



PIAA DISTRICT ONE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2026 - 1:00PM – MCIU 23

Dr. Michael Barber, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:00PM.

Present at the meeting: Michael Barber, Sean Kelly, Holly Farnese, Kevin Wallace, Amy Barr, Becky Murphy, Russ Benditt, Jason Sherlock, Devon Landgraff, Bobby Kurzweg, Frank Flanagan, Joe Sperra, John Creighton, Henry Hunt, Lou Sudholz, John Mullin, Lisa Ford, Joe Derickson, Joe Di Antonio, Jancie Duffield, Joe Voglerl, Becky Flynn-Hensel, Sue Wilson, Ron Reidinger

Absent from the meeting: Stephen Brandt, RJ Bretz, Bill Keenan, Corey Sigle, LaDontay Bell, Dave Baun, Peg Pennepacker

Guest at the meeting: none

Approval of the Minutes:

- Upon motion by Joe Derickson/Lou Sudholz, the committee approved the minutes of District One Committee meeting from May 2026. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**

Treasurer Report

- Upon motion by John Mullin/Henry Hunt, the committee approved the Treasurer's Report for May 2026. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**
 - Operations Balance \$704,907.28
 - Net Change \$ 64,490.03
- Upon motion by John Mullin/Henry Hunt, the committee approved the Treasurer's Report for June 2026. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**
 - Operations Balance \$601,697.41
 - Net Change **\$103,209.87**
- Upon motion by John Mullin/Henry Hunt, the committee approved the Treasurer's Report for July 2026. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**
 - Operations Balance \$569,415.67
 - Net Change **\$ 32,281.74**

A copy of the complete Treasurer's Report is available from the office of PIAA District 1 Treasurer.

Student Transfer List

- Upon motion by Bobby Kurzweg/Henry Hunt, the committee approved the Transfer Student Requests on the list provided to the District One Committee members. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**

Foreign Exchange Student List

- Upon motion by Frank Flanagan/John Creighton, the committee approved the Foreign Exchange Student Requests on the list provided to the District One Committee members. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**

Public Comment – None

Executive Secretary Report –Mr. Kelly

- The District One Committee reviewed and confirmed meeting dates / times for 2026-2027. All meeting dates are posted on the District One Website.
 - The PIAA/D1 Annual Fall meeting will be held via Zoom – September 9th - 10:30am.
- Sean Kelly reviewed the Spring Sports Championships. Thank you to the schools who hosted.
- Sean Kelly presented the Fall / Winter / Spring comparison of 2025-2026 Revenue / Expenses. Financial documents are available upon request. Comparisons also showed the historical revenue and expenses from previous years.
- Sean Kelly reviewed the Springs PIAA DQ reports. The PIAA Reports showed sizeable decrease in the number of Regular and Supplemental ejections.
- Sean Kelly reviewed 2026-2028 Winter Playoff Qualifiers and Brackets. The PIAA still has two readings to approve for the State winter brackets. District One Winter qualifiers are posted on the District One website.
- The Committee discussed NIL / Collective concerns that were shared by the PIAA Office. Member schools are asked to be aware of outside companies who offer their services to assist in fundraising and sponsorships. Any questions or concerns should be directed to the state office.
- The PIAA Track Steering Committee voted to update the para shot put standards. A **3k Shot Put** will now be approved for Para-Athletes in the 2026-2027 seasons.
- Sean Kelly provided Tennis Updates
 - The new PIAA Coaching on the Fly Rule is posted on the D1 and PIAA website. Tennis coaches are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the new rules.
 - The District Girls Tennis Post-Season Dates have been updated and are posted on the website. The District One Office is continuing to work on securing sites for the post-season competitions.

Executive Secretary Report (cont.)

- Sean Kelly has requested the District One Committee approve the purchase of a new computer. The computer will be purchased and set up through the PIAA's technical service provider. Upon motion by Lou Sudholz/Joe Derickson, the committee approved the request. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**
- Sean Kelly provided an overview for future needs for the District One website upgrades and maintenance. The current website platform will likely need to be updated to make it more stable since the current platform is outdated by 5 generations. The website project will also include an addition of a Flag Football Rankings page. The District One office will provide project details as they are provided.

New Business

- The committee reviewed and discussed the self-report from Upper Dublin High School and Haverford High School in reference to their Girls' Basketball Teams playing ineligible players at the NFHS/PIAA sanctioned Philly Live Tournament. Upon motion by Joe Derickson/Henry Hunt the committee requested both school administrations attend the PIAA District One Committee Meeting for additional information. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**
- The committee held discussion in reference to the proposed updates to PIAA By-Laws regarding PIAA sanctioned off-season events (i.e. "Philly Live"). The PIAA BOD will review updated language and guidelines for future events.
- Discussion/Review of District One Track Championship Athlete registration error.
 - Upon motion by John Creighton/Becky Hensel, the committee accepted the report by Pennsbury High School in reference to PIAA District One Track Championship athlete registration error. The girls track program will be on probation for one year in the sport of Girl's Track. **Votes 21- Yes 0 -No Abstain -1 (Sudholz)**
 - Upon motion by Becky Hensel/Frank Flanagan, the committee accepted the report by Merion Mercy Academy in reference to PIAA District One Track Championship athlete registration error. The girls track program will be on probation for one year in the sport of Girl's Track. **Votes 21- Yes 0 -No Abstain -1 (Duffield)**
- PIAA provided the specific language that allows Competitive Cheer tryouts outside the defined PIAA season.
 - PIAA Rules and Regulation: *Competitive Spirit Tryouts can be held outside the defined season, but all other season and out-of-season rules and regulations apply. This would include, but not limit to, each student-athlete having a valid physical prior to participation in a mandatory tryout and the prohibition of 8th grade students participating with students in 10th, 11th, and 12th grades prior to promotion from the 8th grade year.*
- The PIAA District One Committee Members are asked to review District One Feeder school list provided to all committee members. Any feeder school conflicts should be brought to the committee meeting in October

