PIAA DISTRICT FIVE

PENNSYLVANIA INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Clara's Place, Best Western, Bedford

1. Virgil Palumbo, Windber - Chairman

April 3. 2013

PIAA District 5 Committee Members Present

12. John Wiltrout, Meyersdale - Football

- Ralph DeMarco, Windber Vice Chair, Bball.
 Brown Cutchall, Fbs. Road Jr. High. Girls Bb.
 Larry Palmer, Retired Treasurer, Advisor
 Richard Fisher, Retired Secretary, Advisor
 Todd Beatty, McConnellsburg Softball
 George Knisely, Chestnut Ridge Baseball
 Audrey Hall, Retired Female Officials Rep.
 Anita Gibbons, Somerset Co. Female Parent
- 8. Jerry Shoemake, Tussey Mt. Cross Co. 19. Tom Foor, Bedford Co. Male Parent Rep. 9. Dave Koba, Conemaugh Twp. Boys Soccer 20. Paul Leonard, Shade Twp. Girls Soccer, A.D.
- 10. Dawn Maluchnick, North Star Girls Vball. 21. Jor Renzi, Retired Advisor
- 11. Kendra Trail, I.U. 11 Superintendent Rep. 22. Terry Diehl, Retired Male Offficial's Rep. Guests Rod Brumbaugh Tussey Mt., Brian Koontz- Everett, Mark Clevenger, Rich Emerick-C.R.
- 10:00A.M. Chairman Virgil Palumbo opened the meeting of District Schools Principals and Athletic Directors. He then introduced PIAA Executive Director Dr. Bob Lombardi.
 - 1. Dr. Lombardi introduced PIAA Staff Member Pat Gephart, who spoke briefly.
 - 2. Dr. Lombardi went over new policies, by-laws, and changes in the PIAA.
 - 3. A PIAA by-law vote was taken by the school representatives.
 - Mr. Palumbo commented on the many successes of district 5 athletes and teams during the past school year and the beginning of this school year. We are making a big impression in Pennsylvania high school athletics.

The District 5 Athletic Directors Association presented \$1,000.00 scholarships to four district athletes. Each athlete read their winning essay. The 2012-2013 winners are:

- 1. Blaire Lauthers Fannett Metal High School
- 2. Samantha Emert Rockwood Area High School
- 3. Brock Medva Shade High School
- 4. Jacob Ashkettle Southern Fulton High School

The group enjoyed a delicious lunch at Clara's Place Restaurant at !1:30.

- 1. The committee meeting was called to order at 12:50 by Chairman Virgil Palumbo.
- 2. Approval of January 16, 2013, Secretary's minutes. Motion-Maluchnick, Knisely.
- 3. Approval of Treasurer's report and payment of bills. Motion-Cronrath, Hall.
 - a. Reconciliation of checking account. Motion-Hall, Koba.
 - b. Volleyball reimbursment of \$134.25 received from District 9.
 - c. AA Basketball reimbursment of \$182.50 paid to District 8.
- 4. Election of Officers for 2013-2014 conducted by Joe Renzi.
 - a. Chairman Virgil Palumbo nominated by Hall, Cronrath. Motion to close- Diehl, Cutchall.
 - b. Vice-Chairman Paul Leonard nominated by Maluchnick, Seth. Jeff Batzel nominated by Kane, Diehl. Closed by Cronrath, Shoemake. Paul Leonard elected by a 11-7 vote.
 - c. Secretary -Dick Fisher nominated by Diehl, Hall. Motion to close Cronrath, Maluchnick.
 - d. Treasurer Larry Palmer nominated by Cronrath, Trail. Motion to close Hall, Beatty.

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5. Correspondence To:

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- a. Information to member schools concerning spring meeting.
- b. District 5 A.D's presentation of scholarship winners.
- c. Action Awards All spring awards are in and ready for sport chairmen.
- d. Audrey Hall and Terry Diehl met and recommended basketball and wrestling officials.

6. Correspondence From:

- a. District 8 2014 AA Boys Basketball? Will be in District 5, at Somerset or Bedford. They come into our tournament.
- b. Michael Price will be PIAA District 5 Football Rules Interpreter, replacing Gary Singel.
- c. Tussey Mt. Boys Basketball Report. The Junior Varsity coach was ejected in a game at Huntingdon and served a one game suspension. A Tussey varsity player was ejected during the J.V. game, but he was wrongfully ejected because he was trying to pull a player away from a fracas. The PIAA said forget it. Motion to accept the report from Tussey Mt.- Leonard, Cronrath.
- d. Shanksville Girls Basketball. Had one game overscheduled. Was able to drop a District 6 school. Hurt neither school.

7. New Business:

- a. We may need a football officiating crew for AAA playoffs in 2014.
- b. Northern Bedford Football 10th playing date. They will play Clearfield, Bradford, or Punxytawney.
- c. Foreign Exchange Student . Motion to approve- Hall, Shoemake.
 - (1.) Darla Zocco Italy Somerset.
- d. Transfer Students. Motion to approve- Shoemake, Cronrath.
 - (1.) Alejandra Conzalez to Somerset from Costa Rica.
 - (2.) Colton Minnick to Hope For Hyndman from Maryland.
 - (3.) Kris Knotts to Conemaugh Twp. from Forest Hills.
 - (4.) Jordan Fockler to Conemaugh Twp. from Bishop McCort.
 - (5.) Andrew Smith to Bedford from Hope For Hyndman.
- e. If all individual sport packets are in for 2013-2014 and handbook changes are set, we may not need a June meeting.
- f. The committee will pay PIAA School Dues for 2013-2014. Motion- Batzel, Leonard.
- g. Approval of Boys Tennis Coop between Conemaugh Twp. and Westmont Hilltop to be effective immediately. Westmont to host. Motion- Koba, Hall.

8. Discussion Items:

- a. Brian Koontz, Everett A.D. Expressed weather concerns about spring sports and the completion of schedules. The committee will look at the situation at the May 8 meeting.
- b. Somerset County Principal's and Fulton County Superintendent appointments for 2013-2014 will be named at May 8 meeting. The Superintendent nomination will be Mark Loucks of Forbes Road.
- c. The golf site for October 1st or 2nd is still to be determined.
- d. Hope For Hyndman Wrestling and Basketball Schedules in Rankings. In wrestling, a school can be counted twice if wrestled twice. Basketball must play 14 state member schools. We need basketball rule wording for the May meeting.
- e. Paul Leonard needs 2013-2014 District 5 Playoff dates for the website. He is working on them for the handbook.

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- f. LRG Prep Building and Retail Marketing. -Schools, if a retailer is selling your school logo merchandise, you get a cut if you want it.
- g. The New Heat Acclimation Period in the sport of football for 2013. It will be detailed in the district website.
- h. 2014 District 5 Cheerleading Championships.
 - (1.) Chestnut Ridge will host on January 16, 2014.
 - (2.) The state will increase from 96 to 120 teams and be held at the Giant Center in Hershey. They also are working are possible changes in classifications or in squad sizes.
 - (3.) The PIAA Spirit Cheer Championships will go to two days, January 24 and 25.
 - (4.) There may be a District Mascot and Spirit Award.
- 9. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45. The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 8, at Best Western in Bedford. The meeting starts at 9:30A.M. Breakfast is available for committee members at 8:30A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard W. Fisher, PIAA District 5 Secretary

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