



## PIAA DISTRICT ONE-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**September 15, 2021 @ 10:00AM - Zoom**

Dr. Michael Barber, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:00AM.

**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, Ken McCormick (for Jason Sherlock), Mike Price, Rap Curry, Robert Kurzweg, Geoff Per, RJ Bretz, Todd Vaccaro, Sylvia Kalazs, Lou Sudholz, John Creighton, Joe Derickson, Jennifer Wilson, Becky Flynn Hensel, Dave Baun, Matt Heiland, Tom Brady, Maureen Gregory

**Absent from the meeting:** William Ziegler, Dee Cross, Denis Gray

### Approval of the Minutes

- Upon motion by Steven Brandt/Sue Cornelius, the committee approved the minutes of District One Committee meeting from August 11, 2021. **Unanimous (29 Votes)**

### Treasurer Report

- Upon motion by Geoff Per/Lou Sudholz, the committee approved the Treasurer's Reports for August 11, 2021. **Unanimous (29 Votes)**
  - Operating Balance: \$59,651.93
  - Net Change: \$18,968.96
- Upon motion by RJ Bretz / John Creighton, the committee accepted the adjustments and explanation of discrepancy in the July treasurer's report.

*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 Matt Heiland/Rap Curry, the committee approved all Transfer Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members except for a student who transferred from IMG Academy to Downingtown West HS. **Unanimous (29 Votes)**

### **Student Transfer List (cont.)**

- Upon motion by Sue Cornelius/RJ Bretz, the committee approved the transfer of the student from IMG Academy to Downingtown West HS. **Unanimous (29 Votes)**

### **Foreign Exchange List**

- Upon motion by Joe Derrickson/Sue Cornelius, the committee approved all Foreign Exchange Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members. **Unanimous (29 Votes)**

**Public Comment** - No public comment was made.

### **Executive Secretary Report – Mr. Stone / Mr. Kelly**

- Discussion – Additional COVID Policies and updates will be discussed at the PIAA BOD Meeting on 9.15.21. D1 Office will forward any guidelines approved or presented from the PIAA.
- Discussion of Playoff Policies. The D1 Office will form a Sub-Committee to review upcoming playoff policies and procedures for the upcoming fall playoffs. The D1 Sub-Committee will offer recommendations at the October Committee Meeting.
  - Revenue & Expenses protocols
  - The use of neutral sites vs higher seed for Championship games.
- Eligibility Hearing Update – a request was made by a member school to review the number of contests a student played in 2018. Upon investigation by the D1 Office and a report by the school in question the student is eligible. The D1 office will continue address any additional questions.
- **D1 Tennis Singles / Doubles tournament** – this season there will be a 28-person Tennis Singles/Doubles event. The scoring will be adjusted to no-ad scoring in the first two rounds to allow for a 2-day tournament vs. a 3-day.
- **PIAA D1 Cross Country Championship** update. The XC will be held at Lehigh University on 10/29/21. The XC format will return to its original format as long as health and safety plans allow.
  - State hotel rooms will not be reserved by the D1 XC Chairman. Individual schools are to reserve their own rooms in anticipation of qualifying for PIAA Championships.
  - The XC un-seeded race will proceed as scheduled. The D1 Committee will review and reevaluate the practicality of the un-seeded race at the October Committee meeting.

### **PIAA BOD Report – Dr. Barber**

- Dr. Barber recapped the information presented at the annual Fall Meeting presented by the PIAA Executive Staff. Additional information will be reviewed at the PIAA BOD meeting on 9/15/21.

## **PIAA BOD Report (cont.)**

- Dr. Barber empaneled an Ad Hoc Committee with D1 Committee members and Official representatives to address contest management and security concern at contests. The Committee will reconvene on 9/22/21 to review documents and materials. The Committee will present its report and recommendations to the D1 Committee in October.
- Schools will be required to submit PIAA enrollment numbers from October 1<sup>st</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup> for the next 2-year cycle. PIAA office will send a letter to every member school in September.
- Dr. Barber reviewed the 50% and 75% in-season transfer rule. Post-season eligibility chart presented by the PIAA office will be sent to all schools and will be included in the minutes.
- PIAA BOD will continue discussion (2<sup>nd</sup> reading) to modify the length of the preseason in the next 2-year cycle. Reduction of the minimum length of preseason practice from 15 days within 3 weeks to 10 days within 2 weeks (exception: golf, tennis, football).

