PIAA DISTRICT ONE-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

November 11, 2026 - 1:00PM – MCIU 23

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

Present at the meeting:, Stephen Brandt, RJ Bretz, Sean Kelly, Peg Pennepacker, Kevin Wallace, Amy Barr, Becky Murphy, Corey Sigle, Jason Sherlock, Bobby Kurzweg, Frank Flanagan, Joe Sperra, Henry Hunt, Lisa Ford, Chip Ollinger, Joe Derickson, Joe Di Antonio, Joe Vogler, Becky Flynn-Hensel, Sue Wilson, Ron Reidinger

Absent from the meeting: Michael Barber, Holly Farnese, Bill Keenan, Jancie Duffield, Devon Landgraff, LaDontay Bell, John Creighton, Lou Sudholz, John Mullin

Guest at the meeting: Matt Gionta, Upper Darby HS

Approval of the Minutes

- Upon motion, Hunt/Bretz, the committee approved the minutes of District One Committee meeting from October 2026. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**

Treasurer Report

- Presented by Mr. Bretz. Upon motion, Derickson/Ford, the committee approved the Treasurer's Report for October 2026. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**

    - Operations Balance $563,510.76
    - Net Change $ 6,575.30

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

Student Transfer List

- Upon motion by Sigle/Sherlock, the committee approved the Transfer Student Requests on the list provided to District One Committee members. **Unanimous (20 Votes)**

Foreign Exchange Student List

- No students to consider this month.

Public Comment – None

Executive Secretary Report – Mr. Kelly

- Sean Kelly provided Fall Championship updates and reviewed the XC / Tennis / Soccer / FH and GVB playoffs and Championships.

    - Thank you to all the AD's and schools who hosted playoff and Championship contests.
- Football is entering its second week of the playoffs. D1 will need PIAA sites the week of December 5th.
- District One is still searching for neutral sites for PIAA soccer, field hockey, and volleyball playoffs.

- Sean Kelly led a discussion regarding sport specific policies / regulations for hosting D1 Championship contests. Many of these concerns were brought up during the fall playoff season. If needed, these topics can be brought forward at the sport steering committee meetings.
    - Volleyball – minimum ceiling height.
        - NFHS recommends a min height of 23'. There is no NFHS or PIAA minimum requirement. No action taken by the District One Committee.
    - Field Hockey – use of turf fields only during the playoffs.
        - The PIAA requires turf fields to host PIAA playoffs contests. District One has no such requirement for playoffs. No action taken by the District One Committee.
    - FH Seed Meeting policy.
        - The current policy states that all regular season contests must be completed before the start of the Seed meeting. The District One Committee recommend keeping the policy as it is intended but to add the word "scheduled" before Seed Meeting.

    - Soccer/ FH – lighted fields
        - The PIAA requires lighted fields to host PIAA soccer playoffs contests. District One has no such requirement for playoffs. No action taken by the District One Committee.

    - Sean Kelly provided Winter Sports Reminders
        - 1st Practice date – Friday, 11/20
        - 1st Scrimmage date – *The first Inter-School Practice or Scrimmage may be held after the fifth (5th) day of Practice*.

    - District One Cheer Championships will be held on 12/12 at CB South HS.
        - Team registration is open until 12/1.

    - The District One Swim Championships will be held on February 19-20, 2026, in York, PA.

- District One was awarded a Swimming Grant from York, PA, and the Explore York / Sport York County Tourism. Final details of the grant will be presented in the next few months.

New Business

- The Committee reviewed a proposal from the PIAA Football Steering Committee. The proposal outlined suggested changes to the out-of-season calendar and PIAA rules and regulations. The proposal will be sent to the D1 Football Steering committee for review. The proposal will also be presented on a first reading to the PIAA BOD for review.

- On October 29, 2026, the District One Committee held an emergency meeting via zoom to consider a request by the Central League Principals. The CAL submitted a recommendation to the District One Committee asking them to consider reinstating Harrison High School's 2026 Football schedule and restore their league scheduled football contest as forfeits. After presentation from the CAL and review, the District One Committee voted **17-0 (**3 abstentions - Barber, Brandt, Ollinger) to deny the request and to keep the current football schedule and rankings unchanged.

PIAA BOD Report – Dr. Barber

- No discussion items presented this month. The next PIAA BOD meeting will be held on December 9, 2026

Old Business

Middle School Report – Joe Vogler

- No discussion items presented this month.

Officials Report – Ron Reidinger & Sue Wilson

- No discussion items presented this month.

Eligibility Document Reviews

- The PIAA District One Committee approved a document review to consider a post-season waiver Article VI. Postseason waiver for a student at Sacred Heart Academy (Lucas). Upon a motion by Bretz/Murphy, the Committee approved the waiver. **Unanimous (20-0)**

Eligibility Hearings

- The District One Committee conducted a hearing to review the transfer of a Coatesville student (Turner). The student transferred from Archbishop Carroll to Coatesville Area HS. Upon a motion by Hunt / Barr, the Committee approved the transfer and granted regular season eligibility. **Unanimous (20-0).**

Adjournment

- Upon motion by Ford / Sherlock, the meeting adjourned at 2:58 pm.
  Unanimous (20 Votes).

The next PIAA District One Committee Meeting will be December 16, 2026, @ 1:00PM - MCIU 23.

Respectfully Submitted SK/RB/HF