

PRINCIPALS: Please Share These Minutes with Your Athletic Director
Regular Meeting of PIAA District VI – February 1, 2023

Call to Order of the February 1, 2023 meeting, Chairman Marshall called the meeting of the District VI Committee to order at 3:29 p.m. at Penn Cambria High School.

Present - Michael Cacciotti, Chuck Gojmerac, Tina Greene, Michael Hudak, Deanna Jubeck, Susan Kovensky, Travis Lee, Tish Maclay, William Marshall, Jacquelyn Mento, Jody Rainey, Timothy Regan, Phil Riccio, Stephen Shutters, Cullen Stokes, and Curtis Whitesel.

Absent - Ralph Cecere, Dane Harrold, Stacy Kuster, Jeffrey Miller, Molly Pomeroy-Hoover, and Richard Schreier.

Public Comments - There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Sue Kovensky and Tina Greene, the minutes from the January 11, 2023 meeting were unanimously approved.

Financial Reports

On a motion by Curtis Whitesel and Chuck Gojmerac, the Committee unanimously approved the District VI Monthly Financial Report for January.

Old Business

Phil Riccio updated the Committee on wrestling with items such as; AA teams duals host sites held at Huntingdon, Bald Eagle, Penns Valley, and United high schools. Mr. Riccio also compared last year's reports with this year's.

William Marshall informed the Committee on basketball including Mount Aloysius College to host all championship games, Saturday games will start at 1:30, information will be provided to athletic directors tomorrow, and media questions on host sites. Mr. Marshall stated that a survey will be provided to athletic directors and principals at the annual meeting on higher seeds hosting through to the championship games verses neutral sites.

Curtis Whitesel updated the Committee on swimming and diving. Mr. Whitesel stated that information on the tournaments was posted today; as discussed at last month's District VI meeting, there will be a five dollar charge; and due to a scheduling conflict, Travis Lee has agreed to take his place at the tournaments.

New Business

Review of Disqualifications – Michael Hudak informed the Committee that there has been no disqualification since January's Committee meeting. Mr. Hudak provided a handout that included a comparison with last year's disqualifications, that showed more than fifty percent decrease in DQ's. Mr. Hudak thanked all the schools, athletic directors, principals, officials, and coaches for their excellent job and effort in lowering disqualifications.

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
Walter Rodgers	8	Bishop McCort to Forest Hills	Wrestling	Maclay, Riccio
Camila Batista Martinez	7	Johnstown to Bishop McCort	Basketball	Maclay, Riccio
Sara Grela	8	Cheraw SD to Richland	Basketball	Maclay, Riccio
Kennedy Williams	11	Texas to Huntingdon	Softball	Maclay, Riccio
Gage Myers	9	Portage to Bishop Guilfoyle	Football, Baseball	Maclay, Riccio
Ameiah Hayward	10	Johnstown to Bishop McCort	None	Maclay, Riccio

William Marshall complimented Molly Pomeroy-Hoover on her outstanding job handling an incident that occurred with a member school allowing eighth grade cheerleaders to practice with varsity. Mr. Marshall stated that UCA must follow the state's cheer guidelines and rules, and that it was clearly stated that eighth graders are not permitted to practice with varsity. Further actions for the member school is still pending, and as of today, no information has been provided.

Mr. Marshall updated the Committee on two member schools self-reporting. One school has submitted an improvement plan for exceeding the number of competitions and no further actions will take place for the other school that self-reported.

The Committee discussed HomeTown Ticket sponsorship for basketball, agreeing that Committee members will reach out to potential sponsors.

William Marshall informed the Committee on items such as: that the April Banquet will be held on April 20th at the Blair County Convention Center and that membership fees will be further discussed at March's District VI meeting.

The Committee conversed on the 2023-2024 election process that included ballots for all high school principals, both junior high principals, girls athletic representative position, and one athletic director position. The Committee also discussed Molly Pomeroy-Hoover's parent representative position.

Communication

Jody Rainey updated the Committee on District VI apparel.

The Next Meeting

The District VI Committee will meet on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at the Penn Cambria High School Library at 3:30 p.m.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Committee, Michael Cacciotti moved, and Timothy Regan seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:08 p.m.