## **New Business**

- Upon motion by Sue Cornelius/Dave Baun, the committee approved the PIAA D1 Competitive Spirit Championship to be held Saturday 1/5/22 @ 9:00AM @ CB South HS. (Snow Date 1/15/22) **Unanimous (29 Votes)**
- Upon motion by Bobby Kurzweg/Ken McCormick, the committee approved the withdrawal of Chester Charter Scholar Academy Middle School from PIAA membership pending PIAA Board of Directors' approval on 9/15/2021. **Unanimous (29 Votes)**
- Discussion - D1 Media Policy. Last season member Schools were permitted to Live Stream in 2020-2021 at no charge. At this point, the previous Media Policy (pre COVID 19) will be in place. The discussion of Commercial organizations fees will also be discussed at the October Committee Meeting.

## **Old Business**

- The D1 Committee will review the structure of the Sport Steering Committees and make a recommendation for the next 2-year PIAA cycle.

## **Officials Report - Mr. Brady, Ms. Gregory**

- The PIAA BOD will pass a policy that will require all officials who work Inter-District (State) Playoff contest to be vaccinated for COVID 19.

## **Middle School Report – Mr. Heiland**

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

## **Eligibility Hearing**

The District One Committee conducted a hearing on behalf of a student at **Cheltenham High School** in reference to Article VIII – Period of Participation – Sections 1 & 6.

At the conclusion of the deliberations the Cheltenham Administration asked the D1 Committee to consider a suspension of the hearing so they could have the opportunity to provide additional and qualifying information. Upon motion by Brandt / Vaccaro, the committee approved the request to table the hearing until additional documentation can be provided by the Cheltenham Administration. **(24-0-1 abstention by Creighton)**. The hearing will be resumed on Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>.

## **Eligibility Document Reviews**

The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **Penncrest HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article III, Section 8B Attendance. Upon motion by Rap Curry/Janet Columbro, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (28 Votes)**

The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **Boyertown HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI, Section 2C Postseason Waiver Request. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/RJ Bretz, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (28 Votes)**

The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **Coatesville HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI, Section 2C Postseason Waiver Request. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/RJ Bretz, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (28 Votes)**

The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **Coatesville HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI, Section 2C Postseason Waiver Request. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/RJ Bretz, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (28 Votes)**

The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **Merion Mercy Academy** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI, Section 2C Postseason Waiver Request. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/RJ Bretz, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (28 Votes)**

The PIAA D1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at **Merion Mercy Academy** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI, Section 2C Postseason Waiver Request. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/RJ Bretz, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (28 Votes)**

The PIAA D1 Committee conduct a document review on behalf of a student at **Owen J Roberts HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI, Section 2C Postseason Waiver Request. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/RJ Bretz, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (28 Votes)**

### **Eligibility Document Reviews (cont.)**

The PIAA D1 Committee conduct a document review on behalf of ta student at **Villa Joseph Marie Academy** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI, Section 2C Postseason Waiver Request. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/RJ Bretz, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (28 Votes)**

The PIAA D1 Committee conduct a document review on behalf of ta student at **Villa Joseph Marie Academy** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI, Section 2C Postseason Waiver Request. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/RJ Bretz, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (28 Votes) (List of students was provided)**

The PIAA D1 Committee conduct a document review on behalf of ta student at **Abington HS** in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws Article VI, Section 2C Postseason Waiver Request. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/RJ Bretz, the Committee approved the request. **Unanimous (28 Votes)**

Upon motion by, the committee approved the motion to adjourn at 12:30pm.  
**Unanimous (28 Votes)**

The next meeting of the PIAA D1 Committee will be held at the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit, Norristown PA on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 @ 1:00PM

*Respectfully submitted: HF/SJK*