- *A Private School may be a Feeder School for additional all male, all female, and co-educational Private senior high Schools if an average of at least 25% of the alumni of the Feeder School, who enrolled in a Private senior high School over the most recent three-year period, enrolled at each of the applicable Private senior high Schools.*
- The District One Flag Football Steering Committee met in August and provided the following recommendations for approval.
 - Top 16 teams – District One Playoff Qualifiers
 - D1 Playoff Meeting will be on Saturday, May 8, 2027
 - 2027 D1 Playoff dates: May 11, 13, 18 and 20
 - Flag Football will use the District One Power Ranking System to determine D1 qualifiers.
 - Upon motion by Joe Derickson/John Mullin, the committee approved Ron Reidinger as the Flag Football Playoff Assignor. **Yes – 21 No -0 Abstain – 1 (Ron Reidinger)**
 - Upon motion by Joe Derickson/John Mullin, the committee approved the Flag Football steering committee playoff recommendations. **Yes – 22 No**

PIAA BOD Report – Dr. Barber

- Mike Barber reviewed the PIAA BOD report from July Meeting. The BOD summary was sent to member schools and is posted on the PIAA website.
- Dr. Barber reviewed PIAA Fiduciary Responsibilities for all District One Committee members.
 - All Committee members were reminded of proper handling of personal and private information shared in Executive sessions. The Committee was also reminded to identify conflicts of interest, and the use of hearsay in hearings along with the protections of Right to Know.
- This upcoming season, JHS.MS Softball & Baseball teams are permitted to use flexible lineups for sub- varsity contests.
- The NHFS approved Boys/Girls Lacrosse Shot Clock for state adoption. The PIAA Lacrosse Committee will review this information at future meetings. The District One Committee supports the direction for the PIAA to adopt a shot clock.

Old Business

- The District One Tennis Chairperson position is still open in the Fall 2026. Interested candidates can contact the District One Office.

Middle School Report – Joe Vogler

- The District One Athletic Director's Association will host two Zoom meetings for MS ADs on 8/27 and 9/3. Meeting information will be sent out to all MS ADs.

Officials Report – Ron Reidinger & Sue Wilson

- The Committee discussed the numerous Arbiter concerns with schedules and game assignments. There have been a number of meetings and training sessions over the summer months.

- Ron Reidinger and Sue Wilson communicated concerns arising from the Arbiter officials' Game Assignments platform. Schools are cautioned to monitor the site and communicate with assigners and opponents.

The items below are information only.

Eligibility Document Reviews – there were no document reviews this month.

Eligibility Hearings

- Faith Christian (Benner) – Article VIII. Request for additional eligibility (approved 6/23/26)
- Cheltenham / Upper Dublin (Epps) – Article VI. Transfer (denied – 8/7/26)
- William Tennent (Meyers) – Article I and Article VIII. Age Waiver and Request for additional eligibility (approved 8/12/26)
- CCSA (Evans) – Article VIII. Request for additional eligibility (approved 8/12/26)
- Garnet Valley (Weaver) – Article VI. Postseason waiver (approved 8/12/26)

D1 / D12 Regional Eligibility Hearings

- Cheltenham / AW (Montgomery) Transfer Request. (approved 7/24/26)
- Cheltenham / AW (Biddle-Pete) Transfer Request. (approved 7/24/26)
- Cheltenham / AW (Moore) Transfer Request. (approved 7/24/26)
- Cheltenham / AW (Valentin) Transfer Request. (approved 8/14/26)
- Cheltenham / AW (Harrison) Transfer Request. (approved 8/14/26)
- Cheltenham / AW (Haley) Transfer Request. (approved 8/14/26)
- Cheltenham / AW (Wiegand) Transfer Request. (approved 8/14/26)
- Cheltenham / Lansdale Catholic (Ezell) Transfer Request. (approved 8/14/26)

Adjournment

- Upon motion by Janice Duffield/ Joe Di Antonio, the meeting adjourned at 3pm.
Unanimous (22 Votes).
- The Annual District One / PIAA Meeting will be held on September 9TH @ 10:30am via Zoom.
- The next PIAA District One Committee Meeting will be September 9, 2026, @ 1:00PM @ the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit.

Respectfully Submitted SK/HF