

P.I.A.A. DISTRICT 5
JUNE 11, 2012
9:00 a.m.
WINDBER AREA HIGH SCHOOL
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
WINDBER, PENNA.
AGENDA

1. Welcome / Roll Call
2. Approval of May 9, 2011 Minutes
3. Approval of Treasurer's Report
4. Approval of New District 5 Committee Members
 - a. Somerset County Female Parent- Anita Gibbons
 - b. Bedford County Male Parent
 - c. District Committee discussion
5. Correspondence From:
 - a. Somerset County female parents Rep Anita Gibbons
 - b. Denny Mader—Softball Championships
 - c. PIAA New Administrative Alignment
 - d. PIAA Spring Officials Recommendations
 - e. District 5 Softball Official's President
6. Correspondence To:
 - a. PIAA officials for spring sports
 - b. Hyndman Charter sport offerings
 - c. Hyndman Charter Transfer Paper work
 - d. PIAA Dissolve Coop in Cross Country between Southern Fulton and Everett. (No Paper work from Everett)
 - e. PIAA Coop Approval between JCS and Shade
 - f. PIAA Softball Officials
 - g. Ordered Brief Cases
 - h. Globe Tickets have been ordered
7. Discussion Items
 - a. Ticket Prices for 2012-14
 - b. 2012-14 handbook up dates
 - c. All packet review for 2012-14
 - d. Review of all sport chair packets for 2010-12
 - e. Volleyball Proposal #1 – sites could not handle props 2&3
 - f. Ordering District 5 Tickets
 - g. Summer Works Shop August 3, 2011 at Best Western --- Time???
 - h. Baseball and Softball Official Assignments
 - i. Summer Meeting August 1, 2012 Best Western 10:a.m.

- j. Enrollment Figures – Counting Student who return to home school for sports not offered at Charter Schools
 - k. Senior Exit Projects
 - l. Pa. Schools can not play Maryland Christian Academy in Football
 - m. Cheerleading
 - n. Review PIAA MEETING SUMMARY For May, 2012
 - o. Basketball Championship site Hershey/ SCORER DRESS
 - p. Wrestling Growth December 25th.
 - q. District 8 Double Basketball play Tuesday in District 5 split gate after expense.. Football and Soccer rotate District 5 and 8 site— each District keeps Gate
 - r. Enrollment errors correction FIRST READING
 - 1. If the Board is persuaded that the error was inadvertent and unintentional
 - 2. Error caught in a timely manner and will not affect Classification or the number of qualifiers
 - 3. No history of late filings by the school
 - 4. Approval of the District Committee
8. Reports
- a. Football
 - b. Cross Country
 - c. Girls Tennis
 - d. Soccer
 - e. Golf
 - f. Volleyball
 - g. Basketball
 - 1. Eliminate Play in Games 2012-13
 - h. Wrestling
 - 1. Southwest Regional JOHNSTOWN
 - 2. Number of District Qualifiers’ will be discussed will be approved at the July meeting
 - j. Track and Field
 - k. Baseball
 - l. Softball

9. Other Items:

SUMMARY OF PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ ACTIONS AT ITS MEETING OF

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23 AND THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2012

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2012

I. Approved the Minutes of the Thursday, March 22; Friday, March 23; and Saturday, March 24, 2012, meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors.

II. Approved the following PIAA member school applications, effective July 1, 2012:

Grace Prep High School (conditioned upon PIAA District VI approval)
Eastern University Academy Charter School (PIAA District XII)
KIPP DuBois Collegiate Academy (PIAA District XII)
New Foundations Charter School (PIAA District XII)
Tacony Academy Charter High School (PIAA District XII)

III. Approved the reinstatement of a delinquent school:

Saints Cosmas and Damian School (PIAA District IX)

IV. Approved the following requests concerning cooperative sponsorship of a sport, effective at least the duration of the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 enrollment classification cycle (No affect on enrollment classification size of Team[s]):

A. Carbondale Area and Forest City Regional High Schools (PIAA District II) to cooperatively sponsor football, boys' and girls' track and field, and boys' volleyball.

B. Mount Calvary Christian School and Elizabethtown Area High School (PIAA District III) to cooperatively sponsor football.

C. York Country Day School and William Penn Senior High School (PIAA District III) to terminate cooperative sponsorship in boys' and girls' swimming and diving, conditioned upon PIAA District III Committee approval.

D. Johnstown Christian Middle School and Shade Junior High School (PIAA District V) to cooperatively sponsor football.

E. Johnstown Christian School and Shade High School (PIAA District V) to cooperatively sponsor boys' basketball and boys' and girls' cross country.

