

PRINCIPALS: Please Share These Minutes with Your Athletic Director
Regular Meeting of PIAA District VI – March 10, 2022

Call to Order of the March 10, 2022 Meeting, Chairman Marshall called the meeting of the District VI Committee to order at 3:34 pm at Penn Cambria High School.

Present were Michael Cacciotti, Ralph Cecere, Tina Greene, Dane Harrold, Michael Hudak, Deanna Jubeck, Susan Kovensky, Stacy Kuster, William Marshall, Rudy McCarthy, Jacquelyn Mento, Jeff Miller, Molly Pomeroy-Hoover, Jody Rainey, Timothy Regan, Steve Shutters, Eric Thomas, and Curt Whitesel.

Absent were Phil Riccio and Richard Schreier.

Others present: Charles Gojmerac.

Public Comments – There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Susan Kovensky and seconded by Eric Thomas seconded, the minutes from the February 2, 2022 meeting were unanimously approved.

Financial Reports

On a motion by Curt Whitesel and seconded by Tina Greene, the Committee unanimously approved the District VI Monthly Financial Report.

Old Business

William Marshall, on behalf of Phil Riccio, informed the Committee that due to the changes to the wrestling fee structure, wrestling had a profitable year.

William Marshall updated the Committee on basketball, stating that the tournaments had a successful turnout this year and that the Committee will need to further discuss the distribution of proceeds and the ticketing process for next year. Michael Hudak added that one hundred percent of ticket refunds were made to spectators that had technical issues while purchasing online tickets.

Curt Whitesel notified the Committee that the swimming and diving tournament was outstanding this year, highlighting on the amazing job done by Homer Delattre, Hollidaysburg School District, and the official assignments made by Sue Kovensky.

New Business

Review of Disqualifications – Mike Hudak presented the Committee with an updated listing disqualifications for the year and noted that there were two players disqualifications in the last month.

Eligibility Transfers

Eligibility was granted to the following students, with principal signoffs avowing that no athletic intent existed by both sending and receiving schools:

Name	Gr.	Transfer	Sport(s)	Motion
Violet Ahalt	9	Westmont to Greater Johnstown	None	Cacciotti, Shutters
Mackenzie Collins	11	Idaho to State College	Softball	Cacciotti, Shutters
Ian Foy	7	Windber to Richland	None	Cacciotti, Shutters
Alicia Sullivan	11	Carolina HS to Richland	None	Cacciotti, Shutters
Rocco Harrington	9	Greater Johnstown to Ferndale	Football	Cacciotti, Shutters
* Richard Hildebrand	8	Greater Johnstown to Bishop McCort	Football, Wrestling	Cacciotti, Shutters
Carlos Ortega	12	Forest Hills to Greater Johnstown	None	Cacciotti, Shutters

Ineligible for Post Season

Name	Gr.	Transfer	Sport(s)	Motion
Dakota Seese	12	Rockwood to Conemaugh Valley	Baseball	Shutters, Pomeroy-Hoover
Julianna Hartzler	11	Bellville Mennonite to Mifflin County	Basketball	Shutters, Pomeroy-Hoover

On a motion by Ralph Cecere and Timothy Regan, the Committee unanimously granted a State College student athlete post season eligibility based on documentation provided.

On a motion by Curt Whitesel and Jeff Miller, the Committee unanimously approved Arrows Christian Academy as a Junior High District VI member school.

The Committee discussed minimum competitions to be eligible for post season tournaments, Purchase Line adding junior high softball and baseball, website upgrades, and accountability of officials and the workshops that are offered to them.

William Marshall informed the Committee on the 2021-2022 election, reminding those who are making to nominations to submit them to Jacquelyn Mento.

The Committee conversed on the annual meeting topics of discussion, such as: coach's disqualifications, sportsmanship, student cheer sections at competitions, rulings for state level competitions, higher seeds verse neutral sites for tournaments (including consolation competitions), expectations of host sites, and the distribution of proceeds.

On a motion by Dane Harrold and Jeff Miller, the Committee unanimously approved the following: effective July 1st, 2022, any coach ejected at any event during PIAA competition, must appear before District VI Committee with the Athletic Director and Principal at the next scheduled District VI meeting.

Sportsmanship

Charles Gojmerac informed the Committee on the 2021-2022 Dean Rossi Scholarships, stating that they are on a steady track only seventeen schools have not submitted their nominations that are due by April 1st

Individual Sports Reports

Charles Gojmerac updated the Committee that baseball tournaments are scheduled for May 27th and May 28th this year, with a three-day break between quarter, semi, and championships.

Stacy Kuster notified the Committee that the softball championships will be played at Saint Francis University this year.

Communication

William Marshall announced that the annual meeting of District VI PIAA member schools will be held on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at 6:00 PM at the Blair County Convention Center, 1 Convention Center Drive, Altoona, PA. This is a mandatory meeting for all District VI school districts.

Ralph Cecere, on behalf of the Committee, commended William Marshall for a job well done and for withstanding the continuation of recent litigation.

The Next Meeting

The next meeting of the PIAA District VI Committee will be held on Wednesday, April 20th at the Blair County Convention Center at 4:00 PM.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Committee, Susan Kovensky motioned, and Deanna Jubeck seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4: 48 pm.