

B PIAA DISTRICT ONE COMMITTEE
Annual Meeting
September 14, 2016
9:30AM

Rodney Stone, District One Executive Secretary, called the meeting to order @ 9:30AM.

- Mr. Stone presented the PIAA District One Operational Update

Dr. Michael Barber, District One Chair introduced all members of the PIAA District One Committee.

Dr. Robert Lombardi, Executive Director of the PIAA, Mark Byers, PIAA Chief Operating Officer, and Jennifer Grassel, PIAA Assistant Executive Director presented the Constitution, By-Laws, and Rules and Regulations Update. These are included in the new handbook and additions in these minutes. The PIAA Board of Directors passed numerous By-law amendments.

- Coaching Education Certification will be required beginning 2016.
- Reviewed the new classifications already established
- Discussed additional possible classifications for other sports
- The PIAA Strategic Planning Committee is reviewing the transfer rule procedures
- A 20 wrestler bracket is in effect for the 2016-17 school year and will be further reviewed and evaluated at the end of the season by the wrestling steering committee
- Reviewed the enforcement of the NFHS 2017 Baseball Pitching Rule.
- A concussion class action suit has been filed in Lawrence County. Preliminary objections are awaiting decision of the court.
- Mark Byers reported on the unionization of sports officials and is waiting decision of NLRB on the PIAA appeal
- PIAA website lists preferred providers for music selection for competitive spirit to eliminate copyright infringement for schools
- Final sites for girls and boys lacrosse are under bidding process for the next two years

Dr. Barber presented information from the PIAA District One Committee for the 2016-17 school year.

- The PIAA District One Committee has a mission to present quality services for all athletes while being fiscally responsible to all schools.
- The Executive Committee will be meeting with all of the chairpersons of steering committees in every sport in PIAA District One. The executive committee will discuss the operations of each tournament and the fiscal requirements of each tournament. This information will guide the PIAA District One Committee in offering quality tournaments
- All assignors of officials to contests in the PIAA District One will be transitioned to use The Arbiter as the schedule software tool for officials for all events at the high school level for 2016-17.
- Each of the sport steering committees has a member of the PIAA District One Committee assigned as a liaison.
- All PIAA District One Team Tournaments will be seeded using a point system. The point system for each sport has been identified by the steering committee of each sport. It is imperative for coaches to report scores of their events to the designated person for each sport. The designated point system is located on the PIAA District One website.

- **ALL FORMS SENT TO THE PIAA DISTRICT ONE OFFICE MUST BE TYPED BEFORE SUBMISSION.**

- Please check all Transfer Forms for completeness and accuracy before submitting to the PIAA District One Office.
- The PIAA District One Directory is included in the distributed Handbook.

Mr. Stone introduced the following schools, honored with the PIAA Sportsmanship Awards.

Holy Ghost Prep School
Church Farm School
Delaware County Christian School
Jenkintown Middle School
WC Henderson High School
Kennett High School
Stetson Middle School
Springfield Township Middle School
Upper Darby High School
ET Richardson Middle School
Interboro High School
Penn Wood Middle School
Gwynedd Mercy Academy
Phoenixville High School
Unionville High School
Upper Perkiomen High School
Pottsgrove Middle School
Upper Moreland High School
Quakertown High School
Abington High School

Mr. Rodney Stone, Executive Secretary of the PIAA District One Committee entertained closing questions.

All interested persons are invited to stay for the September District Committee Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00AM.