F. Johnstown Christian, Shade, and Shanksville Stonycreek High Schools (PIAA District V) to cooperative sponsor football.

V. Approved the following request concerning cooperative sponsorship of a sport, effective at least the duration of the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 enrollment classification cycle (Will affect enrollment classification of Team[s]):

Carbondale Area and Forest City Regional High Schools (PIAA District II) to cooperatively sponsor girls' volleyball.

VI. Following a presentation by Panther Valley High School (PIAA District XI),

rejected its request for relief from the enrollment report submitted, as of Monday, October 3, 2011.

VII. Accepted the unaudited financial statements for the 2011-2012 PIAA Team Wrestling, Individual Wrestling, Swimming and Diving, and Basketball Championships.

VIII. Accepted the PIAA (Headquarters Only) unaudited financial statements for

the months ended March 31 and April 30, 2012.

IX. Approved the proposed Request for Proposal (RFP) to host the 2013 and/or

2014 PIAA Boys' and Girls' Lacrosse Championships.

X. Following a third reading, approved the PIAA Volleyball Steering Committee recommendation to adopt a best three-out-of-five set match, single elimination format, for the 2012 and 2013 PIAA A, AA, and AAA Girls' Volleyball Championships and for the 2013 and 2014 PIAA AA and AAA Boys' Volleyball Championships, which would extend the championships (finals) by one week to a Saturday best three-out-of-five set match, **effective July 1, 2012.**

XI. Accepted the recommendations from the Tuesday, May 15, 2012 meeting of

the PIAA Competitive Spirit Steering Committee to:

A. Amend ARTICLE XVI, SEASON AND OUT-OF-SEASON RULES AND REGULATIONS, Section 2, Rules and Regulations, of the PIAA By-Laws, to clarify that competitive spirit has no PIAA-defined season, **effective July 1, 2012**, to read as follows:

ARTICLE XVI

**SEASON AND OUT-OF-SEASON
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

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Section 2. Rules and Regulations.

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D. Competitive Spirit.

Competitive spirit was adopted by the PIAA Board of Directors, effective July 1, 2012, as an opportunity to expand competitive opportunities for girls. Because of the unique elements of competitive spirit, application of certain PIAA By-Laws is not practical. To the extent inconsistent with the following, then, other PIAA By-Laws are waived:

1. Season. Competitive spirit has no defined season. Competitive spirit squads may not Practice or participate in any Inter-School Practice, Scrimmage, and/or Contest on more than six days in any Calendar Week. Within that limitation, they may participate in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests at any time and at the discretion of the Principal of the competitive spirit squad's member school. There is no maximum number of Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests in which a competitive spirit squad may participate.

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B. Amend ARTICLE XVI, SEASON AND OUT-OF-SEASON RULES AND REGULATIONS, Section 2, Rules and Regulations, of the PIAA By-Laws, to clarify that **1)** competitive spirit judges do not register with PIAA; and **2)** PIAA shall conduct annual competitive spirit championships, **both effective July 1, 2012**, to read as follows:

ARTICLE XVI

**SEASON AND OUT-OF-SEASON
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

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Section 2. Rules and Regulations.

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D. Competitive Spirit.

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2. Contest Officials. Competitive spirit judges do not register with PIAA. They are retained by the Tournament organizers under standards set by the Tournament organizers.

3. PIAA Championships. Annual Competitive Spirit Championships shall be held by PIAA at a date and location to be determined by the PIAA Board of Directors. PIAA may license a third party to organize and manage said Championships.

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C. Amend the policy regarding Designation of Enrollment Classifications and the Policy for Determining Number of Member Senior High Schools in Each Enrollment Classification, to clarify that neither policy is applicable to competitive spirit, **effective July 1, 2012**, to read as follows:

DESIGNATION OF ENROLLMENT CLASSIFICATIONS

For competition purposes, PIAA classifies schools (other than in competitive spirit) by (1) gender and (2) size of enrollment at schools. These classifications are created to promote equal opportunities for both boys and girls to participate in interscholastic athletics and to reduce the competitive imbalance created through competition between schools that vary significantly in enrollment.

POLICY FOR DETERMINING NUMBER OF MEMBER SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS IN EACH ENROLLMENT CLASSIFICATION

In each sport in which the PIAA Board of Directors has established multiple enrollment classifications (other than in competitive spirit), each enrollment classification shall have as nearly as possible the same number of member senior high schools sponsoring that sport.

D. Adopt a policy regarding Divisions in Competitive Spirit, which establishes three divisions in the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships, **effective July 1, 2012**, to read as follows:

DIVISIONS IN COMPETITIVE SPIRIT

In PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships, there shall be three (3) divisions. Said divisions are NOT based upon the female enrollment of students but upon the size of the competitive spirit squad entered by the member school in the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships. Those competitive spirit squads entering no more than 15 student-athletes in the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships shall participate in the Small Varsity Division. Those competitive spirit squads entering between 16 and 20 student-athletes in the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships shall participate in the Medium Varsity Division. Those competitive spirit squads entering 21 or more student-athletes in the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships shall participate in the Large Varsity Division. There shall be no presumption that the three divisions shall have an equal number of competitive spirit squads.

E. Adopt a Policy for Determining Number of Entries to PIAA Competitive

Spirit Championships, **effective July 1, 2012**, to read as follows:

**POLICY FOR DETERMINING NUMBER OF ENTRIES
TO PIAA COMPETITIVE SPIRIT CHAMPIONSHIPS**

A total of ninety-six (96) competitive spirit squads shall be admitted to participate in the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships. The number of competitive spirit squads in each division shall be determined by the number of squads entered and there shall be no presumption that the three divisions will have an equal number of competitive spirit squads.

Each PIAA District shall be entitled to enter at least one competitive spirit squad in the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships. Thereafter, additional entries are computed on a proportional representation basis determined by the number of member senior high schools within each District. Competitive spirit squads may be entered in any of the three divisions. Should any District not fill its allotment, the Executive Director, or the Executive Director's designee, may assign the additional entries to other Districts in a manner deemed appropriate by the Executive Director, or the Executive Director's designee.

F. 1) adopt the NFHS Spirit Rules Book; and **2)** modify NFHS Spirit Rule 2-1-15 (Concussion Rule), to clarify that "an appropriate health-care professional" is a licensed physician of medicine or osteopathic medicine (MD or DO), **both effective**

July 1, 2012.

XII. Rejected the request of the PIAA District I Committee to change PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships to PIAA Competitive Spirit Invitational.

XIII. Accepted the recommendations from the Saturday, March 24, 2012 meeting

of the PIAA Officials' Council to:

A. Continue the process of having paper sports examinations at local District sites in all Districts throughout the state. This provides for better customer service, hands on contact with each officials representative to further explain the registration process and answer any questions newly registered officials may have regarding officials' registration issues and background checks.

B. Provide the option for PIAA-registered football officials to wear an alternate color pant as part of their uniform. Officials may wear black pants and black socks as long as all members of the crew are dressed alike.

XIV. Accepted the recommendations from the Thursday, March 29, 2012 meeting of the PIAA Wrestling Steering Committee to:

A. Authorize a change in the Optimal Performance Calculator (OPC) to permit all wrestlers eligible to receive a one-or two-pound consecutive day allowance, to have such allowance subtracted from each eligible wrestler's OPC, **effective July 1, 2012.** This will not inhibit a wrestler in their descent plan for consecutive days of wrestling. (i.e., if a one-pound consecutive day allowance is authorized, a wrestler's weight will be recorded as the higher of that wrestler's weigh-in weight, minus one-pound, or that wrestlers minimum wrestling weight [MWW].)

B. Adopt a policy to requiring head wrestling Coaches to enter the proper

information into the OPC and if it is not done by the established timeline **1)** an email

be sent from the PIAA Executive Director, or the Executive Director's designee, to the respective member school's head Coach, Principal, Athletic Director, with a copy to the District Wrestling Chairman; **2)** if it is not complied with, within 48 hours there will be another notification sent from the PIAA Executive Director, or the Executive Director's designee, to the head Coach, Principal, Athletic Director, District Wrestling Chairman, and District Chairman; and **3)** if it is not complied with after receiving the second notification, the head Coach shall be immediately suspended from Coaching in the next Contest, **effective July 1, 2012.**

C. Move the two-pound growth allowance date from January 15th to December 25th, **effective July 1, 2012.**

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2012

XV. Extended the Legislative Counsel Agreement for a two-year period beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2014.

XVI. Received the results of balloting for the following proposed amendment to

the PIAA Constitution, which passed by a 95.96% affirmative vote of the member schools voting:

ARTICLE VI, BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS, Section 2, Membership of the Board of Directors, subsection I, and Section 3, Term of Office, of the PIAA Constitution, to **1)** clarify and modernize Section 2I and **2)** change the term limit for registered sports officials' representatives from one-year to two years, **effective July 1, 2012.**

XVII. Accepted the recommendation of the PIAA Administrative Staff to award

the following the hosting of the 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, and 2015-2016 PIAA Winter Championships:

Competitive Spirit HERSHEY PARK Arena, Hershey, PA

Team Wrestling GIANT Center, Hershey, PA

Wrestling GIANT Center, Hershey, PA

Swimming and Diving Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA

Basketball GIANT Center, Hershey, PA

XVIII. Accepted the recommendation from the Thursday, March 29, 2012 meeting

of the PIAA Basketball Steering Committee to adjust the semi-final round of the PIAA Basketball Championships to provide for ALL semi-final Contests to be played on the Tuesday of the week of the PIAA Basketball Championships (Finals), effective July 1, 2012.

XIX. Rejected the recommendation of the Executive Director to adopt an Interpretation of ARTICLE VI, BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS, Section 2, Membership of the Board of Directors, subsection A, of the PIAA Constitution, to read as follows:

ARTICLE VI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Section 1. Board of Directors.

The administrative and executive body of PIAA shall be known as the Board of Directors. To be eligible to be a member of the Board of Directors, persons must represent a defined constituency with established guidelines for two-way communication with their constituents. The Board of Directors will act as the certifying agent.

Section 2. Membership of the Board of Directors.

A. Each District shall be entitled to one representative for the first fifty member senior high schools or fraction thereof. For each fifty additional member senior high schools or major fraction thereof, an additional representative shall be allowed. These representatives must be members of their respective District Committees and must be employed as a Principal, Athletic Director, and/or faculty member of a PIAA member school or as a school administrator of a public school district which has at least one member in PIAA.

INTERPRETATIONS

Section 2A. May 24, 2012

Consistent with ARTICLE IX, DISTRICT COMMITTEES, Section 2, Officers, of the PIAA Constitution, a District shall have its duly elected Chairman represent that District on the Board of Directors. A District entitled to a second representative shall have its duly elected Vice Chairman represent that District on the Board of Directors. A District entitled to a third representative shall have its duly elected Secretary or Treasurer or Secretary-Treasurer combined represent that District on the Board of Directors.

Section 2A. March 24, 2011

Should a District Committee representative to the Board of Directors, after July 1 of any year, cease to be employed as a Principal, Athletic Director, and/or faculty member of a PIAA member school or as a school administrator of a school district which has at least one PIAA member, that person may, at the discretion of that member's District Committee, be replaced or continue to serve on the Board of Directors until the immediately following June 30.

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XX. Following a third reading, accepted the recommendation of the Executive

Director to amend ARTICLE VI, TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE, AND RECRUITING, Section 3, Ineligible Students, and Section 4, Regional Panel or District Committee Review, subsection C, Review and Rescission of Presumptive Eligibility, of the PIAA By-Laws, to clarify the eligibility of transferring students in sports not played by that student within the past year, effective July 1, 2012, to read as follows:

ARTICLE VI

TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE, AND RECRUITING

Section 3. Ineligible Students.

A student not presumptively eligible under Section 2 of this ARTICLE shall be presumptively ineligible to participate in each sport in which the student participated

within one year immediately preceding the date of the student's Transfer. The student

shall be presumptively eligible in all other sports.

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Section 4. Regional Panel or District Committee Review.

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C. Review and Rescission of Presumptive Eligibility.

Notwithstanding Sections 2 and 3 of this ARTICLE, a Regional Panel or District Committee, within their respective jurisdictions, may, following a student's Transfer, and

upon request of the Principal of a PIAA member school, or on its own initiative, after

giving notice to the student's school and an opportunity to be heard to the student and

the student's school, (1) declare any transferring student ineligible to participate in each

sport in which that student participated within a period of one year immediately preceding the date of Transfer, if the Committee finds that there exists a reasonable

likelihood that the Transfer was materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose

or would otherwise circumvent the purpose of the ARTICLE of deterring Transfers which

are materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose; and/or (2) if a finding is

specifically made that there exists a reasonable likelihood that the Transfer was materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose relating to specific sports,

declare that the student shall be ineligible to participate in those sports for one year

from the date of Transfer, regardless of whether the student actually participated in

those sports for the year preceding the date of Transfer.

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XXI. Accepted the recommendation of the Executive Director to amend, on a

first reading basis, ARTICLE VI, TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE, AND RECRUITING, Section 4, Regional Panel or District Committee Review, subsection 3, Review and Rescission of Presumptive Eligibility, subsection

D, Subsequent Transfer, of the PIAA By-Laws, to provide for a NOTE setting forth the criteria to be followed in Transfer cases in which abuse, bullying, and/or harassment is alleged, to read as follows:

ARTICLE VI

TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE, AND RECRUITING

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Section 4. Regional Panel or District Committee Review.

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C. Review and Rescission of Presumptive Eligibility.

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D. Subsequent Transfer.

A student who Transfers again during the one-year period of ineligibility shall remain ineligible, in the applicable sports, until the conclusion of that year.

E. Transfers which are motivated in some material way by an athletic purpose are those Transfers which would not have occurred but for a desire of the

student or the student's family (1) to gain additional playing time; (2) to play for a particular school, Coach, or Team; (3) to avoid either playing for, or athletic sanctions

imposed by, a particular school, Coach, or Team; and/or (4) to gain increased media or college exposure.

The following is an illustrative, but not exhaustive, list of situations which may indicate athletic purpose:

1. The student, or a parent or guardian, or an adult with whom the student resides, is dissatisfied with the student's position or the amount of playing time which the student receives.
2. The student, or a parent or guardian, or an adult with whom the student resides, has a problem with a Coach or school athletic administration at either a personal or professional level.
3. The student, or a parent or guardian, or an adult with whom the student resides, seeks relief from conflict with the philosophy or action of an administrator or teacher relating to sports.
4. The student, or a parent or guardian, or an adult with whom the student resides, seeks to avoid or nullify the effect of actions or anticipated actions by the previous school relating to sports eligibility.
5. Except as provided for under Section 5 of this ARTICLE, there is no Team in the particular sport at the school from which the student has transferred.

6. The student follows the student's Coach or other student-athletes to another school to which the Coach or athletes have transferred or seeks to play for a particular Coach or with a particular athlete due to a prior relationship with the Coach or athlete (such as through club or AAU participation) or because of the reputation of the Coach.

7. The student, or a parent or guardian, or an adult with whom the student resides, desires that the student play on a less successful, smaller enrollment classification and/or lower profile Team in order to be ranked higher among the students on that Team.

8. The student, or a parent or guardian, or an adult with whom the student resides, desires that the student play on a more successful, larger enrollment classification and/or higher profile Team to gain a higher level of competition and/or more exposure to college scouts.

9. The student moves with one parent, one guardian, or one or more siblings, into a residence in the new public school district, especially where the student and/or the parent, guardian, or sibling returns to the family home in the evening and/or on weekends.

10. The student, or a parent or guardian, or an adult with whom the student resides, seeks out Athletic Personnel and/or student-athletes at the transferee school.

11. The student Transfers in the middle of a marking period and/or immediately before or after a sports season.

12. The student transfers immediately after being cut from a Team in a particular sport.

NOTE: A student who Transfers because of alleged abuse, bullying, and/or harassment by Coaches and/or other members of a sports Team and/or, if related

to the student's participation in interscholastic athletics, by other students, is nevertheless considered to have transferred in some material way for an athletic purpose unless (1) the alleged conduct is corroborated by evidence and/or testimony from persons unrelated to the student and/or the student's family; (2) the student timely sought assistance of appropriate school personnel to address such conduct; (3) the school was unable to effectively address the problem; and (4) the District Committee finds that such conduct produced severe and unusual environmental, social, and/or emotional conditions which, in turn created an atmosphere which would have prevented a reasonable student under similar circumstances from receiving an appropriate education at the school.

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XXII. Accepted the recommendation of the Executive Director to suspend the

Protocol for Approving and Implementing Changes to the PIAA By-Laws, the PIAA Policies and Procedures, and the Rules and Regulations contained in the Rules and Regulations Section of the PIAA Handbook; and amend ARTICLE VIII, PERIOD OF PARTICIPATION, Section 6, Waiver of Sections 1A and/or 1B, subsection D, of the PIAA By-Laws, to make Section 6D, consistent with ARTICLE VII, FOREIGN EXCHANGE

**STUDENTS, INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, AND FOREIGN STUDENTS,
Section 1, Foreign Exchange Student, subsection 2, of the PIAA By-Laws,
effective July 1, 2012, to read as follows:**

ARTICLE VIII

PERIOD OF PARTICIPATION

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Section 6. Waiver of Sections 1A and/or 1B.

