

PIAA DISTRICT ONE-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

December 11, 2024 - 1:00pm at MCIU23

Steve Brandt Vice-Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:00PM.

Present at the meeting: Michael Barber, Stephen Brandt, Rodney Stone, Sean Kelly, RJ Bretz, Shannon Fisher, Stephanie Taylor, Seth Brunner, Corey Sigle, Jason Sherlock, Devon Landgraff, LaDontay Bell, Robert Kurzweg, Jonathan Bauer, Henry Hunt, Lou Sudholz, John Creighton, Scott Hegen, John Mullin, Lisa Ford, Joe Derickson, Dave Baun, Becky Flynn-Hensel, Maureen Gregory, Ron Redinger

Absent from the meeting: Holly Farnese, Seth Frankenfield, Christopher Jaramillo, Vicki Zebley, Denis Gray, Matt Heiland

Guest at the meeting: Tracy Rarich, AD PJPII

Approval of the Minutes

• Upon a motion by Hunt/Bretz, the committee approved the minutes of District One Committee meeting from November 2024. **Unanimous (24 votes)**

Treasurer Report

• Upon a motion by Mullin/Sudholz, the committee approved the Treasurer's Report for November 2024. **Unanimous (24 Votes)**

Operations Balance \$879,948.50Net Change \$149,523.17

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

Student Transfer List

 Upon motion by Derickson/Bretz, the committee approved all Transfer Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members. Unanimous (24 Votes).

Foreign Exchange Student List

 Upon motion by Creighton/Sudholz, the committee approved all Foreign Exchange Student Requests on the list provided to D1 Committee members.
Unanimous (24 Votes)

Dr. Barber arrived at the meeting.

Public Comment – None

Executive Secretary Report – Mr. Stone / Mr. Kelly

- Sean Kelly reviewed the Fall PIAA DQ report. The overall number of disqualifications were down across the state this fall. A major reason for the reduction was due to the implementation of the soccer soft-red card. The number of supplemental ejections in Boys Soccer continues to be a concern.
- Sean Kelly presented the Fall Sports Income / Expense report. The Committee reviewed the Fall sports gate receipts and game costs. The Committee also reviewed the historical expenses and revenue from previous years. The fall reports are available upon request.
- Sean Kelly provided Winter Sports Championship updates.
 - o D1 Competitive Spirit Championships January 4th at CB South.
 - Championship registration closes on 12/13/2024
 - Championship schedule will be released on 12/20/24
 - o PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships January 30-31, 2025, at Santander Arena, Reading, PA.
 - o D1Basketball Championship sites are still TBD

New Business

- Upon a motion by Derickson/Baun, the committee approved Mark Clark as Volleyball Co-Chairperson. **Unanimous (25 Votes).**
- The D1 Golf Chairperson is open. Letters of interest in the position should be sent to Sean Kelly in the District One office.
- The District One Committee reviewed the soccer probation follow-up report from CB South HS. Upon a motion by Bretz/Sigle the committee officially accepted CB South's report. Unanimous (25 Votes).
- The District One Committee held a lengthy discussion regarding the rules for PIAA member schools playing non-PIAA member schools. There was emphasis on the requirement of sending the PIAA Supplemental Contract to non-member schools. ADs are encouraged to review PIAA By-Laws Article XII, Section 3.
 - The District One Office will send out a memo to all schools to help ensure compliance and highlights of the PIAA eligibility rules. ADs are encouraged to contact the District One office with any questions.
- PIAA Recruiting rules discussion—Mr. Bauer / Ms. Rarich
 - O The District One Committee held an extensive discussion on the PIAA recruiting rules. Specific attention was given to the question of when coaches are able to talk to prospective students. The committee asked Dr. Barber to continue this discussion at the state BOD level. The Committee asked that specific interpretations to the terms application and enrollment be provided.

PIAA BOD Report

- Dr. Baber discussed the suggested changes to the definition and adoption of schools providing a feeder school list for the purposes of recruiting students for athletics. The list of feeder schools would not need to be provided for educational purposes.
- Dr. Barber gave a description of the changes to the Competition Formula. The proposed changes were approved on a 2nd reading. Changes in the number of transfers in team sports would be in place for the next 2-year cycle.
 - Those that had minimally 1 increased to 2 transfers
 - o Those that had minimally 2 increased to 3 transfers
 - O Those that had a minimum of 3 increased to 4 transfers

Old Business

• The Committee continued its discussion to review the implementation of a policy that would approve playoff dates and reasons for moving contests.

