

Spring Track Post Season Meeting Agenda June 24, 2026 @ 10:00am

1. Welcome and introductions
 - Present, **Meet Directors- Sean Dowd, Tom Concannon, Kathy Hunter, John Schwarz, John Tennero, John MacGillivray, Bill Milone, Marc MacNaughton, Frank Calias. Committee members – Claire Hermann- Morris Hills AD, Anthony Brito- Franklin HS AD, - Curtis Custis-Winslow, Joe Pastva- Sayreville, Mickey Cassua- Gov. Livingston Victor Wu – Head Data manager and tier**
 - NV – designates non – voting member-
2. Review of 2025 Post Season Minutes
 - Reviewed and passed
3. Review of the regular season (Positive / Negative)
 - Coaches not reading the Tournament Regulations- too many coaches think that MileSplit is the official Tournament information site.- **NJSIAA will address Conference Officers at the Leagues and Conference Meetings**
4. Review of the post-season (Positive / Negative)
 - Review of sites- issues. - **Delsea HS will be taking a break after hosting the Sectionals and Group meets. They requested to be kept in mind for future meets after a break. All current sites will be contacted to see if they will continue to host. There are some schools that have shown an interest in hosting – they will be contacted to see if they are interested. ** Please be aware that the NJSIAA DOES NOT assign schools to host – the schools that host do so on a voluntary basis. Non- Public meet is scheduled to go back to Stockton University after Stockton hosted a World Cup team this year. Request by NP schools to move meet to a more central location will be looked at if an NP school steps up to host and the site meets the NJSIAA requirements- most importantly bus and spectator parking and 2 sand jumping pits.**
 - Clarification of late entries – what is allowed and what is not allowed. - **Site Directors asked that the NJSIAA notify them of known changes prior to the beginning of the meeting.**
 - Defining Sectionals and Groups as ONE MEET. - **Even though the Sectional and Groups are 2 days BOTH are considered 1 day meets for entries.**
 - Disrespect shown by coaches towards officials. -**Has been improving- officials will be reminded about the Unsportsmanlike Behavior forms that can be filed with the NJSIAA.**
 - Coaches do not know the proper procedure for protests and what can and cannot be protested.- **Coaches need to read procedure in the NFHS Rule book, Meet directors should review at their pre-meet meetings.**

5. Review of dates for next season- If Approved by Executive Committee:
Start of Practice – March 8, 2027 Competition Start Date – March 15, 2027
 - Sectional – May 21 and 22, 2027 - Public
 - Group Meets – June 4 and 5, 2027- Public and Non-Public
 - MOC- June 9, 2027
6. Review of current regulations and any proposed changes for next season.
 - Will be updated after season dates are set by Executive Committee.
 - Dates will be clarified in the Tournament Regulations
 - MileSplit Directions will be updated.
7. New Business/ Correspondence
 - Should winter track results continue to be used for seeding for spring?
 - Reinforcing that all seeds MUST come from NFHS and/or NJSIAA Sanctioned high school meets against high school competition. No club meet seeds/distances are allowed. - **NJSIAA will continue to allow this if the above requirements are met along with the meet being FAT timed.**
 - Recruitment of new officials. - **Chapters have reported that they are training new officials.**
 - Correspondence- Attached
 - Kent Place -Non- Public Group Site- more centralized site -**NJSIAA is looking into this.**
 - Winslow HS – multiple proposals – VIDEO IS NOT ALLOWED TO BE USED AT ANY NJSIAA SPORT TO OVERTURN AN OFFICIALS RULING- **Awarding of medals at MOC – Meet Director will look into ways to ensure that the athletes are present at the ceremony and that awarding of medals will be done in a timely manner after the completion of the athlete's event.**
 - Proposal for the 4x4 – use a 3-turn stagger to make the race flow better- Committee approved this request but the NJSIAA will look into if the current exchange zones can be used.
 - Proposal- Qualifiers from the MOC must declare their intent to compete in an event by 9 am Sunday (day after Group Meet) so others can be offered spots. Committee approved this.
 - Proposal- Sectional Meets only- because of schools complaining about the length of the Sectional Meets – 100 meters and High Hurdles – all place/ medals will be determined by results of preliminary heats – NO FINALS.
 - NJSIAA will also poll state coaches to see if they would approve 4 jumps with no finals in the Long and Triple Jumps. (Sectionals only)
 - Committee endorsed the idea but wants the NJSIAA to poll coaches on this- will be done through the Leagues and Conferences.
 - Medals for the throwing events will be given out at the field event site on a podium provided by the host school for the MOC.
 - Brick Twp- Restructure of Public and NP Sectionals and Groups and Changing Wildcard structure for advancement.- **Discussed by the committee at length but no proposal or action was taken.**
 - Haddonfield HS- Delaying the running of the 3200 m based on temperature and wet bulb readings- **Discussed – committee will look into this – possible solution run 4x4 before the 3200m if needed.**
 - Oak Knoll – rotation of all Group meets at all host sites on a year-by-year basis- **Committee discussed and felt it was difficult for a school to host the event if their coaches and teams were not at the site to assist in running the meet.**
 - Montgomery HS – HJ and PV opening heights be standardized to be the same at all Group Sites-**Committee felt that if this was done it would exclude some athletes because it is set up based on the athletes at each site.**

- Southern Regional HS- Restructure the NP Championship schedule, Review Order of events, improve announcing and medal presentation at the MOC, Implement qualifying standards for Sectionals- **All discussed as previously noted. NJSIAA still continues to believe that the Sectionals should be open to all athletes that coaches believe deserve to compete in a championship event.**
- Lyndhurst HS, Cresskill HS and Elmwood Park HS – adjust starting times for Sectionals due to travel times to host sites- more centrally located host site needed – **Discussed by the committee, once again, the running of these meets depends on the schools that volunteer to host the event and have facilities that can handle the event. No matter where the host site is located, there will be schools that have further distances to travel than other schools at the same site. Also, the NJSIAA may have to adjust the starting times based on the request of the home schools. Committee showed no interest in adjusting the schedule to end Friday night's events at 8 pm and make Saturday a longer day for the athletes, coaches and officials,**
- **Request by Tom Concannon- for safety reasons throw boys shot put on Friday and Boys Discus on Saturday. Throwing boys discus on Friday puts officials and spectators in danger when it starts to get dark. Very hard to see the discus in twilight. Committee agreed – Sean Dowd will make the change in the tournament regulations.**

8. Old Business **None**

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9. Good of the order.- NJSIAA and Sean Dowd thanked all the Meet Directors for their efforts to give our student athletes a great championship experience.

Move to adjourn- Frank Calise
Second by Mickey Cassu

Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:20 pm