



PIAA DISTRICT ONE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

October 12, 2021 @ 7:30am - via Zoom

Dr. Michael Barber, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30AM.

Present at the meeting: Michael Barber, Steve Brandt, Rodney Stone, Sean Kelly, Danielle Turner, Holly Farnese, Reggie Parks, Shawn Bramble, Janet Columbro, Terri Fasano Seth Bruner, Sue Cornelius, Jason Sherlock, Robert Kurzweg, William Ziegler, RJ Bretz, Todd Vaccaro, Sylvia Kalazs, Lou Sudholz, Joe Derickson, Nancy Monahan, Becky Flynn Hensel, Dee Cross, Denis Gray, Dave Baun, Matt Heiland (Guest: Peg Pennypacker)

Absent from the meeting: Mike Price, Rap Curry, John Creighton, Geoff Per, Tom Brady, Maureen Gregory

Approval of the Minutes

- Upon motion by Todd Vaccaro/Matt Heiland, the committee approved the minutes of District One Committee meeting from September 15, 2021. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**

Treasurer Report

- Upon motion by Sue Cornelius/RJ Betz, the committee approved the Treasurer's Reports for September 2021. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
 - Operating Balance: \$465,589.30
 - Net Change: \$ 5,937.37

Copy of the complete Treasurer's Report is available from the office of Danielle Turner, PIAA District 1 Treasurer.

Student Transfer List

- Upon motion by William Ziegler/Denis Gray, the committee approved all Transfer Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**

Foreign Exchange List

- Upon motion by Sue Cornelius/ Denis Gray, the committee approved all Foreign Exchange Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**

Public Comment - No public comment was made.

Executive Secretary Report – Mr. Stone / Mr. Kelly

- Sean Kelly presented the 2021 Fall Post-Season recommendations. ADs will be reminded to share their school's Health and Safety plans along with any mandates when hosting playoff contests. Home school Health and Safety plans will be followed.
- Sean Kelly provided updates on the Golf, Tennis and Cross-Country Championships. Seed meeting dates are posted on the website. Seed meetings will be held via Zoom.
- Post-season playoff tickets will remain at \$5. District One will not be utilizing electronic ticketing but will continue to reevaluate after the fall season.
- If host schools require spectator limitations – equal representation from each school will be required for post-season contests.
- Upon motion by Danielle Turner/Sue Cornelius, the committee approved the PIAA D1 Playoff Game Manager Fees where tickets are sold. Details will be shared and explained at the Fall playoff meeting. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
 - Game manager – Tickets sold - \$75 / Game manager – Football - \$100
- The PIAA D1 Cross Country Meet will be held on 10/29/21 at Lehigh University. Upon motion by Denis Gray/Shawn Bramble, the committee approved the motion to limit the event to Boys and Girls Varsity events. The Unseeded Race will not be held this year due to Covid-19 concerns in addition to a concern of limited availability of school transportation. **Unanimous (23 Votes).**
- Upon motion by Dave Baun/Denis Gray, the committee approved updates to the District One Playoff Media Policy.
 - School programs will once again be required to pay 50% of live streaming fees for post-season contests where tickets are sold.
 - No media fees will be charged for non-revenue post-season contests.
 - No media fees will be charged for Audio only broadcasts.
 - Football / Basketball Championship contests - 100% broadcasting fee
- The committee directed the District One office to review the PIAA Policies and Procedures for Media. If needed the office will work to create language to all involved that clarify the ownership rights to all D1 Games. **Unanimous (23 Votes).**

- The District One office and Sport Chairpersons will continue to work on securing neutral sites for District One Soccer and Field Hockey Championships. In the event neutral sites cannot be secured for Championship contests, those contests will be moved to the higher seeded team.
- Upon motion by Joe Derickson/Teri Fasano, the committee approved that all Girls Volleyball District One Playoff games (including Championship contests) will be played at the site of the higher seed. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**

PIAA BOD Report – Dr. Barber

- PIAA BOD meeting will be held 10/13/21. BOD Meeting summary will be sent to member schools via email.
- Dr. Barber discussed the details of Ad-Hoc Committee meetings which were held to discuss Game Management and Security Guidelines for game workers and officials. These protocols will be sent to Patrick Gebhart at the PIAA Office for final approval. Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Todd Vaccaro, the committee approved the protocols developed by the Committee. **Unanimous (23 Votes).**

New Business

- Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Joe Derickson, the committee approved the selection process for the assignment of Fall Officials for PIAA D1 Playoff Games. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
- Upon motion by Sue Cornelius/Jason Sherlock, the committee approved the location of York County YMCA as the site for the PIAA D1 Swim Championship to be held on February 25 & 26, 2022. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
- Upon motion by Joe Derickson/Seth Bruner, the committee accepted the submission from Cheltenham High School to ensure their compliance with PIAA Constitution and By-Laws. Cheltenham HS will be required to submit a Winter and Spring report. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
- Danielle Turner, D1 Women's Sports representative will head a committee to recognize the 50TH Anniversary Celebration of Title IX. Anyone interested in serving on this committee should contact Danielle Turner at danielleturner615@gmail.com .

