



## PIAA DISTRICT ONE-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 10, 2023 @ 1:00PM

### Montgomery County Intermediate Unit

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

**Present at the meeting:** Michael Barber, Stephen Brandt, Rodney Stone, Sean Kelly, Holly Farnese, Bill Keenan, Stephanie Taylor, Shannon Fisher, Corey Siegel, Jason Sherlock, Mike Semar, Robert Kurzweg, Cyndi Moss, RJ Bretz, Todd Vaccaro, Sylvia Kalazs, John Creighton, Geoff Per, Joe Derickson, Becky Flynn Hensel, Nancy Monahan, Matt Heiland, Denis Gray, Maureen Gregory

**Absent from the meeting:** Danielle Turner, Madeline Mulhall, Seth Bruner, Rap Curry, Lou Sudholz, Vicki Zebley, Dave Baun, and Tom Brady

**Guest at the meeting:** None

#### Approval of the Minutes

- Upon motion by Jason Sherlock/Geoff Par, the committee approved the minutes of District One Committee meeting from April 15, 2023. **Unanimous (21 Votes)**

#### Treasurer Report

- Upon motion by Joe Derickson/Geoff Par, the committee approved the Treasurer's Reports for April 2023. **Unanimous (21 Votes).**

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| Operations Balance | \$680,575.68        |
| Net Change         | \$ <b>51,575.81</b> |

*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 Todd Vaccaro/Denis Gray, the committee approved all Transfer Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members. **Unanimous (21 Votes)**

**Foreign Exchange Student List** - No requests this month.

**Public Comment** - No public comment this month.

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

- Sean Kelly provided a report of Spring sport playoffs and championships. Seed meeting information and reminders were sent to member schools. Brackets and results will be posted to the website throughout the post-season.
- The game manager’s spring playoff meeting will be held via Zoom on Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. Zoom link was sent to all ADs.
- Dr. Barber and the District One office offered congratulations and thanks to the following PIAA ADs on their retirements.
  - Ron Reidinger, Bishop Shanahan
  - Ken McCormick, WC Henderson
  - Terri Fasano, GMA
- D1 Office asks that leagues send Sean Kelly any changes to their D1 Committee members over the summer.
  - Welcome Shannon Fisher, President AACA (replacing Terri Fasano)
  - Good luck and thank you to the following Committee members who are moving on next year and leaving the D1 Committee. Thank you for your time and dedication to our student-athletes.
    - Maddie Mulhall, BAL, Faith Christian
    - Nancy Monahan, PSBA
    - Todd Vaccaro, SOL Abington HS
- Sean Kelly reviewed the D1 Committee meeting dates and times for 2023-2024. Meetings will be confirmed once the PIAA BOD sets their meeting dates.
- Sean Kelly presented concerns involving the District One Tennis tournament. This season and in past seasons, players have chosen not to play (“walk-overs”) in Championship and playback matches. After lengthy discussion, the D1 Committee referred this concern back to the D1 Tennis Steering Committee. The Tennis Committee will be tasked with providing a solution to prevent these situations and outcomes in the future

**PIAA BOD Report** – Dr. Barber presented the PIAA Board of Directors and Strategic Plan meeting updates.

- PIAA D1 Leadership continues the discussion to include all sports in the Competition/Success Formula. Motion passed on a first reading.

- PIAA Board of Directors continues discussion of enforcement of NIL Policy and establishing proper penalties if the policy is violated. NIL will be discussed at the upcoming PIAA BOD meetings.
- PIAA Board members expressed concerns about inaccurate and incomplete PIAA Eligibility reports submitted on the PIAA portal. The PIAA office will examine possible solutions and penalties if eligibility lists are not completed properly uploaded.
- Next PIAA BOD meeting is scheduled for May 17<sup>th</sup>.

