



PIAA DISTRICT ONE-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

September 17, 2025 1:00PM – Colonial Elementary School

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

Present at the meeting: Michael Barber, Stephen Brandt, Rodney Stone, Sean Kelly, RJ Bretz, Bill Keenan, Seth Frankenfield, Amy Barr, Becky Murphy, Seth Brunner, Corey Sigle, Jason Sherlock, Devon Landgraff, LaDontay Bell, Robert Kurzweg, Jonathan Bauer, Joe Sperra, Henry Hunt, Lou Sudholz, John Mullin, Lisa Ford, Joe Derickson, Peg Pennepacker, Becky Flynn-Hensel, Ron Redinger, Maureen Gregory

Absent from the meeting: Holly Farnese, Dave Baun, Denis Gray, John Creighton, Vicky Zebley

Guest at the meeting: Dr. Barber welcomed student interns (3) from Gwynedd Mercy Academy

Approval of the Minutes

- Upon a motion by Bretz / Kurzweg, the committee approved the minutes of District One Committee meeting from August 2025. **Unanimous (24 votes)**

Treasurer Report

- Upon a motion by Brandt / Sudholz, the committee approved the Treasurer's Report for August 2025. **Unanimous (24 votes)**
 - Operations Balance \$599,702.19
 - Net Change \$ **5,607.50**

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

Student Transfer List

- Upon a motion by Bretz / Mullin, the committee approved the Transfer Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members. **Unanimous (24 votes).**

Foreign Exchange Student List

- Upon a motion, the committee approved the Foreign Exchange Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members. Student from Faith Christian was removed. **Unanimous (24 votes)**

Public Comment – None

Executive Secretary Report – Mr. Stone / Mr. Kelly

- Sean Kelly previewed the Fall Sport Playoffs. Playoff dates and information are posted on the District One website. ADs are asked to review schedules and game results as we approach the post-season.
- Reminder to all ADs - PIAA enrollment classification reports will open October 1st and close October 15, 2025. PIAA will be sending out emails to all member schools.
 - Make sure school contact information is updated on the PIAA website
 - Submit enrollment numbers 10/1 – 10/15
 - Enrollment corrections must be submitted before 11/15
 - Voluntary increase in enrollment classification must be sent to PIAA office.
- The committee held discussion in reference to Foreign Exchange / International Student v Foreign Student. The District One office will continue to work and gain clarity for the paperwork requirements.
- Discussion was held in reference to the PIAA / District One Ticket policy. District One will continue to utilize Hometown electronic ticketing. The District One office will provide specific guidance. No cash at games will continue.

New Business

- The committee conducted a hearing in reference to the Neshaminy Boys Volleyball Self-report and the use of an ineligible player during the 2025 District One playoffs. The Committee accepted AD Pennington's report and the school's self-imposed sanctions. The Committee placed the Neshaminy Boys Volleyball program on probation for a period of one year with additional conditions. Upon motion by Sudholz / Brandt, the District One Committee accepted the recommendations. **Unanimous (24 votes)**
- The District One Committee recommended Jim Cairnes, AD Wissahickon HS, to serve as the PIAA District One Flag Football Chairperson. Upon a motion by Bretz / Spera the District One Committee accepted the recommendation. **Unanimous (24 votes)**

- District One will establish a Flag Football Steering Committee based on the current District One policy. Currently the number of schools sponsoring Flag Football - SOL 20 / AACA 2 / BAL 1 / Central 4 / Ches-Mont 6 / Del Val 6 / Pac 8). The number of schools and number of steering committee members will be reevaluated after the new classifications are established.
- The District One Committee voted to formally allow elected members of the District One Executive Office and Principals who serve on the District Committee to officiate and chair eligibility hearings when necessary. Upon a motion by Bauer / Sherlock the District One Committee accepted the recommendation. **Unanimous (24 votes).**

Old Business

- Seth Brunner led discussion in reference to the current District One Media Policy and the fees for school-based student broadcasting groups. Upon a motion by Brunner / Keenan, the Committee accepted the recommendation to only charge a media fee for Football playoff contests and other sport Championship contestants. Basketball games will no longer charge a fee if the “school group” is streaming or broadcasting playoff contests. **Unanimous (24 votes).**

Brunner / Bell left the meeting at this point of the meeting..

PIAA BOD Report

- Dr. Barber reviewed the information presented at the September PIAA BOD meeting and the Annual Fall meeting. PIAA meeting minutes were sent to all member schools.
- Dr. Barber reviewed the information in reference to a court decision which allows faith-based school students to participate at their home school district. The PIAA consent order was sent to all ADs and building Principals outlining the current policies and procedures.
- Dr. Barber provided an update on the feeder school discussion. The PIAA BOD tabled the discussion at the last board meeting. Dr. Barber will chair a subcommittee to reintroduce updated feeder school language to the PIAA bylaws.