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D. The District Committee may waive Section 1A in cases where a student, as part of a program that has been recognized by the US Department of State and has

been accepted for listing by the Council on Standards for International Educational

Travel (CSIET) recognized foreign student program, attended a school in a foreign

country which did not offer an interscholastic athletic program.

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XXIII. Accepted the recommendation of the Executive Director to suspend the

Protocol for Approving and Implementing Changes to the PIAA By-Laws, the PIAA Policies and Procedures, and the Rules and Regulations contained in the Rules and Regulations Section of the PIAA Handbook; and amend ARTICLE VIII, PERIOD OF PARTICIPATION, Section 6, Waiver of Sections 1A and/or 1B, of the PIAA By-Laws, to 1) provide for a waiver for a Student With A Disability to participate at the junior varsity level of competition; and 2) amend the GLOSSARY, of the PIAA By-Laws, to provide for a definition of Junior Varsity and Varsity, both effective July 1, 2012, to read as follows:

ARTICLE VIII

PERIOD OF PARTICIPATION

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Section 6. Waiver of Sections 1A and/or 1B.

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E. Waiver to Participate at the Junior Varsity Level of Competition. The District Committee may grant a limited waiver of Sections 1A and/or 1B to permit a

Student With A Disability to participate at the Junior Varsity level of competition following an individualized assessment of the student's condition in relation to the purposes of this ARTICLE and the potential impact of participation by the student on

opponents and teammates if the District Committee concludes that:

1. the student suffers from a physical, mental, or emotional disability which has been recognized by, and certified to by, a treating physician or psychiatrist;
2. the student has a current Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or a Chapter 15 Service Agreement relating to the certified to disability, at the student's school;
3. the student would likely not, due to the student's physical size, athletic

ability and/or other characteristics, pose an increased risk of harm to opponents;
and
4. the student is otherwise eligible under these By-Laws.

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GLOSSARY

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JUNIOR VARSITY: A non-Varsity level of interscholastic competition in a sport sponsored by a senior high school. This level is to be distinguished from Varsity and junior high/middle school competition.

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VARSITY: The highest level of interscholastic competition in a sport sponsored by a senior high school. This level is to be distinguished from Junior Varsity and junior high/middle school competition.

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XXIV. Accepted the recommendation of the Executive Director to suspend the Protocol for Approving and Implementing Changes to the PIAA By-Laws, the PIAA Policies and Procedures, and the Rules and Regulations contained in the Rules and Regulations Section of the PIAA Handbook; and adopt PIAA Board of Directors' Meeting Protocols, effective July 1, 2012, to read as follows:

PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING PROTOCOLS

Generally, meetings of the PIAA Board of Directors are administered in a fairly informal

manner, with a goal of open and frank discussion on topics of interest to the Board. For

this reason, formal procedural rules are not enforced. The following, however, provides

guidance as to handling of motions brought before the Board.

1. **TABLING A MOTION:** A request to table a motion must be seconded. It is not debatable and requires a majority vote.

2. **REFERRING A MOTION TO COMMITTEE:** A request to send another motion to a PIAA Board of Directors' committee, advisory committee, and/or steering committee for its consideration and review must be seconded, is debatable, and requires a majority vote.

3. **"CALL THE QUESTION":** A motion to stop debate and vote on the underlying motion must be seconded, is not debatable, and requires a 2/3 vote.

4. **RECONSIDERING A MOTION:** A request to reconsider a prior decision at the same meeting must be seconded, is debatable, and requires a majority vote.

5. **VOTES ON MATTERS.**

A. Votes on most matters are presumptively taken by voice. To the extent that a split occurs, the presiding officer may request a

show of hands to obtain an accurate count of yeas and nays.

B. At the discretion of the presiding officer, votes on final approval of proposed amendments to the PIAA Constitution; changes to the PIAA By-Laws, Policies and Procedures, and/or Rules and Regulations; and/or other matters of significance, may be taken by roll call vote.

C. Upon motion of any member of the Board of Directors, and thereupon by majority vote of those present, a motion may be voted on by either roll call or by secret ballot. A request to conduct a vote by roll call or secret ballot is not debatable and is approved upon a majority voting in favor.

6. Matters not covered in this Policy shall be resolved by the presiding officer. To the extent that a Board member disagrees with a decision of the presiding officer, the Board member may move for the Board to proceed in a different manner. Said motion must be seconded, is debatable, and is approved upon majority vote.

