

PIAA DISTRICT 5

PENNSYLVANIA INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Arena, Bedford

April 16, 2008

PIAA District 5 Committee Members Present

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| 1. Virgil Palumbo, Windber - Chairman | 10. Brown Cutchall, Forbes Road - Golf, Jr.High |
| 2. Dave Koba, Conemaugh Twp. - Vice Chr. | 11. Jeff Batzel, Nor.Bedford -Ath.Dir., Track |
| 3. Larry Palmer, Advisor - Treasurer | 12. Ralph DeMarco, Windber -Ath.Dir., Tennis |
| 4. Dick Fisher, Advisor - Secretary | 13. Joe Kimmel, Chestnut Ridge-Supt.,Wrestling |
| 5. Todd Beatty, McConnellsburg - Softball | 14. Chris Cronrath, Nor.Bedford - School Board |
| 6. Mike Panek, Tussey Mt.-Cross Country | 15. Audrey Hall, McConnellsburg - Girls Soccer |
| 7. Max Shoemaker,Chestnut Ridge-Football | 16. Connie Mellott, Southern Ful.-Female Parent |
| 8. Tom Vent, Berlin Brothers. - Football | 17. Paul Leonard, Shade -Tech. Coord., Website |
| 9. John Wiltrout, Meyersdale | |

Guests

1. Craig Gindlesperger, Meyersdale Ath.Dir.
2. Gary Buchsen, Windber Principal

At 10.00 A.M. the Principals and Athletic Directors of District 5 met with the District Committee and with Dr. Bob Lombardi and Mark Byers of the PIAA Executive Staff. The group engaged in the following business.

1. Mr. Palumbo welcomed the group and introduced the District 5 Committee members.
2. Dr. Lombardi and Mr. Byers presented two new PIAA Amendments for District 5 vote and explained new PIAA bylaws, rules, and actions.
3. PIAA Sportsmanship banners will be presented at the August 6 meeting.
4. The District 5 Athletic Director's Association presented 2007-2008 Scholarship Awards of \$750.00 to the following District 5 Scholar Athletes.
 - a. Kayla Hetrick - Salisbury-Elk Lick High School
 - b. Nicole Hankinson - Berlin Brothersvalley High School
 - c. Jordan Donaldson - Tussey Mountain High School
 - d. Vincent Paczek - Windber Area High School
5. Mr. Palumbo presented a plaque to Kristen Palmer of Southern Fulton High School. She has sung the National Anthem at 6 PIAA State Championship events.
6. Mr. Palumbo and Mr. Joe Kimmel, District Wrestling Chairman, presented a plaque to PIAA State Wrestling Champion Gary Pfahler of Chestnut Ridge High School.
7. The group enjoyed a delicious lunch.

1. The District 5 PIAA Committee meeting was convened at 1:15.
2. Approval of the January 16, 2008 meeting minutes. Motion-Kimmel, Cronrath
3. Approval of Treasurer's report and discussion of game manager fees. They will be further discussed at the Summer Workshop meeting. Motion - Vent, Beatty
4. Election of Officers for the 2008-2009 PIAA School Year.
 - a. Chairman - Virgil Palumbo - Motion-Hall, DeMarco. Motion to close-Kimmel, Panek
 - b. Vice-Chair- Joe Kimmel - Motion-Hall, Cutchall. Motion to close-Vent, Panek
 - c. Secretary - Dick Fisher - Motion-Hall, Batzel. Motion to close-Panek, Beatty
 - d. Treasurer - Larry Palmer-Motion-DeMarco, Panek. Motion to close-Hall, Beatty
5. Correspondence.
 - a. Our morning meeting was attended by 100% of our District 5 Member Schools.
 - b. The situation concerning a basketball coach and PIAA official at Hyndman was well handled by the Hyndman principal. He was praised by the committee. Motion to approve his actions. - Vent, Panek.

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5. Correspondence (continued).

- c. A letter from a concerned fan about a basketball game at McConnellsburg was answered. All the right calls were made. The situation is settled. We will need to address official evaluations for the 2008-2009 school year.

6. New Business.

- a. A new PIAA Class AA Football Sub-Regional for District 5 and District 8 is nearing reality. The District 5 AA Champion would play the District 8 AA Champion and the winner would then play the District 9 AA Champion. District 6 has approved this change. Mr.Palumbo is still working on details of the PIAA move and the District 5 Committee would have to establish procedures on how to determine our AA Champion from among the three schools involved. More details will be forthcoming in future committee meetings.
- b. The new proposed PIAA Transfer Rule was discussed. It has some merits, but needs further study. Mr.Palumbo instructed to vote no at the state level and to ask for more study before implementation.
- c. Approval of foreign exchange student. Motion-Beatty, Panek
(1.) Everett - Jittranuch Satienpaisarn - Thailand
- d. Approval of co-op in volleyball between Rockwood High School and Turkeyfoot High School beginning the 2008-2009 school year pending receipt of paper work by Mr.Palumbo. Motion-Cronrath, Batzel
- e. Approval of co-op in boys and girls soccer grades 7-12 between Shade Schools and Johnstown Christian School beginning 2008-2009 school year pending receipt of paper work by Mr.Palumbo. Motion-Cronrath, Batzel
- f. Approval of the Junior High Mountain Wrestling Conference to conduct their annual Conference Tournament Championship in accord with the new PIAA policy taking affect on July 1, 2008, governing the right to conduct their league or conference championship with no use of PIAA regular season contest points. This allows the use of three contest points to be used during the regular season. District 6 will have to approve this also. Motion-Kimmel, Batzel

7. Discussion Items.

- a. PIAA official at scoring table for playoff games.
- b. Official Selections - An official who refuses a playof game will be out of the playoff and receive no playoff games for next season. This is consistent with past playoff practices.
- c. The committee needs to work on new District 5 Playoff wording for AA Basketball, Baseball, and Softball. Each has only 4 schools for the 2008-2010 cycle.
- d. Clothing discussion. Dawn is working on this.
- e. Discussion for next meeting on proposal that a committee member receive a travel reimbursment when attending a district playoff championship contest beginning in 2008-2009 school year.

8. Meeting adjourned at 3:00. Motion-Kimmel, Panek

Respectfully submitted,

Richard W. Fisher

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