District One playoff dates and reasons for moving contests:

- To the greatest extent possible, the District One Committee will consider altering established district-level game dates/times due to extenuating conflicts such as school graduation, baccalaureate, proms, and standardized testing. This list is illustrative and not exhaustive.
- For all other unavoidable school conflicts, the District One Committee will only approve date/time changes if facilities and game workers are available and both schools mutually agree to the time adjustment.
- In the rare event both schools cannot agree on a date and time to hold the District One playoff contest, the District One Chairperson (or designee), who has general control of district championship contests, may choose to move the contest to a neutral site location if available, or the site of the lower seeded team.
- The District One office will request that participating schools submit a list of conflict dates and the reasons for the conflict before the start of the post-season.

Keenan, Sigle, Bell and Landgraff left the meeting between 2:30-3:00

Middle School Report – Matt Heiland

• No information to report this month.

Officials Report – Ron Redinger & Maureen Gregory

 Officials' Winter playoff registration forms were sent out to all Chapter Secretaries and Presidents.

Eligibility Hearings (The items listed below are information only. Students Approved 11/27/24)

- District One Sub-Committee held a transfer eligibility hearing for a student from Chester Charter Scholars Academy (Miller) Article VI, Section 5. Review of Eligibility. Motion by Bretz / Mullin to approve the student's transfer to CCSA. **Unanimous (11-0).**
- District One Sub-Committee held a transfer eligibility hearing for a student from Chester Charter Scholars Academy (Feggins) Article VI, Section 5. Review of Eligibility. Motion by Hunt/Bretz to approve the student's transfer to CCSA. **Unanimous** (11-0).
- District One Sub-Committee held a transfer eligibility hearing for a student from Chester Charter Scholars Academy (Hutson) Article VI, Section 5. Review of Eligibility. Motion by Ford/Bell to approve the student's transfer to CCSA. **Unanimous** (11-0).
- District One Sub-Committee held a transfer eligibility hearing for a student from Chester Charter Scholars Academy (Sabb) Article VI, Section 5. Review of Eligibility. Motion by Bretz/Mullin to approve the student's transfer to CCSA. **Unanimous** (11-0).

Eligibility Document Reviews

- The committee conducted a Document review for a student from Avon Grove High School (Morgan) in reference to PIAA Constitution and By-Laws Article III Attendance Waiver. Motion by Sudholz / Bretz to approve a Waiver of Article III. Unanimous (22 Votes).
- The committee conducted a Document Review for a student from Council Rock South High School (Scott) in reference to PIAA Constitution and By-Laws Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon motion by Bretz / Hegen, the committee approved the waiver. Unanimous (22 Votes).
- The committee conducted a Document Review for a student from Cheltenham High School (Thompson) in reference to PIAA Constitution and By-Laws Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon motion by Mullen / Bauer, the committee approved the waiver. Unanimous (22 Votes).
- The committee conducted a Document Review for a student from Upper Perkiomen High School (Seville) in reference to PIAA Constitution and By-Laws Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon motion by Flynn-Hensel/Sherlock, the committee approved the waiver. **Unanimous (22 Votes).**
- The committee conducted a Document Review for a student from Chester Charter Scholar Academy (Hutson) in reference to PIAA Constitution and By-Laws Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon motion by Ford/Bretz, the committee approved the waiver. **Unanimous (22 Votes).**
- The committee conducted a Document Review for a student from Chester Charter Scholar Academy (Robinson) in reference to PIAA Constitution and By-Laws Article VI, Section 2C. Request for a post-season waiver. Upon motion by Sudholz/Ford, the committee approved the waiver. Unanimous (22 Votes).

Adjournment

Upon motion by Brandt/Bretz, the meeting adjourned at 4 PM. **Unanimous.** (22 Votes)

The next meeting of the PIAA D1 Committee will be held Wednesday, January 8,2025 -1:00 at the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit.

Respectfully Submitted SK/HF