School. An invitation will be sent to all Athletic Directors via email, once you accept the invitation you can modify the school colors on your banner and upload a high resolution logo for your channel. Business cards were provided with their contact information if anyone has any questions.

**Steve Timko Report**

- Paul Anzano’s legislative update was provided in a handout. A few important points to mention, Assemblyman Benjie Wimberly dropped the legislation opposing the Transfer Rule due to the fact that the Commissioner of Education vetoed it. Additional funding for steroid testing if approved will allow for year round testing.
- The West Windsor North and South High School Coop Waiver Requested was not approved by the West Jersey Football League prior to the vote of the Executive Committee members. A waiver is being submitted and it will now be reviewed by the League & Conference Committee members.
- The following items have been approved to the general membership vote at the December 2017 Meeting.
  - Conference Coalition Football Playoff Proposal submitted by Bud Kowal.
  - Start of Fall Regular Season Schedule Opening Dates submitted by John Maggio.
  - Football Co-ops to include Groups III, IV & V submitted by the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District.
- Not approved was the Amendment to Article V – Six Month Polling of Executive Committee Action submitted by Scott Rosenberg.
• The 2017-2018 List of Banned Substances was provided as a handout.
• The NFHS Legal Meeting in Indianapolis was attended by Steve Timko and Michael Herbert. A few topics discussed which pertained to issues in our state were the transfer rule, racial issues and sportsmanlike behavior. A copy of our Sportsmanship Policy was requested to be used as a guideline for other states.
• The 1st reading of the nomination of officers was voted on at the Executive Committee Meeting. Chuck Klaus (President); Vinny Smith (1st Vice President) and Mary Lynn Ivins (2nd Vice President). The 2nd reading will be held in June.
• Handouts were provided for the 2017-2018 Executive Committee and League & Conference meeting dates.
• The NFHS has approved an alternate 2 piece uniform for wrestling. The NJSIAA will allow the new uniform, the singlet is still permissible.
• Any changes/updates to the League & Conference Officers for the 2017-2018 can be sent to Jenny Yelle at jyelle@njsiaa.org.
• West Milford High School will host the 2017-2018 Region 1 Wrestling Site.

Jack DuBois Report

• A Legal Liability and Athletics Transgender Issues in Interscholastic Athletics workshop will be held at the NJSIAA on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at 9:30am. If you have not registered for this workshop, I encourage attendance, this is a major topic and the workshop will provide information on gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation relating to student athletes. Registration is still open.
• The Scholar Athlete Luncheon will be held on Sunday, May 21, 2017 at the Pines Manor. We have a record attendance of 352 students, a total of $191,500 in scholarships and every student will receive a minimum of $500. Thank you to all the conferences who contributed.
• Boys Lacrosse will be seeded on May 15, 2017. 1st Round will be held on May 17, 2017 and the 2nd Round will be held on May 20, 2017.
• Fundamentals of Coaching will be on August 2, 2017, November 2, 2017 and January 30, 2018 held at the NJSIAA at 9am.
• Cooperative Sports Program Applications which have been approved.
  o Jonathan Dayton HS/David Brearley HS/Union HS – Ice Hockey
  o Gateway HS/Woodbury HS – B/G Cross Country, Wrestling, B/G Swimming
  o New Milford HS/Dumont HS – Boys Swimming, Girls Swimming
  o Verona HS/Glen Ridge HS – Ice Hockey
  o St. Rose HS/Donovan Catholic – Ice Hockey
  o Hanover Park HS/Whippany Park HS – B/G Golf, Boys Lacrosse, B/G Swimming
  o Palisades Park HS/Leonia HS – Football
  o Leonia HS/Palisades Park HS – Girls Soccer, B/G Swimming
  o West Essex HS/James Caldwell HS – Co-Ed Swimming
  o Whippany Park HS/Hanover Park HS – Ice Hockey, Girls Lacrosse
  o Audubon HS/Collingswood HS – Co-Ed Swimming
  o Henry P. Becton HS/Wallington HS – Girls Soccer, B/G Cross Country, B/G Tennis
  o River Dell HS/Westwood HS – Ice Hockey, B/G Swimming
  o Waldwick HS/Midland Park HS – Football, Wrestling
• A handout was provided of the Football Summer Regulations for 2017. Please note that the Blackout Period is only a recommendation and is not required. If you plan on implementing this week please let Jack DuBois know the dates by June 1, 2017.
• The NJSIAA / DAANJ Athletic Directors Course will be held on August 16, 2017.
Kim DeGraw-Cole Report