Middle School Report

- Joe Derickson, Joe Vogler, and Sean Kelly reviewed the two Middle School / Jr HS zoom meetings that were held to provide middle school athletic directors PIAA updates and rules information. Special thanks to the D1 Athletic Directors' Association for providing an outstanding presentation that was attended by 35 Middle School Jr HS athletic directors.

Officials Report – Ron Redinger & Maureen Gregory.

- No report this month

Eligibility Document Reviews

- The Committee conducted a document review for a student from Martin Saints Classical High School (Volpe) in reference to Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon a motion by Bretz / Sudholz, the committee approved the waiver. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**
- The Committee conducted a document review for a student from Unionville High School (Culp) in reference to Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon a motion by Hunt / Spera, the committee approved the waiver. **Yes – No – 0 Abstain – 1 (21-0 -1Vogel)**
- The Committee conducted a document review for a student from Unionville High School (Turner) in reference to Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon a motion by Ford / Hensel the committee approved the waiver. **Yes – No – 0 Abstain – 1 (21-0-1 Vogel)**
- The Committee conducted a document review for a student from North Penn High School (Etienne) in reference to Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon a motion by Bretz / Mullin the committee approved the waiver. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**
- The Committee conducted a document review for a student from Souderton High School (Harple) in reference to Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon a motion by Bretz / Mullin the committee approved the waiver. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**
- The Committee conducted a document review for a student from Souderton High School (Higgenbotham) in reference to Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon a motion by Bretz / Hunt, the committee approved the waiver. **Unanimous (22 Votes)**

Eligibility Hearings

- The Committee conducted a hearing on behalf of a student from West Chester Henderson High School (Fick) in reference to a student's Athletic Transfer, Article VI, Section 4. Upon motion a by Bauer / Ford, the committee denied the student's transfer.
(Votes 20-0-2 abstentions Sherlock / Landgraff)

Listed below are the results of eligibility hearing held prior to the monthly meeting.

- Conestoga - Article VI, Section 2C. Request for post-season waiver (9/10/25 – 8:30am - denied)
- CB East HS - Article VI, Section 2C. Request for post-season waiver. (9/16/25 - denied)
- CB East HS - Article VI, Section 2C. Request for post-season waiver. (9/16/25 – denied)
- CB East HS– Article VI, Section 2C. Request for post-season waiver. (9/16/25 – approved)
- Lower Moreland HS– Article VI, Section 2C. Request for post-season waiver. (TBD)

- Neshaminy HS– Article VI, Section 2C. Request for post-season waiver. (TBD)
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- Pottsgrove HS – Article VI, Section 2C. Request for post-season waiver. (TBD)
- Phoenixville High School – Article VIII, Section 6B. Request for additional eligibility. (TBD)
- Strath Haven HS - Article VI, Section 2C. Request for post-season waiver (letter sent).
- Springfield Twp HS - Article VI, Section 2C. Request for post-season waiver (letter sent).
- Pottsgrove HS – Article VI, Section 2C. Request for post-season waiver. (letter sent)

D1 / D12 Regional Hearings

- HS Truman / Archbishop Wood (Stewart) – D1/D12 Regional hearing – Athletic Transfer. Article VI, Section 4. (Transfer denied 8/15/25. PIAA appeal 9/15/25, Transfer approved by PIAA)
- HS Truman / Archbishop Wood (Webb) – D1/D12 Regional hearing – Athletic Transfer. Article VI, Section 4. (Transfer denied 8/15/25. PIAA appeal 9/15/25. Transfer approved by PIAA)
- HS Truman / Archbishop Wood (Sakyama) – D1/D12 Regional hearing – Athletic Transfer. Article VI, Section 4. (Transfer approved 9/11/25)
- WCE / St Joe’s Prep (Golden) – D1/D12 Regional hearing – Athletic Transfer. Article VI, Section 4. (Transfer approved 8/22/25)
- Lower Merion / Roman Catholic (Cook) – D1/D12 Regional hearing – Athletic Transfer. Article VI, Section 4. (Transfer denied 9/11/25)

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:00PM. Upon a motion by Joe Vogel/Peg Pennepacker,
Unanimous (22 Votes)

The next meeting of the PIAA District One Committee will be held Wednesday, October 15, 2025 @ 1PM. Site TBD/

Respectfully Submitted SK/HF