

Student Activities/Athletics Committee Minutes
9/28/2016
6:00 PM in Board Room

In attendance:

Lisa Brady: Superintendent
Doug Berry: Assistant Superintendent
Andrew Klaich: Athletic Director
Rita Kennedy: Board Member
Bob Reiser: Board Member

Agenda:

Memo addressing SAT/ACT/PSAT Dates:

A memo was issued to all schools stating that Sectional/State athletic events will not be changed to accommodate tests. The dates for state and sectional events are given 7 years in advance and it is impossible to accommodate every student's testing needs. This memo has been posted on the Dobbs Ferry Athletic Website since last June and has been addressed at every coaches meeting.

Change in APP process: (Playing Up)

The Tanner guidelines have been lowered from the previous year. Dobbs Ferry still uses the Tanner score as a requirement in the "playing up" process adopted by the BOE and the suggested guidelines from the State of NY.

Overnight Athletic Trips:

Follow up from last May: The Superintendent and Board of Education must approve all overnight travel. The board should be made aware of all planned trips approximately 6 months in advance to allow for appropriate fundraising.

Athletic Interscholastic Handbook: Draft was shared with committee for review and feedback

Family ID:

This is an online program used for registering students for athletics. The athletic department will be launching online registration beginning this winter.

Club cheerleading middle school update:

Club cheerleading will be starting in October. Currently 13 girls are registered.

Club cross country middle school club:

More and more students have shown interest in cross country and track and field yet cannot make meet the requirements to play on a JV/Varsity team. These middle school students do not have

an athletic outlet. The creation of a cross country club would give these students an opportunity to be involved in an athletic environment.

Creation of new teams/merger teams:

We are receptive to any discussions and will always continue to explore available opportunities for our student athletes. The opportunities for these mergers can be limited and depend on the sport.

Parent request for additional support at games:

This is a challenge and can it be resolved with a roster of parent volunteers? Volunteer assistants?

Old Business:

Map our sports offerings back to our Mission - critical thinking, collaboration, independent thinking, leadership, IB Learner Profile. ***Development of athletic mission and vision that is aligned with the District Vision and Mission.***