

DISTRICT 5

PENNSYLVANIA INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Arena, Bedford

April 18, 2007

PIAA District 5 Committee Members Present

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| 1. Virgil Palumbo, Windber - Chairman | 12. Brown Cutchall, Foeses Road-Jr. High |
| 2. David Koba, Conemaugh Twp. - Vice Chairman | 13. Audrey Hall, McConnellsburg-Officials |
| 3. Larry Palmer, Advisor - Treasurer | 14. Larry Garlock, Nor.Bed.- School Board |
| 4. Richard W. Fisher, Advisor- Secretary | 15. Connie Mellott, So.Ful.- Female Parent |
| 5. Kerry Barefoot, Bedford - Boys Soccer | 16. Randy Bussard, Male Parent Rep. |
| 6. Michael Panek, Tussey Mt.-Cross Country | |
| 7. Joseph Kimmel, Shade Twp.-Football | |
| 8. Thomas Vent, Berlin Brothersvalley-Football | |
| 9. Todd Beatty, McConnellsburg - Softball | |
| 10. Ralph DeMarco, Windber - Ath. Dir. Rep. | |
| 11. Jeff Batzel, Northern Bedford-Ath. Dir.Rep. | |

Guests Present

1. Mark Clevenger, Chestnut Ridge A.D.
2. Jim Clark, Chestnut Ridge Wrestling
3. Bill Creps, Bedford
4. Joe Bradley, North Star Principal
5. Stacey Schmidt, North Star A.D.
6. Fred Foster, Forbes Road Principal

1. The District Committee met with District 5 Principals and Athletic Directors and with Brad Cashman, PIAA Executive Director, beginning at 10:00 A.M. Mr. Cashman explained new amendments to be voted on and explained new PIAA bylaws. Mr. Palumbo and Mr. Jeff Batzell presented Mike Podlesnik of Meyersdale, 2006 PIAA 1600 meter champion, with a plaque of appreciation. The committee and guests enjoyed a delicious buffet lunch.
2. The District 5 PIAA Committee meeting was convened at 1:15.
3. Approval of February 24, 2007 minutes. Motion-Hall, DeMarco
4. Approval of Treasurer's report and bills. Motion-Kimmel, Hall
 - a. Forever of Pa., Inc. - \$30.00
 - b. Chester's Flowers - \$61.50
5. Election of Officers for the 2007-2008 School Year.
 - a. Chairman - Virgil Palumbo. Motion-Garlock, Batzel. Motion Close-Hall, Kimmel
 - b. Vice-Chairman - Dave Koba. Motion-Kimmel, DeMarco. Motion Close-Garlock, Batzel
 - c. Secretary - Richard Fisher. Motion-Koba, Hall. Motion Close-Batzel, Panek
 - d. Treasurer - Larry Palmer. Motion-Garlock, Cutchall. Motion Close-Hall, Cutchall
6. Approval of foreign exchange students. Motion-Kimmel, Barefoot
 - a. Leena Stangl - Austria - Chestnut Ridge
 - b. Baher Nokbrova - Turkmenistan - Fannett Metal. Pending approval of program.
7. Larry Garlock is in his final school year as School Board Representative. He was not going to run for board re-election, but now is doing so. If Larry is not able to be re-appointed, the School Board Association will appoint a new representative for the 2007-2009 years.
8. Jim Clark, Chestnut Ridge Wrestling coach, presented a proposal to include dual matches wrestled in dual meet team tournaments to be included in the rankings for the dual meet team tournament. The district wrestling chairman supported the coaches. After a great deal of discussion, all district sport chairmen were directed to go back to their sport and bring recommendations to the May 2nd meeting for a possible decision. Much of the long discussion was how a decision may affect other sports ranking systems.
 - a. The District Wrestling Tournament will remain in Windber. UPJ does not want.
 - b. Bill Creps attended the state wrestling steering meeting. The District 5 team champ will advance directly to the state championships. District 1 has agreed because of District 5 success at states

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9. Discussion and New Business

- a. Johnstown Christian did not attend a Boys Basketball Rules Meeting. The PIAA fine of \$100.00 has not been paid. If not paid they will not compete in any districts. The District 5 Committee is concerned with their following of district procedures.
- b. Football coops.
 - (1.) Be it resolved that the senior high football coop between Salisbury and Rockwood be dissolved immediately. Both school boards have approved. Motion-Barefoot, Garlock
 - (2.) Be it resolved that a senior high football coop be formed between Rockwood and Turkeyfoot for the 2007 school year pending approval and proper documentation by both school boards. Motion-Barefoot, Panek
 - (3.) Be it resolved that a senior high football coop be formed between Salisbury and Meyersdale for the 2007 school year pending approval and proper documentation by both school boards. Motion-Garlock, Kimmel
- c. The PIAA is studying proposals for 4, 5, and 6 classes in football. District 5 is to vote no on the 3rd reading of the WPIAL transfer rule proposal.
- d. The spring sport schedules have been heavily affected by adverse weather. After a time of discussion, the committee established some ranking decisions for district qualifying in baseball and softball.
 - (1.) A minimum of 14 baseball or softball games must be played to qualify.
 - (2.) Make every effort to play all district 5 schools on the schedule.
 - (3.) If unable to play district 5 opponents, both schools must submit in writing to the sport chairman and the district chairman why not playing. If a non-district school game is not played, our district school must submit why the game can not be played.
- e. The newly formed District 5 Athletic Director's Association made a presentation. They would like to establish district all-star games and establish scholarships for district student athletes. The District Committee voted to give a donation of \$1500 to the A.D. association for the first year to aid in the presentation of scholarships. The future depends on funds. Motion-Hall, Barefoot
- f. The committee will further discuss Mr. Batzels football ranking proposal.
- g. The committee discussed some basketball playoff issues.
 - (1.) Official assignments will be studied for district playoffs.
 - (2.) Starting times of the championship games will be looked at in summer.
 - (3.) Cutting down of the nets by teams. will be allowed at championship games.
- h. Words of sympathy and flowers were given to the Dave Koba family on the death of Dave's father.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 4:50.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard W. Fisher, District 5 Secretary