## **New Business**

- Upon motion by RJ Bretz/John Creighton, the committee approved the appointment of Dr. Michael Barber as PIAA D1 Chairman for 2023-2024. **20- Yes -0 – No 1-Abstained (Barber) Votes**
- Upon motion by Mike Semar/Becky Flynn Hensel, the committee approved the appointment of Stephen Brandt as PIAA D1 Vice Chair for 2023-2024. **20 – yes – 0- No – 1 – Abstain (Brandt) Votes**
- Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Matt Heiland, the committee approved the appointment of Lisa Ford, AD at Interboro High School as the PIAA Women’s Athletic Representative for 2023-2024. **Unanimous (21 Votes)**
- Upon motion by Joe Derickson/Nancy Monahan, the committee approved District One membership of Martin Luther HS, Plymouth Meeting, PA. **Unanimous (21 Votes)**. The PIAA BOD will consider the application in May.
- Upon motion by Maureen Gregory/Bobby Kurzweg, the committee approved the selection process for the assignment of PIAA officials to the D1 and PIAA playoffs. The motion certifying the assignment is completed in an objective and non-discriminatory fashion. **Unanimous (21 Votes)**
- Upon motion by Joe Derickson/RJ Bretz, the committee accepted the self-report submitted by Lower Moreland High School. The report addressed concerns of an ejected player and coach. In addition to the playing of an ineligible player and coach which resulted in a forfeited contest. No further action was taken. **Unanimous (21 Votes)**
- Upon motion by Geoff Per/Matt Heiland, the committee accepted the Pennridge HS – Football Season and Out of Season Rule Violation Self Report. The athlete involved participated in a contact football contest after the season. The student will be suspended for the first Varsity football contest of the 2023 Season. **Unanimous. (21 Votes)**.
  - The District One committee also requested that District One leadership introduce the discussion of out of season football contact rules to the PIAA Strategic Plan committee as an agenda item.
- Seth Brunner, Chair of the Competitive Balance Sub-Committee Report announced an initial meeting will be held on June 7<sup>th</sup> via zoom. Additional meetings will be scheduled over the summer and in the fall of 2023.
- Upon motion by Denis Gray/Stephen Brandt, the committee approved the Human Resource Committee recommendation to direct Rod Stone and Sean Kelly to investigate options for the addition of financial bookkeeping services for District One. If needed, the contracted services shall not exceed \$15,000. **Unanimous (21 Votes)**

- Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Joe Derickson, the committee approved the Operations Committee recommendation to increase the base amount for Officials' fees for District One playoffs and championship events by 5% for 2023-2024 school year. **Unanimous. (21 Votes)**
- Upon motion by Dennis Gray/Cyndy Moss, the committee approved the Human Resource Committee recommendation to increase the payment to Mike Barber, Danielle Turner, and Holly Farnese by 5%. **20 -Yes– 0 -No – 1 -Abstain (Barber) Votes.**
- Upon motion by Denis Gray/Todd Vaccaro, the committee approved the Human Resource Committee recommendation to increase the PIAA BOD meeting per diem payment to Stephen Brandt by \$350 per PIAA meeting. **20 – Yes – 0 – No- 1 – Abstain (Brandt) Votes**
- Upon motion by Denis Gray/Stephen Brandt, the committee approved the Human Resources Committee recommendation to increase the salary of Rod Stone and Sean Kelly by 5%. **Unanimous (21 Votes)**

### **Old Business**

- Matt Heiland shared the results of the survey for the PIAA D1 Media Policy in reference to Flat Fee Rate. No action was taken. There will be continued discussion and review of the current media policy over the summer.

**Officials Report** – Tom Brady & Maureen Gregory. There was no business to present to the committee this month.

**Middle School Report** – Matt Heiland. There was no business to present to the committee this month.

**Eligibility Document Review** - There were no Document Reviews this month.

### **Eligibility Hearings**

The committee received the following results from the Eligibility Hearing Sub-Committee.

- Lower Merion (SN) – Article VI. Postseason waiver request – Approved May 3, 2023
- WCR (LG) – Article VI. Postseason waiver request – Approved May 3, 2023
- DTE (JW) – Article VI. Postseason waiver request – Approved May 3, 2023

### **Adjournment**

Upon motion by Todd Vaccaro/Nancy Monahan, the Committee approved the motion to adjourn at 3PM. **Unanimous (21 Votes)**

The next meeting of the PIAA D1 Committee will be scheduled for August 9, 2023 @ 9am at Montgomery County IU.

*Respectfully Submitted SK/HF*