



PIAA DISTRICT ONE-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 14, 2024 - 1:00pm at Montgomery County Intermediate Unit

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

All committee members made introductions.

Present at the meeting: Michael Barber, Stephen Brandt, Rodney Stone, Sean Kelly, RJ Bretz, Holly Farnese, Bill Keenan, Sara Kurpel, Shannon Fisher, Stephanie Taylor, Corey Siegel, Mike Semar, Robert Kurzweg, Rob Colyer for Jonathan Bauer, John Creighton, Henry Hunt, Lisa Ford, Joe Derickson, Vicki Zebley, Becky Flynn Hensel, Matt Heiland, Maureen Gregory and Ron Redinger

Absent from the meeting: Jason Sherlock, Seth Brunner, Lou Sudholz, LaDontay Bell, Christopher Jaramillo, Dave Baun, Denis Gray

Guest at the meeting: Seth Frankenfield, **AD** Dock Mennonite Academy

Approval of the Minutes

Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Henry Hunt, the committee approved the minutes of District One Committee meeting from May 8, 2024. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**

Treasurer Report

Upon motion by Mike Semar/Bill Keenan, the committee approved the Treasurer's Report for May 2024. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**

Operations Balance	\$779,618.67
Net Change	\$19,462.25

Upon motion by John Creighton/Matt Heiland, the committee approved the Treasurer's Report for June 2024. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**

Operations Balance	\$744,782.84
Net Change	\$34,835.83

Upon motion by Bill Semar/Joe Derickson, the committee approved the Treasurer's Report for July 2024. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**

Operations Balance	\$699,092.49
Net Change	\$45,690.35

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

Student Transfer List

Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Lisa Ford, the committee approved all Transfer Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**

Foreign Exchange Student List

Upon motion by Bill Keenan/Maureen Gregory, the committee approved all Foreign Exchange Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members.
Unanimous (20 Votes)

Public Comment – None

Executive Secretary Report – Mr. Stone / Mr. Kelly

- Dr. Barber reviewed the expectations and fiduciary responsibilities for the District One Committee members concerning the PIAA Procedures / Standards for District Committee and hearing procedures.
- Mike Barber and Rod Stone informed the committee there are opportunities to communicate with other companies for online ticket platform opportunities. Sean Kelly also informed the committee there are companies that may be interested in advertising through PIAA District One. The Committee offered support to explore the potential advertising opportunities. All potential opportunities will be reviewed by the District One executive members and the PIAA office.
- Sean Kelly presented a review of Spring Playoff revenue and expense reports for each sport.
- Sean Kelly presented the Hometown Ticket yearly report including the number of tickets sold for championship season. Over \$137k District One playoff tickets sold last year.
- Sean Kelly informed the committee the Boys Lacrosse Chairperson position is open. Interested candidates should contact Sean Kelly.
- Sean Kelly presented the PIAA DQ Reports for the Spring 2024 Season.
- Joe Derickson and members of the District One Athletic Director's Association offered a review of the D1 new AD meeting. ADs are encouraged to join the D1 ADA. Any questions, please contact ADA President, Joe Derickson.
- Fall / Winter post-season dates are posted on the PIAA D1 Calendar. The seeding meetings and sport interpretation meeting are on the PIAA D1 Calendar.
- Reminder: Sean Kelly has a new email address, skelly@piaa.org

PIAA BOD Report – Dr. Barber

- Dr. Barber reviewed the updates from the PIAA Summer Workshop / BOD Meeting in July 2024. PIAA Minutes are posted on the PIAA website and have been sent to all ADs.
- The PIAA will continue to review and adjust the Competition Formula. The BOD meeting minutes include the suggested changes / updates
- The PIAA competition committee will continue to review the current Classifications, including the expansion of Girls Volleyball to 6 classifications.
- Due to a conflict at the Giant Center, the PIAA Basketball State basketball Championship dates have adjusted for this year only.
 - PIAA Basketball Semifinals – 3/21-3/22
 - PIAA Basketball Championships – 3/27-3/29.
- PIAA is still working to confirm sites for 2025 Competitive Spirit and Team Wrestling Championships.
- PIAA Flag Football likely to be approved on a 3rd reading at the next BOD. There is a recommendation to wait to fully implement the new sport until the next 2-year cycle. This will allow the NHFS time to develop an Official Rule book so the PIAA can certify officials.