XXV. Accepted the recommendation of the Executive Director to suspend the

Protocol for Approving and Implementing Changes to the PIAA By-Laws, the PIAA Policies and Procedures, and the Rules and Regulations contained in the Rules and Regulations Section of the PIAA Handbook; and amend PIAA Board of Directors' Committee, Advisory Committees, and Steering Committees, III, Steering Committees, of the Policies and Procedures Section of the PIAA Handbook, to establish a Competitive Spirit Steering Committee, effective immediately, to read as follows: PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMMITTEES, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, AND STEERING COMMITTEES

The PIAA Board of Directors has established various Board of Directors' Committees;

Advisory Committees, organized by constituency or according to subject matter; and

Steering Committees, organized by constituency or with reference to particular sports in

which PIAA-member schools participate.

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III. Steering Committees

Steering Committees other than those identified with a particular sport are the following:

1. Athletic Directors
4. Officials' Council
2. Girls' Athletics
5. Private Schools
3. Junior High/Middle Schools
6. Sportsmanship

With the exception of the Officials' Council, each PIAA District shall select one member

to serve on each of the foregoing Steering Committees. Where a District Committee

has a member representing one of the above constituencies, that person shall be the

District's representative on that committee.

The Officials' Council shall be composed of the elected representative(s) of the PIAA registered

Contest officials in each District.

With the exception of the Junior High/Middle Schools', Girls' Athletics, Athletic Directors', and Private Schools' Steering Committees, each of these Steering Committees shall meet not less often than annually, at the PIAA Summer Workshop,

and at such other times as may be determined by the Executive Director.

The Junior High/Middle Schools' and the Girls' Athletics Steering Committees shall

meet not less often than each odd-numbered year and the Athletic Directors' and Private Schools' Steering Committee shall meet not less often than each even-numbered

year, at the PIAA Summer Workshop, and at such other times as may be determined by the Executive Director.

The remaining Steering Committees are organized according to sport, and consist of

the following:

7. Baseball 15. Softball
8. Basketball 16. Soccer
9. Competitive Spirit 17. Swimming and Diving
10. Cross Country 18. Tennis
11. Field Hockey 19. Track and Field
12. Football 20. Volleyball
13. Golf 21. Wrestling
14. Lacrosse

The Chairman of each PIAA District shall appoint a member of, or other representative

from, the District Committee to each of the foregoing committees where the particular

sport is participated in by PIAA member schools within the District. The person appointed shall have specialized knowledge as to the sport.

In addition, the PIAA-appointed statewide rules interpreter in that sport and the president or the president's designee of the statewide high school coaches' association

in that sport shall be members of each of the foregoing committees.

Each of these Steering Committees shall meet not less often than annually, following

the applicable sport season (fall, winter, or spring), and at such other times as may be

determined by the Executive Director.

The purpose of these committees is to use their knowledge and expertise in the

particular sport to make recommendations to the PIAA Board of Directors with regard to matters involving that sport.

Minutes of all meetings of all Board of Directors Committees, Advisory Committees and

Steering Committees shall be prepared by the Executive Director, or the Executive

Director's designee, submitted to the PIAA Board of Directors, and retained at the PIAA

Office consistent with the PIAA Policy Regarding Retention of Records.

XXVI. Following a third reading, accepted the recommendation of the Executive

Director to amend the Policy Regarding Standardization of Reporting Procedures and Centralization of Accounting, to provide for a more practical interval for PIAA District Committees to report their operating activities to PIAA, effective July 1, 2012, to read as follows:

POLICY REGARDING STANDARDIZATION OF REPORTING PROCEDURES AND CENTRALIZATION OF ACCOUNTING

All PIAA District Committees shall adopt and implement the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc. (PIAA) Accounting and Procedures Manual and

a modified version of its Chart of Accounts, to provide for the standardization of reporting procedures and centralization of accounting.

All PIAA District Committees shall report their operating activities to PIAA, no less often

than quarterly monthly, to provide for the PIAA Board of Directors to fulfill its fiduciary

responsibilities to the membership.

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XXVII. Accepted the recommendation of the Executive Director to suspend the

Protocol for Approving and Implementing Changes to the PIAA By-Laws, the PIAA Policies and Procedures, and the Rules and Regulations contained in the Rules and Regulations Section of the PIAA Handbook; and adopt a policy regarding Voluntary Increase In Enrollment Classification, effective July 1, 2012, to read as follows:

VOLUNTARY INCREASE IN ENROLLMENT CLASSIFICATION

Any member school, in any sport that it sponsors, may voluntarily participate in a higher

enrollment classification than would otherwise be appropriate based upon its enrollment. Once the PIAA-established deadline for voluntarily participating in a higher

enrollment classification has passed, requests by member schools, which are supported

by the respective District Committees having jurisdiction over the member schools, to

participate in a higher enrollment classification shall not alter the number of entries (qualifiers) for any PIAA District.

