

PIAA DISTRICT III  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
Via Zoom  
Wednesday April 15, 2020

A. Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome Guests: *Eric Thomas (WMSS Radio), Jeff Reinhart (Lancaster Newspapers), Mike Gross (Lancaster Newspapers), Mike Drago (Reading Eagle), Ed Sutelan (Penn Live)*
3. Hearing schedule – *N/A*

4. Attendance

The meeting is called to order at 11:00 AM by Chairman, Mr. Bohannon. Present are:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Pat Tulley X	Hal Griffiths X	Dave Bitting X	Michael Craig X
Rich Czarnecki X	Stephanie Deibler X	Arnie Fritzius X	Greg Goldthorp X
Dina Henry X	Ron Kennedy X	Stephen Lyons X	Bud Shaffner X
Adam Sheaffer X	Marty Trimmer X	Cathy Wreski X	Bob Baker X

Also Present: John Ziegler X	Jim Ellingsworth X	Fred Isopi X
Pete Fackler	Don Seidenstricker	Chuck Abbott X
Rod Frisco X		

5. Approval of Agenda

Moved: Mike Craig	Seconded: Dina Henry
<b>Yes: All</b> No: None	Abstention: _____ Absent: _____

6. Approval of Minutes/Secretary's Reports for

Moved: Pat Tulley	Seconded: Hal Griffiths
<b>Yes: All</b> No: None	Abstention: _____ Absent: _____

7. Eligibility (Attached) *NO Report*

a. Approve Principal to Principal Sign-Off, Post-Season, Foreign Exchange, Attendance, Period of Participation

Moved: _____	Seconded: _____
Yes: _____ No: _____	Abstention: _____ Absent: _____

B. Finances

1. Presentation and Approval of Treasurer's Report:

- a. *Basketball game profits increased over \$8,000 from last season. Total winter game profit improved nearly \$35,000.*
- b. *Game profits for all fall and winter sports has increased over \$165,000 from last season.*
- c. *Currently District 3 has improved their financial standing from last season by the increased game profit*

- and eliminating the expense of paying member's school dues (\$100,000).*
- d. *The unfortunate elimination of spring sports will help in the District's financial standing due to many spring sports do not generate a net profit after expenses.*

Moved: Marty Trimmer      Seconded: Greg Goldthorp  
Yes: **All**    No: None      Abstention: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

C. *Sports Chairman Reports*

1.    **Baseball** – Tulley: *No Report*
2.    **Basketball** – Bitting *No Report*
3.    **Bowling** – Tulley/Bohannon *No Report*
4.    **Competitive Spirit**- Goldthorp *No Report*
5.    **Cross Country** – Griffiths
  - a.    Hal Griffiths will no longer be on the District 3 Committee next school year but will remain as the sports chair for XC.
6.    **Field Hockey** – Bitting *No Report*
7.    **Football** – Ziegler *No Report*
8.    **Golf** – Fritzius *No Report*
9.    **Lacrosse** – Abbott *No Report*
10.    **Soccer** – Isopi *No Report*
11.    **Softball** –Deibler *No Report*
12.    **Swimming & Diving** – Seidenstricker *No Report*
13.    **Tennis** – Bohannon *No Report*
14.    **Track and Field** – Sheaffer *No Report*
15.    **Volleyball** – Trimmer *No Report*
16.    **Wrestling**-Goldthorp/Craig *No Report*
17.    **Officials**- Czarnecki/Wreski *No Report*
18.    **Parent rep report**-Henry/Lyons *No Report*

19. **School Board-Shaffner No Report**

20. **Sportsmanship-Wreski**

- a. *District 3 Sportsmanship and Academic Awards has moved the deadline to Friday, May 1. Please submit information to Cathy Wreski.*
- b. *Approximately 55 schools have submitted their forms.*
- c. *A pick-up date to distribute medals will be Thursday, May 14 at Lower Dauphin HS. A list will come out after the May 1 date to determine who will pick up the medals to distribute to schools within their leagues.*

21. **Clothing-Rinehart No Report**

D. PIAA Update

Unanimously **DEFEATED** the following proposed By-Law amendment, on a **third and final reading basis**: • **ARTICLE I, AGE, Section 1, Maximum Age Rule.**

*A student shall be ineligible for interscholastic athletic competition upon attaining the age of nineteen years, with the following exception: If the age of 19 is attained on or after July 1, the student shall be eligible age-wise, to compete through that school year. A student who is ineligible under this provision shall not participate in any Practice involving the collision sports of football, wrestling and boys' lacrosse. (This change will add ARTICLE I to the INTERPRETATIONS, page 11 of PIAA By-Laws)*

*With the defeat of this proposed amendment, all students, regardless of age, remain eligible to participate in Practices. It is within the discretion of the school to determine whether a particular student, because of his/her age, poses an enhanced risk of injury to other members of the Team and should not be permitted to Practice.*

• **Passed on 2nd Reading** - a proposal to accept language for imposition of more restrictive penalties for unsportsmanlike conduct behaviors that result in ejection of a player and/or coach, and to provide an educational component that must be completed and submitted to the District Committee before the return to play, and to allow for subsequent District Committee review of the actions that resulted in the ejection, and to define the officials' jurisdiction to apply this rule to include all times while at the premises of the competition.

