

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

February 14, 2018 – 1:00PM

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

Present at the meeting: Michael Barber, Randy Ireson, Rodney Stone, Sean Kelly, Danielle Turner, Holly Farnese, James Stewart, Michael Walker, Matt Heiland, Mary Jo McKenzie, Janet Columbro, Don Walsh, Steve Brandt, Sue Cornelius, Jason Sherlock, Chris Lunardi, Matt Gionta, Pat Nugent, Russ Wren, Eric Greiner, Sylvia Kalazs, Bill Bartle, John Reading, Todd Vaccaro, Dave Baun, Pete Forjohn, Diane Di Bonaventuro, Barbara Clarke, Tom Brady, and Maureen Gregory

Absent from the meeting: Louis Sudholz, Dee Cross, Denis Gray, and Dan Horan

- Upon motion by Todd Vaccaro/John Reading, the committee approved the minutes of the January 2018
 Committee Meeting. Unanimous (27 Votes)
- **II.** Danielle Turner presented the Treasurer's Report for January 2018. Upon motion by Janet Columbro/Jim Stewart, the committee approved the Treasurer's Report for January 2018. **Unanimous (27 Vote)**

Operations Summary \$721,321.78
Reserves Summary \$100,730.07
Total \$822,051.85

Copies of the complete Treasurer's Reports are available for review with Danielle Turner, Treasurer.

III. Upon motion by Randy Ireson/Todd Vaccaro, the committee approved all Transfer Students requests submitted for review on the provided list. **Unanimous. (27 Votes)**

There were no Foreign Exchange Students requests submitted for review this month.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. John Burns made public comment in reference to boundaries and non-boundaries observations. His concern is a competitive in-balance. His request is to have the PIAA BOD re-evaluate the findings and review information from the PIAA Competition Committee. Upon motion by Dave Baun/Pat Nugent, the committee has directed the PIAA D1 Chairperson to request an item be added to the PIAA Competitive Committee Agenda to continue to collect data and make recommendations on this topic. **Unanimous. (27 Votes)**

IV. PIAA BOD Report

Dr. Barber expressed his appreciation to Tom Brady and Maureen Gregory for their outstanding service as the PIAA D1 Officials Representatives. Dr. Barber also congratulated both on their re-election to the PIAA DI Committee.

Dr. Barber presented the January 24, 2018 PIAA Board of Directors Meeting Report. Minutes from the January 24, 2018 PIAA BOD Meeting were distributed to all member school ADs.

- 1. Article XII, Section 1 and 3 Athletic Relations (revised). Teams which member schools can play, requirements of written contracts.
- 2. In–Season Transfer- 50% season rule- 2nd reading
- 3. PIAA Litigation Update
- 4. FH OT rule change specific details will be reviewed at pre-season FH Meetings

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

- Mount Saint Joseph and Villa Joseph Maria Academy appealed a decision made by the PIAA D1 Committee to the PIAA Board of Directors. The D11 decision was upheld at the state level.
- There was a hearing conducted by a D1/DXI Regional Hearing Panel on behalf of a student who transferred from Quakertown High School to Bethlehem Catholic High School. The transfer was denied.
- There is an updated PIAA Uniform Modification Form available on the PIAA website. Schools are encouraged to use this form for requests for uniform modifications and religious purposes.
- Sean Kelly presented the Soccer Steering Committee Meeting Report.
- Sean Kelly presented the Tennis Steering Committee Meeting Report.

VI. Old Business

Upon motion by Mike Walker/James Stewart, the committee adjourned to executive session to discuss the topics listed below.

Unanimous. (27 Votes)

• Discussion/Approval of Proposal for Score Reporting/Power Ranking Website

Upon motion by Danielle Turner/ Janet Columbro, the committee returned to public session. Unanimous. (27 Votes)

Upon motion by Sue Cornelius/Danielle Turner, the committee approved the motion to secure the services of IQNection to be the platform for the website in reference to Score Reporting/Power Ranking.

Unanimous. (27 Votes)

• The presence of Charitable Organizations at D1 Championship Events - Upon motion by Randy Ireson/Todd Vaccaro, the committee approved the formation of a subcommittee to explore and make written recommendations for procedures to allow individual schools to support charitable organizations at events. The Sub-Committee will be chaired by Randy Ireson. Committee members will be Dave Baun, Todd Vaccaro, Matt Gionta, Chris Lunardi, Rodney Stone and Lou Sudholz. Unanimous (27 Votes).

VII. New Business

• The D1 committee received reports from Penn Wood High School and Academy Park High School in reference to a Basketball Incident. The Del-Val League has formed a sub-committee to prepare and pursue the preemptive side to prevent vs. react. Upon motion by Tom Brady/Pat Nugent, the committee stated all parties took appropriate action and accepted the reports from both schools. Unanimous. (27 Votes)

- Strath Haven High School submitted a self-report indicating the use of an ineligible wrestler. Upon motion by Danielle Turner/John Reading, the committee requests that Strath Haven High School resubmit the report to address the policies and procedures the school currently follows to track eligibility of all athletes. The report will be reviewed at the March meeting. **Unanimous. (27 Votes)**
- The PIAA D1 Committee members were asked to review the Power Ranking System (system used by Basketball, FH, Soccer, Softball and Lacrosse) and the way winning percentages are calculated for non-D1 opponents. Different sports seem to be using different methods to calculate a non-D1 Opponent's winning percentage. Given the need for consistency, the committee recommends all league representatives seek comment from the league schools. Input from Sport Chairs and Tabulators will also be collected. A vote will be taken at the March Committee Meeting.
- Upon motion by Randy Ireson/Steve Brandt, the committee confirmed that all procedures have been followed
 to assigning officials with no discriminatory practices for all Winter D1 and PIAA playoffs.
 Unanimous. (27 Votes)

VIII. Officials' Report

- D1 Official's reps ask all schools to enforce the rule that the official basketball scorekeeper be attired correctly in the striped official shirt.
- D1 Official's reps ask all host schools to ensure the basketball-coaching box is clearly defined on the court.

IX. Middle School Report

No items needing committee action/attention this month.

X. Hearings

As discussed at the February PIAA DI Committee Meeting, representatives from Girard College appeared before
the D1 Committee and reported on the steps they will be taking to ensure compliance of PIAA rules and
regulations.

n.b. Bill Bartle, Michael Walker and Pat Nugent have left the meeting.

The PIAA District 1 Committee conducted a hearing on behalf of a student at Unionville High School pursuant to
PIAA Member School Athletic Transfer Waiver Request. Upon motion by David Baun/Steve Brandt, the committee
approved the transfer request. Yes- 15, No-8 (Wren, Di Bonaventuro, Walsh, Gionta, Vaccaro, Lunardi,
Cornelius, Turner) Abstain-1 (Barber)

Upon motion by John Reading/Barbara Clarke, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm. Unanimous (24 Votes)

The next District One Meeting will be Wednesday, March 14, 2018, 1:00PM @ The MCIU23.

Respectfully submitted,

HF/SJK