XXVIII. Accepted the recommendation of the Executive Director to adopt, on a first reading basis, a policy regarding Correction of Enrollment Report Errors to read as follows:

CORRECTION OF ENROLLMENT REPORT ERRORS

PIAA relies upon the accuracy of Enrollment Reports submitted by member schools pursuant to ARTICLE IV, DUES AND ENROLLMENT, Section 1, Annual Dues and Enrollment Report, of the PIAA Constitution, to establish enrollment classifications and entries (qualifiers) for each District in each sport in which the PIAA Board of Directors has established Inter-District Championships. It is, therefore, important, that member schools take great care in submitting accurate Enrollment Reports. PIAA also recognizes, however, that inadvertent errors can occur and the organization does not seek to punish member schools where errors can be timely corrected and have minimal impact on the administration of sports. Any member school which, through excusable error, submits an erroneous Enrollment Report may request that a corrected Enrollment Report be accepted. Such request may be granted by the Board of Directors if the following criteria are met:

1. The Board of Directors is persuaded that the error was inadvertent and unintentional;
2. The error was caught in a timely manner and will not affect the enrollment classifications or number of entries (qualifiers) for any PIAA District;
3. There is no history of such errors being committed by the member school; and
4. The District Committee having jurisdiction over the member school supports the correction of the error.

XXIX. Accepted the recommendation of the Executive Director to suspend the Protocol for Approving and Implementing Changes to the PIAA By-Laws, the PIAA Policies and Procedures, and the Rules and Regulations contained in the Rules and Regulations Section of the PIAA Handbook; and amend the GLOSSARY, of the PIAA By-Laws, to modernize the definition of Team to include a competitive spirit squad, effective July 1, 2012, to read as follows:

GLOSSARY

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TEAM: A school-sponsored organization which (1) consists of one or more students eligible under these By-Laws to represent that school in Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests; and (2) participates in Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests under PIAA jurisdiction. This is inclusive of a competitive spirit squad.

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XXX. Following a third reading, accepted the recommendations of the PIAA Budget Committee to:

A. Adopt the PIAA Operating Activities Budget for the year ending June 30, 2013.

B. Adopt the PIAA Cash Flows Budget for the year ending June 30, 2013.

XXXI. Tabled to the Thursday, July 26 and Friday, July 27, 2012 meeting of the

PIAA Board of Directors, the adoption of the revised PIAA Headquarters' Employee Handbook.

XXXII. Tabled to the Thursday, July 26 and Friday, July 27, 2012 meeting of the PIAA

Board of Directors, the recommendation of the PIAA Administrative Staff to approve the:

A. Proposed number of entries (qualifiers), by District or by Region, to the 2012 and 2013 PIAA Fall Championships; and the proposed brackets (pairings) for the 2012 and 2013 PIAA Girls' Team and Singles and Doubles Tennis, Girls' Volleyball, Field Hockey, Girls' and Boys' Soccer, and Football Championships.

B. Proposed number of entries (qualifiers), by District or by Region, to the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 PIAA Winter Championships; and the proposed brackets (pairings) for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 PIAA Team Wrestling and Girls' and Boys' Basketball Championships.

C. Proposed number of entries (qualifiers), by District or Region, to the 2013 and 2014 PIAA Spring Championships; and the proposed brackets (pairings) for the 2013 and 2014 PIAA Boys' Team and Singles and Doubles Tennis, Boys' Volleyball, Girls' and Boys' Lacrosse, Baseball, and Softball Championships.

XXXIII. Tabled to the Thursday, July 26 and Friday, July 27, 2012 meeting of the

PIAA Board of Directors, the PSADA Delegate Assembly recommendations to:

A. Establish additional parameters in the girls' sport of competitive spirit, i.e. defined season and maximum number of competitions.

B. Disallow non-Pennsylvania residents from competing in PIAA Contests, with the exception of District Committee approved foreign exchange students.

XXXIV. Unanimously voted to elect Mr. James T. Zack, to be President of PIAA;

Mr. Francis M. Majikes to be Vice President of PIAA; and Mr. James B. Manners, to be Treasurer of PIAA, for the term beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013.

NEXT PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING: 7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, JULY 26

AND 8:00 A.M., FRIDAY, JULY 27 2012, BOARD ROOM, PIAA OFFICE, MECHANICSBURG, PA.

10. Adjournment