

PRINCIPALS: Please Share These Minutes with Your Athletic Director
Regular Meeting of PIAA District 6 – September 9, 2017

Call to Order of the September 6, 2017, Meeting

Chairman Crumrine called the meeting of the District 6 Committee to order at 3:30 PM at the Altoona Area School District Board Room. Present were: Michael Cacciotti, Ralph Cecere Jr., David Crumrine, Joe Gironda, Charles Glasser, David Heim, Kim Hubler, Michael Hudak, Susan Kovensky, Jody Rainey, Lorie Ratchford, Phil Riccio, and Curtis Whitesel. Brian Ishler, William Marshall, Gary Jubas and Curt Vasas were not present.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by James Price and Curtis Whitesel, the minutes of the August 1, 2017 meeting were approved.

Financial Reports

On a motion by Ralph Cecere and Susan Kovensky, the Committee unanimously approved the August 2017 Financial Report.

Sportsmanship

Good sportsmanship is something that is taught, modeled and reinforced. Michael Hudak and Susan Kovensky reviewed the below-listed disqualification forms.

VFB Glendale player unsportsmanlike conduct

Eligibility Hearings

On a motion by James Price and David Heim, eligibility was granted to the following students and they are eligible to participate in athletics at the school they are attending:

- Nathan Lamb, transferring from Bishop Carroll to Cambria Heights, BB;
- MacKenzy Ferguson, transferring from Sayre to Central, S, BB, SD;
- Michael Barbato, transferring from Bishop McCort to Westmont, FB, T;
- Jarod Hoover, transferring from Bishop Carroll to Penn Cambria, R, BB;
- Jessica Watson, transferring from Altoona to Bishop Guilfoyle, C;
- Alaina Popovich, transferring from Bishop McCort to United, S;
- Bailey Popovich, transferring from Divine Mercy to United, S;
- Morgan O’Neill, transferring from Penn Cambria to Hollidaysburg, VB, BB;
- Blake Johnstone, transferring from Altoona to Bellwood;
- Sarah Helsel, transferring from Westmont to Penn Cambria, VB;
- Alexandra Boyles, transferring from Bishop Carroll to Central Cambria, BB, SB;
- Megan McKee, transferring from Johnstown to Bishop McCort, SB;
- Autumn Ickes, transferring from Bedford to Mifflin County, T;
- Micah Haney, transferring from Bishop McCort to Ferndale, S, BB;
- Tajahi Thomas, transferring from Berlin to Ferndale, S, BB, T;
- Gabriella Cantos, transferring from Central to Hollidaysburg, S;
- Amillia Bowser, transferring from Punxsutawney to Bellwood Antis, S;
- Mark Stewart, transferring from Bishop Guilfoyle to Bellwood Antis, Ba, BB;
- Madison Espesito, transferring from Ferndale to United, Cheer, BB,
- Alese Rinker, transferring from Bishop Guilfoyle to Altoona, T, TF;
- Josephine Smith, transferring from Lower Dauphin to Juniata, S, BB, T;
- Keegan Rothrock, transferring from Bellefonte to Saint Joseph, W;
- Marby Foreman, transferring from Blairsville to United, BB, and
- Madisyn Pannebaker and Brandon Beltz, Mifflin County attendance waivers.

The motion also included the following International Students from China who will be attending Bishop Carroll:

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| QiXiang Fan | Ningxin Kong |
| Kaijie Ji | Jiahui Li |
| Baihan Lin | Xinyu Lu |
| Yiqian Mao | Honghai Xu |
| Rui Yin | Xiaoyun Zhu |

The vote was 14-0.

On a motion by Jody Rainey and Michael Cacciotti eligibility was granted to Curtis Dukes, based on Article 8, Section 6B. Curtis is eligible to wrestle at Altoona. The vote was 13-0-1, Phil Riccio abstained from voting.

On a motion by Susan Kovensky and Michael Cacciotti eligibility was granted to Jordyn Smith. Jordyn is eligible to participate in athletics at Forest Hills. The vote was 6-5-2; Ralph Cecere and Joe Gironda abstained from voting.

On a motion by Jody Rainey and Michael Cacciotti eligibility was granted to Jacob Ardary. Jacob is eligible to participate in athletics at Bishop McCort. The vote was 7-5.

On a motion by Joe Gironda and Jody Rainey eligibility was granted to Will Haslett. Will is eligible to participate athletics at Bishop McCort. The vote 7-4-1, Ralph Cecere abstained from voting.

Information

Enrollment numbers as of October 1st are due to the PIAA Board of Control no later than October 15th; please make sure your numbers are accurate.

Co-Op updates...Article III, Section 11, Subsection C (page 15) of the PIAA bylaws says;

“Any student whose own school does not sponsor a particular sport and who was a member of a team during the season that a Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport Agreement was in place may, upon termination of such agreement, and with the consent of the Principals of the schools to the agreement, continue to participate on such teams as if said agreement remains in effect. Such student however is not eligible to participate on the other school’s team if the student’s own school then sponsors a team in that sport.”

On a motion by James Price and Phil Riccio, the request from the ICC league for championships was approved in the following sports:

FALL 2017

Golf
Cross Country
Girls Soccer
Volleyball

WINTER 2018

Boys Varsity and JH Basketball
Girls Varsity and JH Basketball
JH Wrestling Individual Championship Torun.

SPRING 2018

Boy’s Track and Field
Girls Track and Field
Varsity and JH Baseball
Varsity and JH Softball

On a motion by Curtis Whitesel and Kathy Getz, the request from the Heritage Conference for championships was approved in the following sports: boys and girls basketball, baseball, and softball.

On a motion by Michael Cacciotti and David Heim, the request from the West PAC league for championships was approved in the following sports: volleyball, boys and girls basketball, wrestling, track and field, baseball, and softball.

On a motion by Kim Hubler and Jody Rainey, the request from the LHAC league for championships was approved in the following sports: cross country, volleyball, boys and girls basketball, and track and field.

On a motion by Ralph Cecere and Susan Kovensky permission was granted to Bishop Carroll and St. Joseph to play a 11th football game if neither team makes the playoffs.

Foreign Exchange Eligibility Hearings

On a motion by Kim Hubler and James Price, the following students have a J1 VISA and are approved to participate in sports: Please provide Chairman Rossi with the PIAA form, J1 Visa and the CIPPE form when asking for eligibility.

Wendy Marcela Diaz Torres	Peru	Keystone Central
Christopher Aggersbjerg	Denmark	Bishop Guilfoyle
Felix Weichard	Germany	Ligonier Valley
Alberto Lopez	Spain	Central
Maitane Anton Elizalde	Spain	Marion Center
Kryspin Kucera	Czech Republic	Central
Tarald Mosdol	Norway	Central

The Next Meeting

The next meeting of the PIAA District 6 Committee will be held on **Tuesday, October 3, 2017, at the Altoona Area School District Board Room at 3:15 PM.**

Other dates for meetings: Wednesday, November 1st and Thursday, December 14th.

With no further business to come before the Committee, Curtis Whitesel moved and Jody Rainey seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Time was 8:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sherry Montgomery
Secretary/Treasurer