

# PIAA DISTRICT FIVE

## PENNSYLVANIA INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Best Western Clara's Place, Bedford

April 4, 2011

### PIAA District 5 Committee Members Present

1. Virgil Palumbo, Windber-Chairman
2. Joe Kimmel, C. Ridge-Vice-Chr., Supt.
3. Larry Palmer, Retired-Treasurer, Advisor
4. Richard Fisher, Retired-Secretary, Advisor
5. Todd Beatty, McConnellsburg-Softball
6. George Knisely, Chestnut Ridge-Baseball
7. Jonathan Donelson, Everett-Tennis
8. Dave Koba, Conemaugh Twp.-Boys Soccer
9. Dawn Maluchnick, North Star-Volleyball
10. Tom Vent, Retired-Football
11. John Wiltrout, Meyersdale-Girls Soccer
12. Brown Cutchall, Forbes Rd.-Golf, Girls Bball.
13. Lori Seth, Johnstown Christian-Private Schools
14. Jeff Batzel, Northern Bedford-Track, A.D. Rep.
15. Chris Cronrath, Northern Bedford-School Board
16. Audrey Hall, Retired-Female Officials Rep.
17. Terry Diehl, Retired-Male Officials Rep.
18. Joe Renzi, Retired-Advisor
19. Paul Leonard, ShadeTwp.-Tech. Chr., Website

### Guests

1. Rod Brumbaugh, Tussey Mt.
2. Bill Creps, Bedford
3. Rich Emerick, C. Ridge
4. Kyle Kane, Bedford
5. Bruce Lightner, Bedford

1. Virgil Palumbo, Chairman, opened the morning session at 10:00A.M., welcoming the District Five Principals and Athletic Directors. He then introduced the District Five Committee.
2. Brad Cashman, PIAA Executive Director, conducted a vote on three PIAA amendments and then discussed new PIAA amendments, bylaws, and proposals.
3. Mr. Palumbo discussed district issues the committee will be talking about.
4. Award Presentations.
  - a. The committee presented District Five plaques to:
    - (1.) Peter Riley, Tussey Mt. - PIAA State Champion in Boys AA Tennis.
    - (2.) Nick Roberts, North Star - PIAA State Champion in AA Wrestling.
  - b. Lori Seth and Greg Hayes of the District Five Athletic Directors Association presented the 2010-2011 Scholarship Program winners to the following student athletes.
    - (1.) Emily Lohr - North Star High School
    - (2.) Stefanie McCoy - Chestnut Ridge High School
    - (3.) Ian Edwards - Meyersdale Area High School
    - (4.) Christopher Foore - Tussey Mountain High School
5. The group enjoyed a delicious buffet luncheon.

### District Five Committee Meeting

1. Chairman Palumbo opened the meeting at 1:08.
2. Approval of February 9, 2011 minutes. Motion-Hall, Cronrath.
3. Approval of Treasurer's report. Motion-Beatty, Donelson. All district account records were examined and reconciled. Mr. Palmer reported our excellent financial situation.
4. Mr. Renzi conducted election of officers for 2011-2012. Motion by Maluchnick, Cronrath to retain the present officers. Motion by Batzel, Diehl to close the nominations.

### 2011 - 2012 Committee Officers

- a. Chairman - Virgil Palumbo
- b. Vice Chairman - Joe Kimmel
- c. Treasurer - Larry Palmer
- d. Secretary - Richard Fisher

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### **5. Correspondence**

- a. Mr. Palumbo received a letter from the Fannett Metal Superintendent concerning some comments by Dave Bailey at the Tussey Mt. and Fannett Metal basketball game. After discussion with game officials and others at the game by Mr. Palumbo, it was decided that the officials did not hear anything and no PIAA rules were broken. The committee can do nothing at this time. Tussey Mt. should look at the situation.
- b. A letter was received from Tom Vent announcing his retirement as Principal at Berlin and that he is stepping off the committee as a voting member. He will still be available to help. He will notify Somerset County Principals to replace him as a member of the District Five Committee.
- c. Dan Webb has resigned as a member of the committee since he is now the Assistant Superintendent at Bedford. Jerry Shoemake, Principal at Tussey Mt., will replace him.
- d. A contract has been signed with Clara's Place. The next meeting will be held May 11th. Breakfast will be at 8:30 and the meeting will begin at 9:30. A meeting may be held the week of June 12th at Windber H.S.

### **6. New Business**

- a. The Four or Six classifications for football are under consideration again before the PIAA. The committee approves keeping as is the present 16 week and 4 classes in football. We will do so until we see a breakdown proposal for 6 classes.
- b. The following transfers and foreign exchanges were approved.
  - (1.) Transfer - Alexander Marshall Harry - Grade 12 - Shippensburg H.S. to Fannett Metal H.S. Motion-Batzel, Cronrath
  - (2.) Transfer - Tyler JD Murray - Grade 10 - Uniontown H.S. to Turkeyfoot H.S. Motion-Kimmel, Cronrath
  - (3.) Transfer - Levi Walker - Grade 8 - Northern Bedford H.S. to Tussey Mt. H.S. Motion - Kimmel, Batzel
  - (4.) Transfer - Nash E. Walker - Grade 9 and Wade M. Walker - Grade 10 - North Star H.S. to Shade H.S. Motion-Beatty, Cronrath
  - (5.) Foreign Exchange - Damiano Riner, Switzerland - Tussey Mt. Motion-Kimmel, Cutchall

From now on, if the committee needs more information on all transfer cases, we can request a hearing to determine the reason for the transfer.

### **c. Sports approvals.**

- (1.) Shanksville - Cross Country. Motion-Kimmel, Maluchnick
- (2.) Everett - Boys Jr.H. Soccer and Rifle. Motion-Cronrath, Kimmel

### **7. Discussion Items**

- a. Southwest Regional Wrestling Site - District 7 wants to alternate site. We need to stay with Johnstown.
  - b. District 5 qualifiers for Southwest Regional Wrestling - Will be an issue next cycle. We want to keep 3 as now guaranteed. District 6 lost one to 7 and will want it back.
  - c. How to count student enrollment for reclassification cycle. - We want to count the students only in the building the way we were, not cyber or home schooled.
  - d. Boundary Schools - Non-Boundary Schools.
    - (1.) Count enrollment - separate - divide by classes then bring together for combined classification. We support.
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### (2.) Champonships:

(a.) As is combined - No

(b.) Separate - Yes

(c.) Playoff between the two. ( Super Championship ) - Yes

### e. Coop Counting.

(1.) PIAA voted 50% on first reading and 300 students or less up from 225 students. 25% was voted down 14 to 15. We want Virgil to go for 25%. If it will not pass, support 50%.

### 8. Reports

a. Baseball and Softball - Officials need to attend a state officials convention to do state games. They can do district games without attending a state convention.

b. Wrestling Championships - A lengthy discussion was held on the site of the district championships. No decisions were made.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 3:35.

Respectfully submitted,

*Richard W. Fisher*

Richard W. Fisher, District 5 Secretary