

**PRINCIPALS: Please Share These Minutes with Your Athletic Director**  
**Regular Meeting of PIAA District 6 – January 17, 2008**

**Call to Order of the January 17, 2008, Meeting**

Chairman Wotkowski called the meeting of the District 6 Committee to order at 3:30 PM. Present were: Raymond Wotkowski, Alberta Ake, Kenneth Bussard, Craig Butler, Ralph Cecere, David Crumrine, Kathy Getz, Charles Glasser, Donald Hosterman, Kim Hubler, Michael Hudak, Thomas Kakabar, Norman Krumenacker, Vince Nedimyer, James Price, Dean Rossi, Kenneth Salem and Albert D'Ambrosia.

**Approval of Minutes**

On a motion by Alberta Ake and Thomas Kakabar, the minutes of the December 5, 2007, meeting were approved.

**Financial Reports**

On a motion by Dean Rossi and Vince Nedimyer, the Committee unanimously approved the December District 6 Financial Report.

On a motion by Charles Glasser and James Price, the Soccer financial report given by Albert D'Ambrosia was approved.

On a motion by Kathy Getz and Craig Butler, the Girls Volleyball financial report given by James Price was approved.

Discussion was held regarding the status of the proposed transfer rule. This proposal will be discussed on January 24, 25, with the recommendation to reorganize the Ad Hoc committee and further develop the modifications. Our D-6 discussion centered around the limitations to even bring an eligibility case for consideration. The principal to principal sign-off transfer forms will be modified to reflect the changes. The official D-6 position on the existing transfer rule is to not support the motion in its current form. The re-draft of the transfer rule, as proposed, will be required to pass the three reading protocol by May 21-22 of this year. Copies will be shared via email, for member schools to review and communicate concerns.

**Sportsmanship**

A sportsmanship concern was discussed resulting in the D-6 board asking each of our member schools to review their policies and practices during competitions. Student cheer sections, appropriateness of comments, staying off of the playing surface, post game supervision, visual supervision presence, etc. were discussed. The required sportsmanship message that is read by officials before each contest states: Actions meant to demean opposing players, coaches, spectators and officials are not in the highest ideals of good sportsmanship and will not be tolerated. Please do what you can during this winter sports season to promote positive athletic relations.

**Disqualifications**

Mike Hudak and Kathy Getz reviewed the below-listed disqualification forms.

BVB                      Bald Eagle Area                      player                      flagrant foul

BJVB	Ferndale	player	fighting
BJVB	Conemaugh Valley	player	fighting
VW	Philipsburg-Osceola	player	2 unsporting
BJHB	Conemaugh Valley	coach	unsporting comments
BVB	Penn Cambria	player	punched opponent
VW	Mount Union	player	unsporting comments

**Fall Sports Steering Committees**

Fall sports steering committee meeting workshop results were presented and discussed for football, cross-country, volleyball, field hockey, and soccer.

**Eligibility Hearings**

There were no eligibility hearings, however a discussion took place regarding the necessary documentation to support waiving PIAA By Law, Art. VIII, Period of Participation, sec. 6A and 6B, which in essence would grant additional eligibility. Specifically, facts of finding must contain documentation to support illness, injury, and debilitating personal conditions that would be equal to a debilitating injury/illness, as the reason for repeating the academic/sporting year.

**Foreign Exchange Eligibility Hearings**

On a motion by Kim Hubler and Michael Hudak, the following students have a J1 VISA and were approved to participate in sports:

Kai-Hsan Chang	Taiwan	Lewistown	BB
Axel Hernborg	Sweden	Altoona	

**Information**

The District 6 Committee is requesting the athletic directors to provide the principal's name, of their school, to Sherry Montgomery at [shermonty@gmail.com](mailto:shermonty@gmail.com). Your assistance is appreciated in updating our list.

**The Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the PIAA District 6 Committee will be held on **Tuesday, February 5, 2008, at the Hollidaysburg Area High School at 3:30 PM.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Sherry Montgomery*  
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 Secretary/Treasurer