

PIAA DISTRICT III  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
Lower Dauphin Administration Building  
Thursday February 13, 2020. 12:00

A. Agenda

1. Call to Order

2. Welcome Guests

3. Hearing schedule

a *No hearings scheduled*

b *Post Season Decision on William Penn Student-Athlete Kelvin Matthews. Eligibility denied.*

*Approval of Agenda*

*Moved: Rich Czarnecki      Seconded: Marty Trimmer*

Yes:   15   No:   0   Abstention:          Absent:         

4. Attendance

The meeting is called to order at 12:35 PM by Chairman, Mr. Bohannon. Present are:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Pat Tulley   X   Mr. Hal Griffiths   X   Mr. 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           
Adam Sheaffer   X   Marty Trimmer   X   Cathy Wreski   X   Bob Baker   X  

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

5. Approval of Agenda

Moved: Dave Bitting      Seconded: Stephen Lyons

Yes:   15   No:   0   Abstention:          Absent:         

6. Approval of Minutes/Secretary's Reports for

Moved: Rich Czarnecki      Seconded: Hal Griffith

Yes:   15   No:   0   Abstention:          Absent:         

7. Eligibility (Attached)

a. Approve Principal to Principal Sign-Off (21), Post-Season (17), Foreign Exchange (2), Attendance (1), Period of Participation (1)

Moved: Cathy Wreski      Seconded: Mike Craig

Yes:   15   No:   0   Abstention:          Absent:         

B. Finances

1. Presentation and Approval of Treasurer's Report:

Moved: Adam Sheaffer      Seconded: Greg Goldthorp

C. Sports Chairman Reports

1. **Baseball** – Tulley
  - a. *Game balls must have NOCSAE symbol on every baseball.*
2. **Basketball** – Bitting
  - a. *Reviewed 2019-2020 Championships*
  - b. *All Games will start at 7:00 PM*
  - c. *Every School hosting should receive a Spalding Basketball*
  - d. *Sponsor Night will be held in the Giant Center Friday of Finals Week.*
3. **Bowling** – Tulley/Bohannon
  - a. *Championship Sat. Feb. 22 @ Clearview Lanes*
4. **Competitive Spirit**- Goldthorp – *No Report*
5. **Cross Country** – Griffiths - *No Report*
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
  - a. *Reviewed 2019-2020 Winter Championships*
17. **Officials**- Czarnecki/Wreski
  - a. *Bill McHale was elected as the Male Official representative who will replace Rich Czarnecki. Bill will start July 1, 2020.*
18. **Parent Rep Report**-Henry/Lyons – *No Report*
19. **School Board**-Shaffner - *No Report*

20. **Sportsmanship**-Wreski - *No Report*

21. **Clothing**-Rinehart - *No Report*

D. PIAA Update

- Passed on Final Reading – Article XVI “Season and out of Season Rules and Regulations” The schools’ interscholastic athletic uniform may not be used by community organizations, groups or students; (Practice Jersey’s may be worn but no game uniforms).
- Passed on 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Article I “Age” Section 1 – A student who is ineligible under this provision shall not participate in any practice for the collision sports of football, wrestling, and boys’ lacrosse.
- Passed on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading - Discussion on changing the Disqualification Rule to a more severe penalty in all sports. Potential changes are 1 game for student-athletes and 2 games for coaches with the addition of completing a NFHS Sportsmanship Course filed on the PIAA website before competing in another contest.
  
- Passed on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading in the sport of Football:
  - Permit Teams, upon mutual agreement, and for sub-varsity Contests only, to allow for modification of timing and playing rules; and
  - Require heat acclimatization to be 5 days for Teams, to occur Monday through Friday - and to permit that Teams that complete the 5 days of heat acclimatization to have an inter-school practice on day 6 (no contact allowed) – Saturday – and then have the Team’s first full contact Scrimmage on the following Friday and be allowed to play their first Contest during week zero;
- Passed on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading in the sport of Golf:
  - Adopt additional language regarding girls playing in the boys’ individual championship tournament; and
  - Adopt a revised calendar for championships, which would move up the dates of regional, individual and team championships.
- Passed on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading in the sport of Field Hockey:
  - Accepted the recommendation from the Field Hockey Steering Committee to modify the Overtime procedure for Championship Finals to be two (2) 10-minute Reduced Player Sudden Victory;
- Passed on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading in the sport of Cross Country:
  - Adopt a policy which would provide for a guaranteed number of two (2) qualifiers and ten (10) non-team individuals from a qualifying District or Region with 12 or more schools;
- Passed on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading in the sport of Soccer:
  - Authorize the Administrative Staff to submit a rules proposal to the NFHS Soccer Rules Committee for consideration of adopting a “soft red card;”
  - Modify the last five minutes’ substitution rule, to provide that if play has implicated the use of a “mercy rule”, the clock will not be stopped for substitution by the team in the lead;
- Request of the Soccer Steering Committee, which was rejected by the Board, to move the start of the fall season to the first day of heat acclimatization for all sports; and
- Approval of Member School for District 3 for the 2020-2021 School Year
  - La Academia Partnership Charter School
- The next PIAA Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at the PIAA office.

E. Special Committee Reports

1. Programs
  - a. *Schools that have a bye will not get programs they will come from the school that you are playing if any remain from first round site.*
2. Finance Committee Report
  - a. *Will meet in Spring time in conjunction with Manual Committee*
3. District 3 Manual Committee
  - a. *Will meet in Spring time in conjunction with Finance Committee*
4. Update on corporate sponsorship/website
  - a. OSS update
    - i *Press Conference was held on Friday, January 31, 2020*

F. Old Business

1. RFP for Trophies and Medals
  - a. *Bob Baker will revise RFP and send out and open on April 22*

G. New Business

1. Insurance for Officials
  - a. *District 3 should cover since they are paying for officials at schools.*
2. Adding Games after deadline. Should we have a policy:
  - a. *Lots of discussion but no policy was made. Strongly encourage schools not to add and drop contest to improve power rating.*
3. Preview of Football 2020-21
  - a. *Playoff structure was discussed and a chart will be set up for the next two-year cycle and passed at the June meeting. Several sports will change on the number of teams that will qualify for the District playoffs in some classifications.*
4. Donation for Peyton Walker Foundation
  - a. *A \$1,000 Donation will be given to the Peyton Walker Foundation*
5. *Approved a purchase of a lap top for Bob Baker for Swimming and Diving and Track & Field. Cost of \$1,800. Had to replace and upgrade.*
6. Discussion on a basketball coach from Steelton Highspire with multiple disqualifications:
  - a. *Decision to suspend for all activities with the Basketball program including practices, games at all levels until a hearing on March 12 with the District Committee.*

Moved: Pat Tulley      Seconded: Arnie Fritzius  
Yes:   15   No:   0        Abstention:        Absent:       

7. Approve Co-ops:

Host School: Harrisburg Academy  
Guest School: Covenant Christian School  
Sports: Boys Tennis  
Years: 2019-20 until Termination

Host School: Christian School of York  
Guest School: Logo Academy  
Sports: Baseball, B/G Cross Country  
Years: 2020-21 until Termination

Moved: Mike Craig      Seconded: Dina Henry  
Yes:   15   No:   0        Abstention:        Absent:

I. Upcoming Date(s) to Remember

- Thursday, March 12, 2020 @ PIAA
- Annual Meeting Wednesday, April 22, 2020 @ Eden Resort 8:30 AM

J. Adjournment

1. Motion to Adjourn

Moved: Greg Goldthorp

Seconded: Steph Deibler

Yes:   15   No:   0  

Abstention:          Absent: