STEVEN J. TIMKO REPORT

- Steve opened up the meeting with introduction of all the directors and attendees. He announced that the NJSIAA is proud to now be part of the NFHS and welcomed Don Boyle who spoke on behalf of the NFHS. The NFHS will stream our tournament events and it is very important to get the word out to the schools to let them know about this great opportunity that is now available.
- MSG Varsity and NFHS are brand new corporate sponsors this year.
- Bill Bruno will begin working full time at the NJSIAA on October 1, 2015. His email address is BBruno@njsiaa.org.
- Steve commended Colleen Maguire on an outstanding job giving the office of the NJSIAA a fresh new look.
- Several schools have reached out concerned about the NJSIAA Compliance Initiative. They are worried about whether or not their school will be chosen. Steve understands your position. If something falls through the crack, it will get fixed. Our goal is to help the new AD’s, not to make it more difficult. For example, if there is an issue with the transfer form, it will get reported back to the NJSIAA so that we can resolve the problem. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact either Steve Timko or Mike Zapicchi.
- The Executive Committee passed the 2nd Reading as to Ice Hockey Post Season Player Eligibility. Each player must play 50% of the regular season games in order to play in a championship game.
- The October 7th meeting has been rescheduled to October 14th.
- The NJSIAA Sectional Meeting dates have been adjusted. The September 28, 2015 meeting will be held at the Hilton Doubletree rescheduled from September 18, 2015. All other dates are set.
- The NJSIAA has approved the contract with Drug Free Sports. We are pleased to report that the Steroid Final Report tested 497 athletes with a result of zero positives. We commend all of the athletic directors, coaches and everyone involved with the student athletes for the outstanding results and zero protocol problems. Thank you again for all of your hard work!
- Reviewed timing of the wrestling team tournaments at Pine Belt Arena with all 5 groups.
- The Drone Policy was approved at the Executive Committee meeting on September 16, 2015. Drones are NOT allowed at either the regular or post season games.
- Fall Championship Sites have been selected.
- Fall Tournament Regulations are posted on the website.
- Please remind all students about The Resource Exchange Center (REC). The site allows students to obtain information about substances that they are taking.

Website: www.drugfreesport.com/rec
Organization: NJSIAA
Password: njsports
Don Boyle from the NFHS Network presented a Power Point Presentation on the NFHS Network. The program offers live streaming of events based on a subscription. In order to utilize all the benefits this program has to offer it is important to get this information out to all of the schools.

Skyland Conference

Football officials are having a hard time covering all the games now that the requirement has changed from 5 to 6 officials. A suggestion was made to see if the games could be held on Thursday nights or Saturdays to alleviate this problem. Saturday games are not feasible due to the fact that the custodial staff would have to be paid overtime to come in on that day. Thursday games could work but it would shorten the practice week. There was no conclusion at the meeting as to this issue.

Cross Country: Via HyTek system, a team can enter 8 participants. Up to and on the day of the meet, a coach may add 3 additional participants to their team’s roster. Therefore, a total of 11 participants may be rostered at the meet date...this is a decrease from the 12 participants that have previously been permitted to be rostered.

Jack DuBois Report

Football: A new system is in place to monitor the 90-minute contact football. It was suggested that documenting the times on paper so that a hardcopy record is available is a good way to keep track of the times.

90 Minutes of Contact per week during the regular season, back to back days of contact will be allowed as long as the 90 minute weekly contact limit is maintained.

Football cards have been mailed. The mailing will also include flyers for the NJSIAA/NJSCA 18th Annual Bowling Coaches Clinic, the NJSIAA/Atlantic Sports Health Fall Conference and a flyer from T-Rific Tees for the Go Pink Fundraising Program for Breast Cancer Awareness.

Football: All tournaments slots have been filled. Metlife, Kean University, Rowan University and Rutgers are the Championship Sites for the upcoming year.

Men’s Soccer: There are 2 new sites this year. Carney High School and Hopewell Valley. November 17, 2015 the Men’s and Women’s State Semi Final Double Header in North 1 v North 2. Indian Hills will host Group 2, Millburn will host Group 1. Ridge will host Group 3. Hopewell Valley will host Group 4. In the Central South Semi Finals Neptune will host Group 4. Toms River North will host Group 3. Haddonfield will host Group 1. Saint Augustine Prep will host Group 2. The Non Publics, Karny will host the North Non-Public B. PCTI will host the North Non-Public A. Eastern HS will host the South Non-Public A. Holmdel will host the South Non-Public B.

The NJSIAA/NJSCA 18th Annual Bowling Coaches Clinic will take place at a new site this year. The clinic will be held at Brunswick Lakewood Lanes, 10 Locust St, Lakewood, NJ 08701 on Friday October 2, 2015 from 9am to 2pm.

