



## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**November 14, 2018 – 1:00PM**

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

**Present at the meeting:** Michael Barber, Rodney Stone, Sean Kelly, Holly Farnese, Janet Columbro, Mary Jo McKenzie, James Stewart, Matt Heiland, Reggie Parks, Steve Brandt, Seth Bruner, Sue Cornelius, Jason Sherlock, Matt Gionta, Pat Nugent, Russ Wren, Eric Greiner, Sylvia Kalazs, John Reading, Todd Vaccaro, Robert Findlay, Dee Cross, Diane Di Bonaventuro, Denis Gray, and Tom Brady and Maureen Gregory

**Absent from the meeting:** Randy Ireson, Danielle Turner, Lou Sudholz Barbara Clarke, Dave Baun, Dan Horan, and Pete Forjohn.

- I.** Upon motion by Steve Brandt/Jason Sherlock, the committee approved the minutes of the October 10, 2018 Committee Meeting. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**
- II.** Danielle Turner, Treasurer was absent from the meeting due to the conflict with a special PIAA Meeting. Ms. Turner will present October and November at the December Committee Meeting. Copies of the complete Treasurer's Reports are available for review with Danielle Turner, Treasurer.
- III.** Upon motion by Sue Cornelius/John Reading, the committee approved all October 2018 Transfer Students' requests submitted for review on the provided list. **Unanimous (23 Votes).**

Upon motion by Todd Vaccaro/Sue Cornelius, the committee approved all October 2018 Foreign Exchange Students' requests submitted for review on the provided list. **Unanimous (23 Votes)**

**Public Comment** - No Public Comment was made at this meeting.

#### **IV. PIAA BOD Report – Dr. Barber**

There is no PIAA Update due to the Equity Summit being held today, November 14, 2018. Next PIAA BOD Meeting, December 5, 2018

#### **V. Executive Secretary Report - Mr. Stone/Mr. Kelly**

- Rod Stone/Sean Kelly presented the 2017-2018 Audit Letter and Report. All members of the committee have the draft audit information and are asked to share with their league members.
- Rod Stone/Sean Kelly presented a review of the 2017-2018 PIAA D1 Revenue and Expenses Reports.

- Rod Stone/Sean Kelly reported on the first season using the new PIAA D1 Website. There were challenges as well as successes. The product overall has received positive responses, is easy to navigate, and changes will be made to make it even better.
- Sean Kelly noted the D1 Website contains a [Track History 1925-2018](#). It is an outstanding historical perspective. Thank you to Ron Lopresti among others for compiling the articles and information.

## **VI. Old Business**

- D1 Football Schedule Discussion - The Committee members were asked to discuss and express their league's position in reference to re-exploring a D1 Football Schedule. Del-Val and Ches-Mont League expressed interest in further study of a D1 Football Schedule. SOL, PAC, Central and BAL expressed no desire to address the issues. AACA abstained.

## **VII. New Business**

- Upon motion by Robert Finlay/Steve Brandt, the committee approved the withdrawal of Richboro MS (Council Rock School District) from PIAA due to the closing of the school. **Unanimous (23 Votes).**
- The committee reviewed the reports from Holy Ghost Prep and Strath-Haven High School in reference to an issue at a boys' playoff soccer game. Upon motion by Steve Brandt/Robert Finlay, the committee approved the reports from both schools. **Unanimous (23 Votes).**
- Rod Stone presented information in reference to concerns of the Tennis Tournament and students missing school. Main issues are PIAA D1 Committee cannot receive court time in the evening and Saturdays. Upon motion by Denis Gray/Pat Nugent, the committee approved the motion to refer the matter to the tennis steering committee. **Unanimous (23 Votes).**
- Sean Kelly made a report in reference to the need to establish a minimum number of games to be played to qualify for D1 playoffs. This topic is moved to the individual sport steering committees for their recommendations.
- Sean Kelly made a report in reference to discussion moving toward the use of D3/DXI Power Ranking System vs. the present D1 system. This topic is moved to the individual sport steering committees for their recommendations.

## **VIII. Officials Report**

Tom Brady and Maureen Gregory reported the district playoffs went well. Officials had no issues and schools have no issues. All are reminded a PIAA school must use PIAA officials. The lack of available officials for playoff games was a point of discussion.

## **IX. Middle School Report**

No items needing committee action/attention this month.

## **X. Hearings**

The PIAA District 1 Committee conducted a hearing on behalf of a student at Faith Christian Academy in reference to PIAA By-Laws and Constitution Article 1, Age, Section 1 and 3. Upon motion by Patrick Nugent/Denis Gray, the committee denied eligibility, as it has no jurisdiction in this matter to suspend application of the rule.

**Unanimous (23 Votes).**

## **X. Hearings (cont.)**

The PIAA District 1 Committee conducted a hearing on behalf of a student at Norristown High School in reference to a waiver of PIAA By-Laws and Constitution Article VI – Section 2B. Upon motion by Robert Findlay/Ricci Parks, the committee approved the student’s request to provide a waiver for post-season play. **Unanimous (23 Votes).**

*n.b. Janet Columbro, Todd Vaccaro, Jason Sherlock, and Steve Brandt have exited the meeting.*

The PIAA District 1 Committee conducted a Transfer Waiver hearing on behalf of a student from Norristown Area High School who transferred from Upper Merion HS. Upon motion by Robert Findlay/Seth Bruner, the committee approved the transfer granting the student eligibility. **Unanimous (19 Votes).**

The sub-committee approved the request.

On Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, a District One sub-committee reviewed documentation and approved a waiver of PIAA By-Laws and Constitution Article VI – Section 2B. This hearing was requested by Upper Darby HS. The student was granted postseason eligibility. A report was presented to the D1 Committee on 11/14/18.

Upon motion by Russ Wren/Mary Jo McKenzie, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm. **Unanimous (19 Votes)**

The next District One Meeting will be Wednesday, December 12, 2018 @ 1PM @ The Montgomery County Intermediate Unit, Norristown, PA.

Respectfully submitted,

HF/SJK