- A handout was provided with the Boys Tennis, Girls Lacrosse and Softball updates. If you do not wish to participate in the Tournaments please be sure to go onto our website and complete the Tournament Refusal.
- The cutoff date for Tennis is May 2, 2017. Seeding will take place on May 8, 2017.
- Girls Lacrosse seeding will take place on May 12, 2017.
- Softball seeding will take place on May 15, 2017.
- **Please note that the new Fall sports start date of 9/5/17 has been approved by the Executive Committee for all sports, except Football.**

Larry White Report

- Baseball and Volleyball updates were provided in a handout. Please note that the cutoff date for Baseball is Friday, May 12, 2017. On May 15, 2017 njschoolsports.com will be locked at 11:59pm. You will not be able to go in after that time to make any adjustments. Seeding will take place on May 18, 2017.
- The Boys Volleyball cutoff date is Thursday, May 11, 2017. As with baseball, njschoolsports.com will be locked on May 11 at 11:59pm. Seeding will take place on May 16, 2017.
- The Baseball State Semi-Finals and Sectional Finals for the Public/Non-Public Schedule was provided.

Bill Bruno Report

- A handout was provided with Spring Track & Field Championship dates, times and locations. The Meet of Champions will be held at Northern Burlington High School on Saturday, June 10, 2017 at 2PM.
- On Sunday, May 7, 2017 the NJSIAA will be holding a Spring Track Meeting. Each section will be provided with all the necessary materials to host the event that day.
- On Friday, May 5, 2017 a Wrestling Coaches Clinic is being held at Princeton University. This plans to be a very well attended event. The clinic had 60 paid attendees!
- Cross Country dates for the Fall of 2017 have been set. (11/4/17; 11/11/17; 11/18/17) 3 out of 4 of the sites have been secured. When the final site has been secured a notice will go out.

Al Stumpf Report

- If anyone is interested in having a round table discussion at their school as to Unified Sports please send an email to Al Stumpf. Meetings are held with the Special Olympics and it helps clarify any questions or concerns about the Unified Program.
- The Unified Track Deadline has been moved to May 17, 2017. We will not be holding a Sectional Meet due to the fact that the schools would not be at the same site. The Group meets will allow all kids to be at the same sites and compete on the same days with the rest of the athletes.
- Unified Track will not be submitted on milepslit. The Paper/Card Entries will accommodate all the events for Unified.
- A handout was provided as to an additional official for swimming. The Swim Committee approved this recommendation by a 12-0 vote. If approved, the current fee would be adjusted to $240 for teams in the Sectional Finals and State Semi-Finals. This covers the officials, timers and announcers.
- All Golf sites are secure. Entries are due on Friday, May 5, 2017. All entries are emailed to the site director, and checks are sent directly to the NJSIAA.
- Please update njschoolsports.com with your golf records.
- Girls Golf Championship tournament will be held at Watchung Valley Golf Club formally Twin Brooks Country Club on Tuesday, May 23, 2017.
- Boys Golf Championship tournament will be held at Hopewell Valley Golf Club on Monday, May 22, 2017.
Colleen Maguire Report

- The Non-Public Enrollment Form is due back to the office by May 15, 2017.
- Friendly Reminder: The membership mailing was sent out and you should have received your packet. Annual Dues, Resolutions Card and Principal Affidavit are due back to this office on August 1, 2017. Approved purchase orders for the annual dues will be accepted on this date as well. The Coaches Affidavit is due back by September 15, 2017.
- The Absentee Ballot Survey is complete. The Executive Committee will review the results and a vote will be held at the June Meeting.
- A handout was provided with outstanding invoices greater than 90+ days past due. Please contact your conference schools to get in touch with the office.
- The 2017-2018 Budget has been endorsed by the Finance Committee and will be voted on by the Executive Committee at the June meeting.

Mike Zapicchi Report

- A meeting with the Commissioner of Education will be held today, Thursday, May 4, 2017 at 1:30pm to discuss the Transfer Rule which was vetoed.
- Compliance Update: Please be sure to send me an email at mzapicchi@njsiaa.org with any new athletic director’s so that appointments can be set up for a visit. The feedback from the athletic director’s was very positive this year, everyone was welcoming and valued the visits by the officers.
- The Executive Committee brought up a few questions at Wednesday’s meeting as to the Constitution and changes that have been made. Please contact the office of the NJSIAA with any questions, the directors’ will be able to assist you with any questions or concerns.

Conference Topics

- Bill Schilling – Morris Catholic: Currently Morris Catholic has a co-op with DePaul for Ice Hockey. An application is being submitted for a tri-op for Ice Hockey between Morris Catholic, DePaul and St. Elizabeth. If approved, a separate application can be submitted to co-op between St. Elizabeth and Morris Catholic for Field Hockey. A question arose as to why a Non-Public can’t co-op with a Public School. Legislation would need to be submitted in order for this to be allowed, as of right now that is not how the legislation reads.

The next League & Conference Meeting will be held on Thursday, August 10, 2017