



**PIAA / District One Annual Fall Meeting
September 13, 2017 - 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. Michael Barber presented the PIAA District One Update
- Recognition of PIAA Officials – 30 + years of service

On behalf of PIAA District One Chairman, Dr. Michael Barber and the District One Committee, we would like to congratulate the following PIAA Registered Officials who were recently recognized at the 2017 PIAA Officials Convention. The following officials were recognized for 30 years of service.

**THOMAS J BECK, JOSEPH P COMEY, STEVEN GRAY, RICHARD R MATTIONI, JOHN B MCLAUGHLIN,
DAVID C MILLS, MARSHALL G PALARDY, JR, PAUL DALE PLATTENBURG, WILLIAM J SCANLAN, RICHARD P
STAMM, ROBERT STERNER, MARLIN R STROHECKER, DONALD P TAYLOR**

- **Presentation of the 2016-2017 Sportsmanship Awards.**
Congratulations to following Administrations, Coaches and Student-Athletes.

Kennett High School Avon Grove High School Sacred Heart Academy Holy Ghost Prep Dock Mennonite Academy Calvary Christian Academy Faith Christian Academy Morrisville High School Cheltenham High School William Tennent High School	Harry S. Truman High School Upper Moreland Middle School Upper Darby High School Glen Mills Schools Spring-Ford High School Pottsgrove High School Owen J Roberts Middle School Chichester Middle School Stetson Middle School ET Richardson Middle School Haverford Middle School
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- **Dr. Robert Lombardi**, Executive Director of the PIAA, **Pat Gebhart**, Associate Executive Director of the PIAA, presented the Constitution, By-Laws, and Rules and Regulations 2017-2018 Update. These are included in the new handbook and additions in these minutes. The PIAA Board of Directors passed numerous By-law amendments.

- Sean Kelly presented the following PIAA District One information items;
 - Score Reporting website/Power Rankings
 - Game Contracts/Official's Contracts
 - PIAA Transfer Forms – Interview Students and Parents/Fill out forms properly
 - PIAA Officials Recruiter Position

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

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00AM.

2018 Annual Spring PIAA / District One Meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2017 – 9:30am at Westover CC.

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PIAA District I – Fall In-Service
Westover Country Club, Norristown, PA
September 13, 2017 - 9:30 AM
Items for Discussion

1. Update of unionization of Boys & Girls Lacrosse Officials in PIAA Districts 7 & 8
 - a. NLRB decision and update
2. Use of PIAA registered officials by assignors
 - a. Arbitrator use constitutes an electronic contract between officials and schools
3. Announcement of newly appointed of Statewide Boys' Lacrosse Rules Interpreter, Scott Dede
4. Accepted the recommendations of the PIAA Track & Field Steering Committee to:
 - adopt the 2018 proposed qualifying standards;
 - amend the PIAA-adopted dual meet tie-breaker to provide that the winning team have one additional point and an asterisk added to its score;
 - eliminate the PIAA modification of the NFHS Rules Book on jewelry for Track & Field and Cross Country and adopt the NFHS Rules Book jewelry rule as written.
5. Referred to the Competition Committee for consideration a proposed increase of the number of classifications in the sport of track & field from 2 to 3, effective July 1, 2018;
6. Accepted the recommendation of the PIAA Baseball Steering Committee to:
 - amend the pitching restriction to permit a pitcher reaching the maximum pitch count for any level of rest during an at bat, to continue to pitch to that batter, or any substitute for that batter, until such batter is put out or reaches first base, or until a third out has been made prior to the end of that at bat. The pitcher will be credited with the maximum number of pitches for that level; and
 - amend the pitching restriction to provide that the pitch counts need to be entered no later than 12:00 pm (noon) the day following a competition.
7. Approved Proposed By-Law Amendments, to:
 - amend ARTICLE XIII, PENALTIES, Section 5, Forfeiture of Championships Rights to allow for forfeiture of championships rights in lieu of expulsion or suspension of a member school.
 - amend ARTICLE VI, TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE AND RECRUITING, Section 5, Transfers Following Expulsion or Anticipated Expulsion relating to sanctions deemed to follow a student to another school.
 - amend ARTICLE IX, REPRESENTATION, AND ARTICLE XVI, SEASON AND OUT-OF-SEASON RULES AND REGULATIONS to eliminate the use of shoulder pads outside the defined season and allow for schools to participate in 7v7 competition.
8. Reminder the re-classification numbers for 2018-19 & 2019-20 are to be submitted commencing Sunday, October 1, through Monday October 16, 2017. Enrollments in grades 9-11 and the same numbers as submitted to PDE.

9. Approved Proposed Policies and Procedures Amendments;
 - amend policies governing Indoor Events and Outdoor Events: Spectator Decorum policies for further clarification relating to sanctions (removal) for violations of the policies.
 - create a Policy for Merchandising at District and Inter-District Contests to make clear that PIAA retains the exclusive right to sell souvenir products at these events.
 - create a Policy for Public Address Protocol to provide guidance for public address announcers at Contests.
10. Discussed participation in national events or National Championships. The Board agreed to maintain the status quo supporting the current prohibition of contact outside the defined season for football, but permitting participation in other sports if it would comply with the PIAA By-Laws.
11. Received Committee Reports from the Board of Directors' Workshop regarding:
 - a. Constitution and By-Laws
 - i. Approved, on a first reading basis, an amendment to Article VII of the By-Laws to address students from other countries who seek PIAA eligibility after having already graduated from schools in their native countries.
 - b. Organization Structure
 - i. Have Staff develop language to require "full-time employee" status to represent a District Committee upon the Board of Directors.
 - c. District Committee Eligibility Hearings
 - i. Approved to authorize PIAA Executive Staff to investigate the development of a Web portal to receive the submission of all requests for decisions on athletic eligibility by each district, effective 2018-19.
 - ii. Approved recommendation to add a transfer box to the eligibility form and change the student's school district of residence to the physical address of residence.
12. Competition Committee
 - i. Recommended to Board and passed upon a first reading to approve a modification of Article VI to modify the presumptively eligible student transfer from a previously proposed 21 day sit-out for in-season, same sport, transfers to 14 days from the date of enrollment to allow District Committees an opportunity to address these situations.
 - ii. Reviewed eight different classification options that were presented and the consensus of the Board of Directors was none of the eight proposals present a better solution to the manner in which we classify presently.
 - iii. Reviewed the Pennsylvania Athletic Oversight Committee Meeting of Tuesday, June 20, 2017 and the topics of separate championships, classifications of sports and athletic transfers. The legislation of 1972 mandating inclusion of private schools into PIAA would have to be changed to allow for separate championships and the PAOC has not received any proposal for that, nor does it feel there should be any changes made.