



**Board of Education
Student Activities and Athletics
Committee**

Minutes

December 14, 2023

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Board of Education Room

Present: Ms. Bass, Ms. Sullivan-Nunes, Mr. Klaich, Mr. Slentz

The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m.

1. **Framing the work** *Committee*
 - a. Review and approval of agenda
The committee approved the agenda

2. **Review of Committee Purposes and Goals** *Committee*
The committee updated the purposes and goals document that is now posted in the committee folder and posted on the committee page on the website.

3. **Updates and Recommendations** *Administration*
 - a. Overnight field trip request
The committee reviewed the field trip request from the boys' baseball team that will now be presented to the Board for approval at the December 19 regular meeting.
 - b. Adapted Physical Education 2023-24
Mr. Klaich provided an update on the current adapted classes that are running at the middle school and at Springhurst. He discussed the strengths of the current programs and the ongoing training that staff are able to receive from SUNY Cortland and from the NYS Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance organization.
 - c. Unified Sports status
The committee discussed the current status of the unified program, the schedule for the upcoming year, and the intention of the district to continue to improve upon the program.
 - d. Athletic facilities requests
The committee discussed possible improvements to our athletics facilities at Springhurst. The committee will continue to review possible improvements including lights on the turf field so as to allow more use by school and community groups during later hours each season. This information will then be shared with the facilities committee.
 - e. Winter sports participation and impacts
The committee reviewed the current number of student athletes in each sport and noted that winter competitive cheer was cancelled due to low participation numbers. Bowling, however, has a high number of students participating this year. The

committee will begin to review participation in a sport and levels of chronic absenteeism to see if there is a relationship.

f. **New sports requests**

Mr. Klaich reviewed other sports teams that had been proposed by student athletes (e.g., modified cross country) and the committee discussed the process and resources needed for starting a new sport. Committee members asked if girls' flag football had been proposed to administration. This has not yet been proposed by students.

g. **Student and staff wellness initiative/Wellness Committee**

Administration will convene the district wellness committee in the second semester to address this topic.

4. **Other**

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5. **Next meeting Date**

Committee

a. January 10, 2024

6. **Adjourn**

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The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.