

PRINCIPALS: Please Share These Minutes with Your Athletic Director
Regular Meeting of PIAA District 6 – February 6, 2019

Call to Order of the February 6, 2019, Meeting

Chairman Marshall called the meeting of the District 6 Committee to order at 3:35 p.m. at the Penn Cambria High School.

Present were Ralph Cecere, Joe Gironda, Charles Glasser, Kim Hubler, Michael Hudak, Ken Kerchenske, Susan Kovensky, William Marshall, Rudy McCarthy, Jacquelyn Mento (*Recording Secretary*), James Price, Lorie Ratchford, Phil Riccio, Curt Vasas, and Curt Whitesel. Brandon Bailey, Michael Cacciotti, Matthew Jioio, Sherry Montgomery, and Jody Rainey were not present.

Public Comments - There were no comments at this time.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Susan Kovensky and James Price, the minutes from the January 9, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

Financial Reports

On a motion by Curt Whitesel and Lorie Ratchford, the Committee unanimously approved the January Financial Report.

Old Business

- A. On a motion by Ralph Cecere and Susan Kovensky, the Committee unanimously approved, for financial reasons, Sinking Valley Country Club as the AAA Boys Golf Sectional location, Scotch Valley Country Club as the Boys Golf Championship location, and Windber Country as the AA Boys Golf Sectional and Girls AA and AAA Championship Golf location for one year.
- B. The Committee discussed the Elections Timelines/Process and having the votes published the following day, in lieu of being announced at the Mandatory PIAA District meeting.
- C. The Committee also discussed that the Boys Volleyball Championship games can take place as long as there are two teams and entrance fee is paid.

New Business

A. Review of Disqualifications

Michael Hudak informed the committee of recent player and coach disqualifications.

B. Eligibility Transfers

Eligibility was granted to the following students. Due to scheduled hearings and the existence of Principal sign-offs avowing that no athletic intent existed by both sending and receiving schools:

Name	Gr.	Transfer	Sport(s)	Motion
Madison Smith	10	Bishop Carroll to Blacklick Valley	Basketball, Softball	Vasas, Hudak

Ineligible (Executive Committee tentative approval) for post season play:

Name	Gr.	Transfer	Sport(s)	Motion
Madison Smith	10	Bishop Carroll to Blacklick Valley	Volleyball	Vasas, Hudak
Na'im Thomas	11	Orange HS to Williamsburg	Basketball, Baseball	Vasas, Hudak

* – Executive Committee tentative approval

C. Foreign Exchange Eligibility Hearings - There were no foreign exchange eligibility hearings.

D. The Committee conversed that the submission of the physical location of each District Playoff contest in football, baseball, basketball and boy's lacrosse since December 8, 2014 is needed.

E. Possible change where schools will be able to update their own information on the District 6 website, instead of emailing the data that needs updated was also discussed.

- F. The Committee conferred on the topic of the 2019-2020 online ticket prices and pre-sales.
- G. The Committee discussed that all outdoor sports will be able to use the portable AED, that was donated by the National Federation of State High Schools Association (NFHS).

Individual Sports Reports

On a motion by Lorie Ratchford and Susan Kovensky, the Football Financial Report with inclusion that the school district share to be at 0%, due to limited financial return was presented by Ralph Cecere and unanimously approved by the Committee.

On a motion by Ken Kerchenske and Charles Glassner, the Soccer Financial Report, submitted by Michael Cacciotti was unanimously approved.

Phil Riccio informed the Committee that handicapped individuals will be using the side entrance on 14st street due to the construction.

William Marshall updated the Committee on the tentative basketball playoffs scheduled to start on Monday the 18th.

Communications

- A. Any senior high principal, junior high principal, athletic director or girl's athletic representative interested in serving on the PIAA Committee should have a recommendation letter submitted, on school letterhead, so their names can be placed on the ballots, to Jackie Mento at 201 6th Street, Cresson PA 16630 by March 1, 2019. If you are elected to sit on the District 6 Committee your term will start on July 1, 2019.

The Mandatory PIAA District Six Principal and Athletic Director Annual Dinner meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 4, 2019, at the Blair County Convention Center at 6:00 PM. Reservation forms will be sent along with Ballots.

- Senior High Representatives (6). This appointment is for one year and candidates are reappointed each year by the schools in district 6.
 - Junior High Representatives (2). This appointment is for two years and candidates are reappointed two years by the schools in district 6.
 - Principal Representatives must be the Principal. Assistant Principals are not eligible.
 - Athletic Director Representative (1). This appointment is for two years.
 - The Girls' Athletic Representative (1). This appointment is for a two-year term and is elected by principals of member schools.
 - Girls Athletic Representative must be employees of a D6 PIAA eligible school.
- B. 2018-2019 Sportsmanship Awards: The District 6 Committee is requesting that each member school submit the name of one male and one female senior athlete who exemplify outstanding sportsmanship. Schools will be provided with medals at the mandatory spring meeting and may choose to present the awards as they deem appropriate. Two male and two female athletes will be selected through a lottery drawing to receive one of four, \$500.00 dollar "Dean Rossi Scholarship" during the spring meeting at the Blair County Convention Center. Please send the names of the athletes by email to jrainey@homercenter.org, no later than March 22, 2019.
- C. In April the Committee will be discussing about the Financial and Fee Structures Committee.

The Next Meeting

The next meeting of the PIAA District 6 Committee will be held on Wednesday, March 6th at Penn Cambria High School Library at 3:30 PM.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Committee, Curt Whitesel moved, and Susan Kovensky seconded, the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:44 p.m.