• **Passed on 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading in the sport of Football:**

- o *to allow for mutual agreement between sub-varsity Teams to modify certain playing rules, eliminate appropriate game formations and to allow for participation with a reduced number of players so to not have to cancel Contests.*

• **Failed on Second Reading**

- o *to change the provisions of the heat acclimatization period to 5 days for Teams, to occur Monday through Friday and to allow Teams to compete in an inter-school practice (7 v. 7) before the first day of practice on Saturday of that week (Day 6) with no contact, then allow the Team's first full contact scrimmage on the following Friday and play their first game on week Zero.*

• **Passed on 2nd Reading in the sport of Golf:**

- o *Adopt additional language regarding girls playing in the boys' individual championship tournament; and*

***Suspended Protocol and Passed***

- o *Adopt a revised calendar for championships, which would move up the dates of regional, individual and team championships.*

***Approved a proposal to return the start of the winter sports practice date to the Friday before Thanksgiving and allow for the first scrimmage date to be the Saturday after Thanksgiving when Thanksgiving is late in the calendar.***

***E. Special Committee Reports***

1. Programs
  - a. *Wrestling programs suffered a loss of \$2,142.90. This matter will be discussed at a later date.*
2. Finance committee report
  - A. Wrestling - ticket prices \$8.00 and \$5.00**
    1. ***Approved*** for both days in District Individual Wrestling
  - B. Tennis - charge for team finals \$5.00 for all tickets**
    1. ***Approved*** for the 2020-2021 school year
  - C. Game manager fee changes starting in 2020-2021 School Year:**
    1. *FB/ \$200.*
    2. *Sectional Wrestling/\$400 & \$200*
    3. *District Wrestling/\$500.*
  - D. RFP for trophies and medals:**
    1. push back to 2021-2022 school year.
    2. Jostens will be contacted to discuss how to amend spring medals and trophies.
  - E. Rod will contact our sponsors for update and possible Twitter shout out.**

**F. Executive Directory Salary:**

1. ***Dr. Ronald Kennedy begins July 1, 2020. The salary and benefits package is \$26,500.***

3. District 3 manual committee
  - a. *Changes will reflect from the finance committee meeting in fees for Game managers and ticket prices for Wrestling and Tennis*
4. Update on corporate sponsorship/website

***F. Old Business***

- A. Playoff chart for next two-year cycle

G. New Business

1. Approve Co-ops

**Host School:** Lebanon Catholic School **Sport(s):** Boys Volleyball **Start Season:** 20/21

**End Season:** Until terminated **Coop Guest Schools:** Annville-Cleona High School

**Note:** *The Harrisburg Diocese has announced its intention to close Lebanon Catholic School*

**Host School:** Annville-Cleona High School **Sport(s):** Field Hockey **Start Season:**20/21

**End Season:** Until terminated **Coop Guest Schools:** Lebanon Catholic School

**Note:** *The Harrisburg Diocese has announced its intention to close Lebanon Catholic School*

Moved: Pat Tulley      Seconded: Dina Henry

**Yes: All**    No: None      Abstention: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Palmyra self-report. Myrtle Beach baseball trip

- a. *A letter will be sent to Palmyra School District stating they will be on probation for the 2021 Baseball Season. Also, Palmyra will inform District 3 Leadership in a letter stating their actions toward the Baseball coaching staff.*

Moved: Marty Trimmer      Seconded: Arnie Fritzius

**Yes: All**    No: None      Abstention: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Annual agenda format, time and agenda items. May 21 via zoom.

- a. *Annual Meeting will be via Zoom on Thursday, May 21 at 9:00 AM*
- b. *Agendas will be sent closer to the meeting date.*

4. Eden Resort refund from 2020 (Will be used for 2021 Meeting)

5. FAQ will be created due to closure of schools for 2019-2020 school year.

- a. *Questions should be sent to District 3 Chairman, Douglas M. Bohannon and he will create an FAQ which will be placed on the District 3 and PIAA websites. This will help with consistency of questions and answers from around the state.*

I. Upcoming Date(s) to Remember

*Thursday May 21-Annual Meeting via zoom Invite will be sent*

*June Zoom Meeting—Wednesday June 3, TBA*

J. Adjournment

1. Motion to Adjourn

Moved: Steph Deibler      Seconded: Stephen Lyons

**Yes: All**    No: None      Abstention: \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_