New Business

- Mount St. Joseph Academy presented a self-report in reference to a Basketball Out of Season Rule Violation. Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Matt Heiland, the committee approved the self-report with the following conditions. MSJA basketball program will be placed on probation for one year. Additionally, the MJSJA Administration will follow the self-imposed recommendations that were presented at the hearing.
Votes -Yes 19 – No – 0 Abstain – 1 (Fisher).
- Upon motion by Joe Derickson/ Lisa Ford, the committee approved the Wrestling Committee's 3A Wrestling post-season re-alignment proposal for the 2025 and 2026 post-season. The 3A tournament will include three district tournaments.
Unanimous (20 Votes)
- Upon motion by John Creighton/Lisa Ford, the committee approved the additional varsity football game requests and traditional Thanksgiving Day games. Schools are listed below. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**
 - Morrisville v Bristol
 - Upper Darby v Haverford
 - Lower Merion v Radnor
 - Ridley v Interboro
 - Pennridge v Quakertown
 - Sun Valley v Chichester

- Upon motion by Steve Brandt/Bill Keenan, the committee approved the appointment of Beth Price as the PIAA D1 Cheer Chairperson. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**

Old Business

- Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Henry Hunt, the committee tabled the approval of the PIAA District 1 playoff officials compensation scale. The District One office will review the specific pay scales for each sport and will present new data in September. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**

Middle School Report – Matt Heiland

- MS / JHS Football update. Matt Heiland received clarification that MS / JHS football teams are not required to use a youth size football. The size of the ball is considered an option for teams to use.

Officials Report – Ron Redinger & Maureen Gregory

- Maureen Gregory provided clarifying information and new verbiage regarding the situation if an adult team representative or a coach gets ejected from a contest and does not leave the field/court.
 - Patrick Gebhart, Assistant Executive Director of PIAA, states that any adult who is disqualified from a contest and does not leave the venue and is no longer visible, the contest will continue to conclusion. The officials present will report the non-compliance by the adult. That contest will be forfeited by the offending adult school.

n.b. Shannon Fisher has left the meeting.

Eligibility Hearings

- The PIAA District 1 Committee conducted a hearing on behalf of a student at Bishop Shanahan High School (Springman) in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws – Article VIII. Period of Participation. Upon motion by Joe Derickson/Henry Hunt, based upon the documentation provided and testimony presented, the committee denied the additional eligibility request. **Vote Yes -18 No – 0 Abstain –1 (Redinger)**

n. b. Vicky Zebley has left the meeting

- The PIAA District 1 Committee conducted a hearing on behalf of a student at Cheltenham High School (Jackson) in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws – Article VI. Transfers, Determination of student eligibility. Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Lisa Ford the committee approved the student's transfer and eligibility for the 2024-2025 school year. The committee directed the Principal of Cheltenham High School to meet with all transfer students before signing any paperwork. **Unanimous (18 Votes)**

- A request for additional eligibility by Garnet Valley HS (Cleary) in reference to Article I Age and Article VIII Period of Participation waiver request was denied by a District One Sub-Committee on June 6, 2024. Additionally, there was an appeal to the PIAA BOD on July 16, 2024. The appeal request to the PIAA BOD was denied.

Eligibility Document Reviews

- The PIAA District 1 Committee conducted a document review on behalf of a student at Mount St. Joseph Academy (Brinkerhoff) in reference to PIAA Constitution and By Laws– Article VI, Section 2C - Request for a post-season waiver. Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Lisa Ford, the committee approved the post-season waiver request.

Unanimous (18 Vote)

Adjournment

Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Henry Hunt, the meeting adjourned at 4:00PM.
Unanimous. (18Votes)

The next meeting of the PIAA D1 Committee will be held Wednesday, September 11, 2024.

The PIAA Annual Fall Meeting for Principals and Athletic Directors will be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, at Norristown HS – 9:30am. Details will be sent by the District One Office.

Respectfully Submitted SK/HF