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James Jacobus, John Lively, Ruth Miller,
Pamela Strollo, and Student Rep. Kaitlyn O'Malley

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**HORSEHEADS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Athletics & Extracurricular Activities Committee
October 3, 2011
4:45 – 5:45
Superintendents Conference Room**

MINUTES

1. **Meeting was called to order at 4:45**
2. **Present: Michael Buck, Warren Conklin, James Jacobus, Pam Strollo, Ralph Marino, Michael McCawley**
3. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**
 - a. Concussions - Current policies and legislation

M McCawley presented the new NY State regulation for concussion management for school districts. It was noted that this regulation was district wide and not restricted to athletes. It calls for the formation of a "concussion management team" and has procedures for the management of the students return to participation in any classroom or extracurricular activity. We will be reviewing current BOE policy and district policies for consistency and compliance with the new regulation. Per this review policy change recommendations will be forward to Policy Committee.

b. Code of Conduct Rules of Eligibility

M McCawley discussed some recent incidents that required interpretation and application of the "Code of Conduct" and "Rules of Eligibility" and noted that the current versions presented some level of concern regarding fairness and consistency in all situations. Additionally there were some areas of verbage that make following the policies as written unwieldy. Discussion continued regarding these concerns. The committee agreed to have M McCawley form a task force of parents, coaches and athletes to review the documents and present recommendations for revisions with the goal of achieving fairness and consistency in application. M McCawley will report the membership of the task force with a full report from the task force in the Spring 2012.

c. Report on Extracurricular Activities Positions/Stipends

R Marino reported that at this time, all funded extracurricular faculty advisor/coach positions are filled.

d. Future agenda items

None recommended by the members.

e. Committee Goals

After discussion the committee agreed that we will craft goals related to 1) reviewing and recommending revisions to the Code of Conduct and Rules of Eligibility pending review of the task force recommendations; and 2) review of district policies related to concussion management and recommendation of policies and procedures to ensure compliance with new state regulations. M Buck will draft formal goals for discussion at the next meeting.

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5. **GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

R Marino presented the state of the softball field upgrades at Broad Street. All work is moving forward except the re-sodding work that is delayed. The reason for the delay is that the sod provider/vendor is unable to harvest due to the wet weather. This delay may make the installation of the new sod a challenge as the weather begins to become colder and may prevent the sod from taking root. There was also discussion regarding the options of either a removable vs permanent installation of a home run fence. R Marino will pursue quotes for both and bring it back to the committee for further discussion.

6. **ADJOURNMENT** Adjourned at 6:15