



PIAA DISTRICT ONE-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

November 8, 2023 @ 1:00PM - Montgomery County Intermediate Unit

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

Present at the meeting: Michael Barber, Rodney Stone, Sean Kelly, RJ Bretz, Holly Farnese, Bill Keenan, Stephanie Taylor, Seth Brunner, Corey Siegel, Jason Sherlock, Mike Semar, LaDontay Bell, Robert Kurzweg, Cyndi Moss, Lou Sudholz, John Creighton, Henry Hunt, Geoff Per, Lisa Ford, Dave Baun, Vicki Zebley, Joe Derickson, Becky Flynn Hensel, Christopher Jaramillo, Matt Heiland, Maureen Gregory and Tom Brady.

Absent from the meeting: Stephen Brandt, Shannon Fisher, Sara, Kurpel, Sylvia Kalazs, Denis Gray,

Guest at the meeting: Mr. Bill Schmidt, Abington School District Trainer, Mr. Mao Howell, newly elected school board member of Norristown School District, and Vaneshya McGee, community member of Norristown.

Approval of the Minutes

- Upon motion by Geoff Per/Lou Sudholz, the committee approved the minutes of District One Committee meeting from October 18, 2023. **Unanimous (24 Votes)**

Treasurer Report

- Upon motion by Bobby Kurzweg/Henry Hunt, the committee approved the Treasurer's Reports for October 2023. **Unanimous (24 Votes)**

Operations Balance	\$690,102.55
Net Change	\$62,039.40

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

Student Transfer List

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

Public Comment – No public comment

Executive Secretary Report – Mr. Stone / Mr. Kelly

- Mr. Kelly recommended continuing conversation and implementations of issues related to PIAA D1 “playback” games in the brackets.

PIAA BOD Report – Dr. Barber

- Dr. Barber discussed the language and potential changes to PIAA Article VI, Transfers, Residence and Recruiting, Section 11.B.11. which address the identification of Feeder Schools and the permissions of school personnel to speak with students and parents/guardians before, during or after athletic contests. This adoption will be consider on a 3rd reading at the December PIAA BOD meeting.
- The discussion regarding the proper identification and definition of Feeder Schools will continue at the PIAA BOD level.

New Business

- Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Mike Semar, the committee approved the request for a Girls Wrestling Co-Op between Central Bucks West and Central Bucks East.
23 Yes – 0 No – 1 Abstain (Henry Hunt).
- Mr. Bill Schmidt, Athletic Trainer at Abington High School spoke to the request for Athletic Trainers to be paid for coverage of PIAA D1 playoff games. The difficulty of the discussion falls into three categories which creates a dilemma in solving the situation.
 - a. Certified Athletic Trainers (ATCs) who are paid per diem.
 - b. ATCs being paid by outside contractors.
 - c. ATCs who are salaried employees of the school district and therefore fall upon the collective bargaining unit.

Presently, PIAA D1 upon submission pays *the school district*. This conversation has been referred to the District One Operations Committee and that committee. The Operations Committee will schedule a meeting and will report back to the D1 Committee.

- Del-Val League representative, Mr. LaDontay Bell made a presentation in reference to the Del Val League involving student athletes and opportunities. The Del Val League is a five-school league. Scheduling games is a continuous challenge. The District One office will continue to work with member schools to help establish working relationships between leagues. No action taken.

Old Business

- Girls Wrestling post-season dates and sites are still TBA. The Girls District Tournament is tentatively scheduled for February 17, 2023, site TBD. The Girls' D1.DXI.D12 Regional Tournament is scheduled for the weekend of February 24th – site still TBD. The Wrestling Steering Committee.
- Volleyball Power Ranking System presently does not include matches of non-PIAA opponents. This topic will continue discussion. Leagues should meet and bring back information for the December Meeting. Recommendation is to include all non-PIAA opponents in the current ranking system.
- Discussion in reference to the minimum number of contests required for calculations of the Power Ranking system continued. No action was taken.
- Locations dates and times for the 5A and 6A basketball championships are still under discussion. There are conflicts at Temple University on March 2nd. The District One office will continue

Corey Siegel has left the meeting.

- Mike Barber presented information in reference to two boys playing on the Cheltenham Field Hockey Team. The Committee reviewed PIAA Article XVI – Season and Out of Season Rules and Regulations. Upon motion by Joe Derickson/Geoff Per, the committee approved the self-report and the action taken by Cheltenham High School.
Unanimous. (23 Votes)

Geoff Per has left the meeting.

- The committee held discussion in reference to Hearing Transcripts being sent to PIAA for appeal. Who is responsible for payment of the transcribing. Upon motion by Joe Erickson/Jason Sherlock, the committee approved the motion to record no meetings, whether in person or video. **Unanimous. (22 Votes)**
- There is now a conflict with Temple to host the PIAA D1 Basketball Championship sites and dates. Investigation of sites will continue.

Officials Report – Tom Brady & Maureen Gregory

- No report to the committee this month..

Middle School Report – Matt Heiland

- No report to the committee this month.

Eligibility Hearings

- No hearings conducted this month.

Document Review

- No document reviews were conducted this month.

Adjournment

Upon motion by RJ Bretz/Matt Heiland, the meeting adjourned at 4:00PM.

Unanimous. (22 Votes)

The next meeting of the PIAA D1 Committee will be held December 13, 2023 @ Montgomery County Intermediate Unit – 1pm.

Respectfully Submitted SK/HF