

PRINCIPALS: Please Share These Minutes with Your Athletic Director
Regular Meeting of PIAA District 6 – December 12, 2018

Call to Order of the December 12, 2018, Meeting

Chairman Marshall called the meeting of the District 6 Committee to order at 3:36 p.m. at the Ebensburg Country Club.

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

Others present were: Chuck Gojmerac, Tom Elling, Barry Kline, and Dr. David Crumrine.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Susan Kovensky and James Price, the minutes from the November 8, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved.

Financial Reports

On a motion by Curtis Whitesel and Kim Hubler, the Committee unanimously approved the November 2018 Financial Report.

Old Business

The PIAA BOD meeting held on November 14, 2018 was discussed. Highlighting that sub committees should not be using the PIAA as their identifier.

New Business

A. Review of Disqualifications - There were no disqualifications to report at this time.

B. Discussion of the Committee's involvement with a recent incident of a coach was deemed unnecessary due to the coach's school district handling the incident appropriately.

C. 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	Grade	Transfer	Sport(s)	Motion
Kaden Vail	11	Phillipsburg to Tyrone	Swimming*	Vasas, Rainey
Eli Spears	11	GAR Memorial HS to St. College	Boys Basketball*	Vasas, Rainey
Evan Courts	11	St. Joes to State College	Wrestling*	Vasas, Rainey
Julian Simmons	11	St. Joes to State College	Wrestling*	Vasas, Rainey
Evan Burkhardt	10	Forest Hills to Bishop McCort	Basketball, Track*	Vasas, Rainey
Dustin Flinn	8	Brockway to Forest Hills	Football, Wrestling*	Vasas, Rainey
Lane Aikey	10	St Joes to Bellefonte Area	Wrestling*	Vasas, Rainey
Calvin Ivie	11	Arizona to Mifflin County	Swimming	Vasas, Rainey
Grace Parks	11	Kansas to Hollidaysburg	Basketball, Softball	Vasas, Rainey
Bria Bair	8	Conemaugh Valley to Bishop McCort	Volleyball, Basketball, Softball	Vasas, Rainey
Kayleigh Horner	9	Conemaugh Valley to Bishop McCort	Volleyball, Softball	Vasas, Rainey
Xavier Adams	10	Jersey Shore (PA) to Hollidaysburg	Wrestling, Track	Vasas, Rainey
Kaileb Robert Ghezzi	9	Ferndale to Richland	Football, Baseball	Vasas, Rainey

Deemed ineligible for post season play:

Name	Grade	Transfer	Sport(s)	Motion
Kaden Vail	11	Phillipsburg to Tyrone	Track*	Vasas, Rainey
Evan Burkhardt	10	Forest Hills to Bishop McCort	Football(19-20)*	Vasas, Rainey
Matthew Fluck	12	Agora Charter to WB	Basketball	Vasas, Rainey

D. Foreign exchange 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	Transfer	Sport(s)	Motion
Eduardo Alves de Sousa Dutra, Brazil	St. College HS	Girls Basketball	Cecere, Kovensky
Ririka Okano, Japan	Mo Valley	Girls Basketball	Cecere, Kovensky
Lilly Balzer, Germany	Marion Center		Cecere, Kovensky

* – Executive Committee tentative approval

- E.** On a motion by Ralph Cecere and Susan Kovensky, the Committee unanimously approved to invite a Bishop McCort representative to the January 2019 meeting to discuss the steps that Bishop McCort has been taking towards their probation that was initiated November 8, 2017, as part of a one-year review.
- F.** The December 5th PIAA BOD meeting discussed the advice from counsel that to separate the playoffs would be in violation of the 1972 law.
- G.** The Committee also conversed on the ongoing lawsuits and the effect they may have on insurance coverages.
- H.** The six classifications possibly going to four was discussed.
- I.** The potential for officials having to become school district employees in lieu of contracts was also discussed.
- J.** The Committee was informed that the physical location of each District Playoff contest in football, baseball, basketball and boy's lacrosse since December 8, 2014 is needed as soon as possible.
- K.** Handouts on girls/boys basketball classifications and a draft of the rankings were distributed to the Committee. Topics such as the District 10 formula and the Portage Area School District changing to 5A were added to discussion.

Individual Sports Reports

On a motion by James Price and Brandon Bailey, the Committee unanimously approved the financial report for Cross Country.

Mike Hudak informed the committee that Penn State's White Course may also be interested in being a playoff location. Locations will be voted on at the January meeting.

Kim Hubler notified the committee that Competitive Cheer will be held this upcoming weekend, with a total of 15 teams participating.

Communication

William Marshall announced that Sherry Montgomery will need to be notified immediately of any deposits that are made. Also, the when contacting her, to please use her District VI email address.

Mike Hudak suggested that the District VI handbook also include that the District VI Committee reserves the right to change the location of games.

Ralph Cecere, Phil Riccio, and the Altoona Area School District were all recognized for a job well done for the District VI Football Playoffs during inclement of weather.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Committee, Michael Cacciotti moved, and Susan Kovensky seconded, the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:26 p.m.

The Next Meeting

The next meeting of the PIAA District 6 Committee will be held on Wednesday, January 9th at Penn Cambria HS Library at 3:30 PM.