

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 11, 2026

HIGHLIGHTS

3.1 **CARRIED:** January 14, 2026 Section VI Executive Committee meeting minutes

5.1 **CARRIED:** Combining of Schools applications, numbers (1) through (6)

6.3.1 **CARRIED:** Treasurer’s report

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES

**Agenda item numbers correspond with the athletic council agenda*

*Attendance: (* indicates present)*

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** (D. Lilleck)

Commenced: 9:30am

3.0 **MINUTES** (D. Lilleck)

3.1 ***Motion to approve of the January 14, 2026 Section VI Executive Committee meeting minutes***
CARRIED
Fallacaro-Dougherty/Sortisio

4.0 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** (M. DiFilippo)

4.1 Mandatory AD Workshop – January 22, 2026 at Erie 1 BOCES Feedback
The workshop went well. Weather played a role in the timing of arrival and dismissal of participants for the day. Superintendents will be notified of the mandatory attendance requirement in advance of the summer workshop.

4.2 Section VI/WNYSO Contract Negotiation Update
J. Sortisio and M. Kruzynski to reach out to member leagues requesting feedback regarding contract language.

4.3 Appeals
The Section VI Appeals Committee is scheduled to hear the Stage 2 Appeals for CSP in the sports of Cross Country and Football on Monday, February 23, 2026. Both combined teams were approved to be kept at Class C for the 26-27 school year on January 14, 2026 by the Athletic Council.

4.4 FOIL Request
The FOIL request was initially shared with the Executive Committee in November 2025. M DiFilippo will provide an update to the committee after meeting with the Section's attorney, Erie 1 BOCES attorney, and J. Fregelette, Erie 1 BOCES Executive Director of Administration and Operations.

4.5 Class C Boys Swim Meet @ Maryvale HS
An athlete was disqualified from a race for behavior unbecoming of a swimmer, therefore losing the 1st place finish and cut time for the state meet. The athlete will have another opportunity to compete on Thursday, February 12 at the State Qualifier.

5.0 **COMMUNICATIONS** (M. DiFilippo)

5.1 ***Motion to approve of the Combining of Schools*** Applications COS Status Chart move to 2026Fall Tab
CARRIED
Fallacaro-Dougherty/Sortisio

It was the consensus of the Executive Committee with taking action at executive committee meetings on combining of schools applications. The preliminary approvals will be emailed to the athletic council voting members. Any voting member in disagreement should reply to M. DiFilippo and K. Schon. Any application in question would then be moved to the next athletic council meeting agenda.

Spring 2026

1) Track & Field BG, Existing, **Chautauqua Lake ,** Westfield, Brocton , 325, C, V,, Pending CCAA approval

Fall 2026

2) Football, Existing, **East Aurora,** Holland, 477, , V, 7/8/9, Federated
3) Football, Existing, **Southwestern,** Frewsburg, 334, , V, JV, Federated
4) Football, Existing, **Chautauqua Lake,** Westfield, Brocton Add JV level 5/5/25, 316, , V, JV*, 7/8/9, Federated
5) Football, Existing, **Allegany-Limestone,** Hinsdale, 273, , V, 7/8/9, Federated
6) Football, Existing, **Silver Creek,** Forestville, 244, , V,JV, 7/8/9 & 7/8, if no jv & then 7/8/9, Federated

6.0 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Combining of Schools Committee (J. Sortisio)

Nothing to report.

6.2 Charter Schools Classification Committee (J. Sortisio)

Nothing to report.

6.3 Finance Committee (B. Fadeley)

6.3.1 ***Motion to approval of the Treasurer's report*** (Appendix A)
CARRIED
Fallacaro-Dougherty/Roth

6.4 Sectional/Intersectional (M. DiFilippo)

Nothing to report.

6.7 State Executive Committee/Central Committee

a) Superintendent (J. Sortisio)

Section VI to draft a position paper capturing the concerns of the Schools Without Borders proposed solution and send to ENSSA.

b) Principal (C. Alvarez)

Nothing to report.

c) Female Rep./Male Rep. (M. Fallacaro-Dougherty/J. Roth)

Nothing to report.

6.8 Extended Eligibility (M. DiFilippo)

Nothing to report.

6.10 Transfer/Foreign Student (M. DiFilippo)

The Executive Committee has access to the google document reporting transfers.

6.13 Mixed Competition (C. Alvarez)

Nothing to report.

6.14 Nominations (B. Banker)

6.14.1 Section VI Female Representative (M. Fallacaro-Dougherty) Term Expiration June 2026

- Incumbent wishes to renew term
- Challenger application posted on website, deadline March 1, 2026
- Action item May 13, 2026 athletic council meeting

6.14.2 President-Elect Position, term July 2026 – June 2028

- Action item May 13, 2026 athletic council meeting
- The application is posted on the Section VI website with a deadline of March 1, 2025
- 1 application received

6.14.3 Winter Sports Chairs, term July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2029

- Action Item May 13, 2026 athletic council meeting
- The following incumbents provided intention to renew their terms: Alpine Skiing – Jason Lehmbeck, Boys Basketball – Larry Jones, Boys Basketball Co-Chair – Erik O'Bryan, Girls Basketball – Chris Durr, Girls Bowling – Joe Biondo, Cheerleading – Justina Grudzinski, Boys Ice Hockey – Rick Brooks, Girls Ice Hockey – Rick Hopkins, Boys Indoor Track – Jason Bibler, Girls Indoor Track – Justin Craddock, Rifle – Kristina Brown, Boys Swimming Co-Chairs– Nate Bourke & Chris Miller, Boys Wrestling – Mike DeBarbieri, Girls Wrestling – Tom Shifflet, Unified Bowling – Doug Ames
- The winter chairperson challenger application is posted on the Section VI website with deadline of March 1, 2025. No applications received at present.

6.14.4 Open Position – Boys Bowling Chairperson (term July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2029)

- Application posted on the Section VI website

6.15 Corporate Partners (K. Schon)

Nothing to report.

6.17 Policy Committee (K. Schon)

At the March 2026 athletic council meeting, the recommendation for a formalized, structured process regarding the opt out date will be presented. .

7.0 SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 All WNY Scholar Athlete (J. Roth)

Nothing to report.

7.2 Schools Without Boundaries Ad Hoc Committee (M. Fallacaro-Dougherty)

See agenda item 6.7a

10.0 OLD BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

11.0 NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

12.0 GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURNMENT

12.1 ***Motion to adjourn***
CARRIED
Fallacaro-Dougherty/Sortisio

Section VI NYSPHSAA, Inc.
Treasurer's Report
As of February 6, 2026

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1040.2 · Bankof America CD #2	100,932.97
1040.1 · Bank of America CD	27,649.31
1043.1 · Northwest CD	357,279.25
1050 · Arbiter Pay	53,415.00
1000 · Petty Cash	2,400.00
1030 · Bank of America Checking	247,157.43
1040 · Bank of America Money Market	1.69
1043 · Northwest Savings Bank	100,800.79
Total Checking/Savings	889,636.44
Total Current Assets	889,636.44
TOTAL ASSETS	**889,636.44**
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	0.00

Dedicated Funds

	Received	Accural	Expenses	Current Assets
Boys Ice Hockey	$ 100,000.00	$ 100,000.00	$ 79,180.00	$ 20,820.00
Girls Ice Hockey	$ 56,250.00	$ 56,250.00	$ 23,940.00	$ 32,310.00
Indoor Track	$ 132,600.00	$ 132,600.00	$ 78,339.00	$ 54,261.00
	Budgeted			
State Championships	$ 215,000.00		$ 33,453.00	$ 181,547.00
	$ 503,850.00		$ 214,912.00	$ 288,938.00

FUND BALANCE **$ 600,698.44**