

District VI Winter AD Meeting

Wednesday, September 18, 2013

Spring Cove Administrative Office – Board Room

OPEN DATES:

Girls Basketball: Penns Manor needs one team for a 12/27 & 12/28 tourney
Football: Tyrone is looking for a week 2 scrimmage (prefer away)

1. Call to order 10:00am.
2. Introductions of those in attendance for the benefit of new AD's and the entire membership. Entire membership present except for: Belleville Mennonite, Blacklick Valley, Claysburg-Kimmel, Grace Prep, Marion Center, Saltsburg, and Saint Joseph's.
3. Approval of spring minutes. Northern Cambria 1st, Cambria Heights 2nd. Motion passes.
4. Financial dues. The following schools owe for the current year – Altoona, Bedford, Blacklick Valley, Central Mountain, Claysburg-Kimmel, Conemaugh Valley, Johnstown, Harmony, Ligonier Valley, Penns Manor, Penns Valley and Saltsburg. Please complete your membership form and forward it with a check to John Bomboy at Marion Center. Current balance in our account is \$4,019.35. Richland 1st, United 2nd. Motion passes.
5. PIAA Calendar - Incorrect dates are listed on last year's PIAA calendar (winter practice dates). Make sure you reference the new calendar that was mailed within the last two weeks for the correct start dates.
6. Joe Gironda has been named by our executive committee as our new PSADA rep for our District with the retirement of Don Amoriello from Bellefonte.
7. Football - Get prepared for playoffs. Not many changes from last year. Get your team photo ready for program and have your roster updated. In Class A, we will average your ranking divided by the number of games played (9 or 10) since Rockwood is no longer fielding a team this year. This process should continue forward in case any other teams drop the program as the season progresses. Playoff meeting is still tentatively set for Sunday November 3rd at Altoona Area High School. Time is TBD at this point. Updates will be forwarded as we draw to the close of the season.
8. Volleyball – No new information for 2013. Both our District tournament and the State Tournament will proceed with the same parameters as we did last year. The tournament starts on 10/28 with semi-finals for AAA and play-in games for Class A and AA. AAA championships will be on Wednesday 10/30 and the Class A and AA will crown their champs on Saturday 11/02.

9. Soccer – Packets were passed out today. Applications are due back to Penn Cambria by October 17th. Fields are needed for the playoffs. Applications to host are due back by October 4th. Turf, lights and the ability to sell tickets are a top priority for hosting. Districts for our three classes will begin October 22nd.
10. Golf – Class AA at Summit run by Dean Rossi. Class AAA at Sinking Valley run by Eric Kosak of Altoona. District VI AA team champs will play at Down River at Everett vs. District V champion. Sectionals is one day. Districts are two days. Don Hosterman will run the girls tournament at Penn State White Course. No sectionals for girls – just districts. New entry fee is \$10 a golfer. Make the change on your form. They were printed incorrectly.
11. Cross Country – big change this year. To be held at Forest Hills Middle School. Entry data should be coming out in the next week. \$10 per runner to enter with a minimum of \$30 for a school.
12. Girls Tennis – everything the same as last year. Eric Hovan will run the tournament just like last year. Will be using the courts at Altoona again. Fee is \$10 per player for individuals. \$100 per team for the team tournament.
13. Field hockey – forms for the three Class AA schools and two Class AAA schools will be mailed in the coming weeks.
14. PIAA enrollment updates – Each Principal should have received their enrollment letters from the PIAA. Enrollment data should be used as of October 1, 2013 and updated to the PIAA no later than October 15, 2013.
15. Pink Uniforms – conflicting reports on what you can and cannot do for benefit games. Dean Rossi has a call into the PIAA and will update our membership when we have a final answer – specifically on volleyball and football which neither have a home white uniform rule (unlike soccer, field hockey and basketball). Richland has confirmed that they received permission from the PIAA to use pink uniforms this year for a home game. State College reported that the information they received stated that pink uniforms are not to be used at all. The memberships suggestion is to email the PIAA for your specific request/event.
16. Competitive cheer updates – District VI tournament to be held on November 16th at Richland High School. District VI will recognize individual champions for the first time this year. Last year was a trial as it was the District's first try with running a qualifier for the state tournament.
17. Boys playing on girls teams – Peg Pennepacker updated the membership on recent legislation. There appears to possibly be some PIAA procedures in place that may be adopted to limit the practice of boys on girls teams when the competitive advantage could put girls at harm (ie volleyball – difference in height of net for boys vs. girls teams). More will be forthcoming as the data is obtained. It was not until recently that a judge lifted a ban on the PIAA from making any policies on this practice.
18. Act 82 – Athletics Accountability Act – Peg Pennepacker again updated the membership on the latest. Continue to report the information as it makes sense to you. With all that PDE has to do, they probably will not be anyone going thru your data with a fine tooth comb. When our information is posted, we need to worry about answering questions about the data we submitted. As example – trainer data can be posted as per season or as per year (adding up to 100%).

19. Old/New Business – Bald Eagle asked if anyone else does not charge their own students for home events - Westmont was the only other school. Cambria Heights has a question asking how other schools pay officials when a game is cancelled and the game is not played that evening. Discussion of situations ensued. Penns Valley asked a question about using vouchers to pay officials due to changes in officials schedules and weather cancellations.
20. Open dates – see top of sheet
21. Next Meeting – 1/15/2014, 10:00am SCSD Admin. Office
22. Meeting adjourned 11:32pm. 1st – Greater Johnstown, 2nd Richland. Motion passes.

Respectively submitted,

Chuck Gojmerac

Secretary