The NJSIAA/Atlantic Sports Health Fall Conference will be held at the Atlantic Sports Health, 111 Madison Avenue, Sports Health Conference Room (4th Floor), Morristown, NJ 07960 on Wednesday September 30, 2015 from 8:30am to 12pm.

Thank you for your cooperation encouraging coaches’ education. Over the past several months we have held several clinics with a large number of coaches and athletic directors in attendance.

The Volleyball Clinic was held at Livingston HS on August 23rd attended by 40 coaches.

Shoprite Cup had 4 first time winners. Oak Knoll, Ridge, Summit and Shore. Congratulations to all the schools. On October 6, 2015 we will be reviewing the criteria as to the point distribution for the Shoprite Cup. A committee has been selected from each group. If you have any issues, ideas or concerns please contact Jack or any of the committee members for your group. The contacts are: Scott Rosenberg from Kinnelon HS, Lefty Bannos from Haddonfield, Trip Becker from Hopewell Valley, Mike Fanuzzi from Hillsborough HS, Jen Fleury from Villa Walsh representing the Non-Publics. Shoprite, Wilson and Investors Bank have renewed their Corporate Sponsorships this year. We are happy to announce 3 new Corporate Sponsors. MedExpress Urgent Care, The Rothman Institute and Dollamura.

An email will be sent out soon from the Wilson Prep Program which will allow families and students to purchase products online at a 20% discount. This discount cannot be used for athletic equipment.
Kim DeGraw Cole Report

- Classifications have been posted to the website. A hand out was given to everyone at the meeting which explains the process on how the classifications are determined.
- NJ School Sports at njschoolsports.com should be updated with rosters prior to the start of the Season. If you have not done so please complete the Rosters so that we have all the information needed prior to the Tournaments. Your help is greatly appreciated in getting this done in a timely manner.
- Any issues on the website as to the School Manager/Ad Forum please contact Kim directly at KCole@njsiaa.org
- The Fall Tournament information was handed out to everyone at the meeting for Field Hockey, Women’s Soccer and Women’s Tennis.
- The NJSIAA Fall Tournament Refusal Forms are on the website. Teams that don't want to enter and therefore will not be seeded by the Seeding Committee for the 2015 Fall Tournaments Include: Field Hockey, Men’s Soccer, Women’s Soccer, Women’s Team Tennis, Women’s Volleyball. If you DO NOT WANT TO PARTICIPATE - UNCHECK THE TOURNAMENT (S) IN WHICH YOU DO NOT WANT TO PARTICIPATE AND CLICK SAVE when done. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND, A CHECKED BOX MEANS YOU ARE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE. You can always change your participation up until the DEADLINE Date posted at this site! No changes after the deadline will be honored.
- Soccer officials will assign all Tournaments.

Colleen Maguire Report

- 1st Finance Committee was held at which time the audit was discussed. Revenue exceeded expenses by $200,000.00
- 3 new contracts were approved with the NFHS, MSG Varsity and T-Rific Tees
- 70% of the Annual Dues and Membership information have been received. The deadline is October 1, 2015
- Seeding Deadline is October 16, 2015
- A list of Account Receivables was handed out to each Conference. All invoices must be paid or under approved P.O. prior to the deadline of October 16, 2015.

Larry White Report

- Women’s Volleyball Tournament regulations and the dates are set. William Paterson will be hosting the Finals. November 21, 2015 will be the Girls Volleyball Tournament of Champions, out bracket game and semi-finals. November 22, 2015 will be the Girls Volleyball Tournament of Champions. Times are set and are on tournament regulations.
- Girls Gymnastics is set. The 5 sectionals will take place at Ridgewood, Bishop Ahr, Hillsborough, Manalapan and Brick Memorial on November 7, 2015. The finals are set for November 12, 2015 and the individual championships on November 14, 2015 at Montgomery High School.
- Disqualifications were up by 102 over the entire school year from 325 in 2013-14 to 427 this past year. Coaches disqualifications were up by eight, from 44 from 36. Zero disqualifications for violations of the Sportsmanship Policy.
- The Eligibility/Foreign Exchange Application is on the website. If all the necessary items are submitted for review it is usually reviewed and approved the same day.
- The 2015-2016 Constitution and Bylaws is on the website. Click on Resources, NJSIAA Constitution, click on the blue NJSIAA Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations.
- Please do not send in Basketball Forms off the website, they have not been updated for this upcoming year.
- How many public schools allow home schooled kids to compete? Please email Larry at lwhite@njsiaa.org