Old Business

- There were no items for discussion or action this month.

Officials Report – Mr. Brady / Mrs. Gregory

- There were no items for discussion or action this month.

Middle School Report – Mr. Heiland

- There were no items for discussion or action this month.

Eligibility Hearings

- Conestoga – Article VI, Section 2C – Postseason waiver request – TBA (MC)
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- Downingtown West – Article VI, Section 2C – Postseason waiver request – TBA
- Faith Christian Academy – Article VI, Section 2C – Postseason waiver request – TBA
- Kennett – Article VI, Section 2C – Postseason waiver request – TBA
- Upper Perkiomen – Article VI, Section 2C – Postseason waiver request – TBA
- Spring-Ford – Article VI, Section 2C – Postseason waiver request – TBA
- North Penn – Article VI, Section 2C – Postseason waiver request – TBA

Eligibility Document Reviews

- The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of three students at **Coatesville HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article III, Section 8B Attendance. Upon motion by Denis Gray/Dave Baun, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
- The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **Council Rock North HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI Section 2C Post Season Waiver. Upon motion by Jason Sherlock/Sue Cornelius, the committee approved the request. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
- The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **Lower Merion HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI Section 2C Post Season Waiver. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/Janet Columbro, the committee approved the request. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
- The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of eight students at **Gwynedd Mercy Academy** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI Section 2C Post Season Waiver. Upon motion by Jason Sherlock/Janet Columbro, the committee approved the request. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
- The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **North Penn HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI Section 2C Post Season Waiver. Upon motion by, the committee approved the request. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
- The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **Avon Grove HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI Section 2C Post Season Waiver. Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Denis Gray, the committee approved the request. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**

- The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **Upper Dublin HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI Section 2C Post Season Waiver. Upon motion by Reggie Parks/Jason Sherlock, the committee approved the request. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**

Upon motion by Nancy Monahan/Teri Fasano, the committee approved adjournment at 9:00AM. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**

The next meeting of the PIAA D1 Committee is scheduled to be held at the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit, Norristown PA on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 @ 1:00PM

Respectfully submitted: HF/SJK



Security Considerations for Sporting Events (9/29/21)

PRIOR to the CONTEST

- Confirm game contracts with officials.
- Head Referee/Official should contact school AD to review game procedures and logistics.
- Provide game officials with directions to the school and appropriate parking areas.
 - Encourage officials to park in close proximity to each other.
- AD / Game manager / Security personnel should introduce themselves to the officials as they arrive at the school.
- Provide game officials with a contact number of AD or Game Manager in case of an emergency or postponement.
- Inform Officials of any special activities that might occur prior to, or at halftime of the contest (i.e., Homecoming, Senior Night, etc.)
- When applicable, AD / Game manager or security personnel should provide the following for the officials:
 - Reserved parking space.
 - Secure dressing / locker room.
 - Escort from locker room to field.
 - Introduction to important game personnel and workers.
- Game help, security and school personnel should be easily identified during the contest.
- Introduce officials to important game personnel (medical staff, scorer, timer, announcer, chain gang).
- All game personnel and officials should know the location of medical personnel during the contest.

- Check facilities, game scoreboards and lighting systems prior to the game or contest. Ensure the playing area is properly marked and meets National Federation guidelines for that contest.
- Ask officials if there are any additional requirements needed for the contest.

DURING the CONTEST

- Game workers must understand their duties and responsibilities pertinent to the contest.
- Establish a universal sign for officials to be able to communicate to the game manager and press box.
- Crowd control and game security must be in proper placement and visible.
- Communicate with the officials during the game regarding crowd control concerns.
- Observe the crowd during the contest and prevent any disturbances that may occur.
- Maintain a clear and safe playing area during the contest.
- Game manager / Security must escort the officials back to the dressing room at halftime and after the contest.
- Provide security for official's locker room.
- Retrieve the game ball at the end of the contest.

AFTER the CONTEST

- Security / Game Manager should escort game officials safely back to the dressing room.
 - Consideration: escort clock operator (if a PIAA Official) back to the official's dressing room.
- Do not allow unauthorized persons in or around the Official's dressing room after the game.
- Security / Game Manager should remain with game officials and escort them to their cars.

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Provide water or refreshments available for the officials after the contest.
- Thank officials for their time and effort, regardless of the outcome of the game.
- Make sure arrangements for paying the officials are completed.
- Insist coaches display good sportsmanship and are proper examples for your players and crowd.
- Have your announcer read the PIAA sportsmanship statement and remain unbiased during the contest.