At 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 2, 2013, James T. Zack, President, called the PIAA Board of Directors to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Michael A. Barber, Kennett Square ............................................................. District 1
Dr. Randy A. Ireson, Concordville ..................................................................... District 1
Francis M. Majikes, Wilkes-Barre ................................................................. District 2
Ronald H. Kennedy, Mount Joy ....................................................................... District 3
Douglas M. Bohannon, Myerstown................................................................. District 3
James T. Zack, Coal Township ....................................................................... District 4
Virgil R. Palumbo, Windber ........................................................................... District 5
Dean M. Rossi, Hollidaysburg ......................................................................... District 5
John B. Fullen, Sr., Beaver Falls ..................................................................... District 6
Scott D. Heinauer, Mars .............................................................................. District 7
Scott M. Seltzer, Pittsburgh ......................................................................... District 7
Michael A. Gavlik, Pittsburgh ....................................................................... District 8
James B. Manners, Brockway ....................................................................... District 9
Walter J. Blucas, Girard .............................................................................. District 10
Robert F. Hartman, Jr., Whitehall .................................................................. District 11
Robert B. Coleman, Philadelphia ................................................................... District 12
Michael W. Hawkins, Philadelphia................................................................. District 12
David F. Bitting, Hummelstown
  Representing ........................................................................ Member Junior High/Middle Schools
John J. Tommasini, Harrisburg
  Representing ........................................................................ Department of Education
Nathan G. Mains, Mechanicsburg
  Representing ..................................................................................... PSBA
Julie K. Swartfager, Franklin
  Representing ..................................................................................... PSBA
Dr. Emilie M. Lonardi, York
  Representing ..................................................................................... PASA
Dr. David A. Crumrine, Martinsburg
  Representing ..................................................................................... PASSP
Gerald B. Schwille, Dillsburg
  Representing ..................................................................................... PSADA
Ronald J. Kanaskie, Riverside
  Representing ..................................................................................... PCA
MEMBERS PRESENT (Continued)

Elisabeth M. Wilson, Emmaus
Representing ...................................................................................... Female Officials
Beth L. Schulze, Athens
Representing ........................................................................................ Girl s’ Athletics
Dr. Peter P. Iacino, Hermitage
Representing ...................................................................................... Member Private Schools
Marylou Billings, Girard
Representing ...................................................................................... Female Parents
Robert J. Taylor, Oil City
Representing ........................................................................................ Male Parents

MEMBER ABSENT

Terry M. Diehl, Bedford
Representing ........................................................................................ Male Officials

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Robert A. Lombardi, Executive Director .............................................................. PIAA
Mark E. Byers, Chief Operating Officer ..................................................................... PIAA
Melissa N. Mertz, Associate Executive Director ........................................................ PIAA
Patrick B. Gebhart, Assistant Executive Director ...................................................... PIAA
Gregory G. Biller, Director of Business Affairs .......................................................... PIAA
Michael L. Solomon, Esq., Director of Legal Affairs ................................................. PIAA

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS

John P. Milliron, Esq. ...................................................................................... PIAA Legislative Counsel

GUESTS PRESENT

Robert M. Ruoff, Executive Secretary ...................................................................... District 1
Rodney Frisco, Webmaster ..................................................................................... District 3
Sean P. McAleer, Director of Education ............................................................. Pennsylvania Catholic Conference
George B. Shue, Associate Executive Director ........................................................ PSFCA

INTRODUCTION OF RECENTLY ELECTED MEMBERS OF AND ALTERNATE VOTING REPRESENTATIVES TO THE PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President Zack introduced the following as recently elected members of the PIAA Board of Directors:

- Nathan G. Mains, PSBA Executive Director

President Zack introduced the following Alternate Voting Representatives:

- Scott D. Heinauer for Dr. Bart Rocco, PIAA District VII Vice Chairman
- Marylou Billings for Gayle L. Huffman, Female Parents’ Representative
CERTIFICATION OF RECENTLY ELECTED MEMBERS OF PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Pursuant to ARTICLE VI, BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS, Section 1, Board of Directors, of the PIAA Constitution, on a motion by Mr. Tommasini, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to certify the recently elected member of the 2013-2014 PIAA Board of Directors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Seltzer, it was unanimously voted to approve the Minutes, of the Wednesday, July 24, 2013 meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors, as presented by the Executive Director.

WITHDRAWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

On a motion by Dr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Rossi, it was unanimously voted to grant the request of the following school to withdraw from membership in PIAA, effective July 1, 2013:

- District I - Renaissance Academy Middle School

APPROVAL OF MEMBER SCHOOLS APPLICATION

On a motion by Mr. Manners, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to accept into membership the following schools, effective July 1, 2013:

- District IX - Saints Cosmas & Damian Junior High Schools

REQUEST OF SCHOOLS FOR TERMINATION OF COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP OF A SPORT, EFFECTIVE THE BEGINNING OF THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

On a motion by Mr. Majikes, seconded by Mr. Taylor, it was unanimously voted to approve the following request to terminate cooperative sponsorship of a sport, effective the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year.

- District VI - Cambria Heights and Harmony Area High Schools – boys’ and girls’ cross country, boys’ soccer, and girls’ volleyball

- District X - Commodore Perry and Greenville High Schools – football

REQUEST OF SCHOOLS FOR APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP OF A SPORT, EFFECTIVE THE BEGINNING OF THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

On a motion by Mr. Seltzer, seconded by Mr. Gavlik, it was unanimously voted to approve the following requests for cooperative sponsorship of a sport, effective the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year:
District III - Dayspring Christian Academy and Lancaster Country Day School – baseball, conditioned upon District III Committee approval

Antietam Middle School and Exeter Township Junior High School – girls’ soccer

Districts IV - Canton Area and Troy High Schools – girls’ soccer

District VI - Bucktail and Central Mountain High Schools – wrestling, conditioned upon District VI Committee approval

District IX - Clarion and Immaculate Conception Junior High Schools – boys’ and girls’ basketball

District X - Commodore Perry and Greenville High Schools – boys’ golf and boys’ and girls’ tennis

Eisenhower and Youngsville High Schools – boys’ and girls’ soccer

Warren County Christian and Youngsville High Schools – baseball and football

Fairview and McDowell High Schools – wrestling

District XII - High School of the Future and Paul Robeson High School – baseball, competitive spirit, football, boys’ and girls’ soccer, softball, and boys’ and girls’ volleyball

REQUEST OF SCHOOLS FOR TERMINATION OF COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP OF A SPORT, EFFECTIVE THE BEGINNING OF THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR

On a motion by Mr. Gavlik, seconded by Mr. Fullen, it was unanimously voted to approve the following request to terminate cooperative sponsorship of a sport, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

District VIII - Obama Academy, Pennsylvania Science and Technology Academy, and University Prep Margaret Millones – baseball, boys’ and girls’ basketball, boys’ and girls’ cross country, boys’ golf, softball, boys’ and girls’ tennis, boys’ and girls’ track and field, and wrestling, conditioned upon PIAA District VIII Committee approval

REQUEST OF SCHOOLS FOR APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP OF A SPORT, EFFECTIVE THE BEGINNING OF THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR

On a motion by Mr. Seltzer, seconded by Mr. Gavlik, it was unanimously voted to approve the following requests for cooperative sponsorship of a sport, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year:
District V - Forbes Road and Southern Fulton – field hockey, conditioned upon District V Committee approval

District IX - Johnsonburg Area and Ridgway Area High Schools – baseball, conditioned upon District IX Committee approval

On a motion by Mr. Gavlik, seconded by Mr. Fullen, it was unanimously voted to approve the following requests for cooperative sponsorship of a sport, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year:

District VIII - Obama Academy and Pennsylvania Science and Technology Academy – baseball, boys' and girls' basketball, boys' and girls' cross country, boys' golf, softball, boys' and girls' tennis, boys' and girls' track and field, and wrestling, conditioned upon District VIII Committee approval

MARKET STREET SPORTS GROUP (MSSG) PRESENTATION

MSSG made an annual report and presentation to the PIAA Board of Directors on recent sponsorships for PIAA events.

PLAYON SPORTS, NFHS NETWORK PRESENTATION

The PIAA Board of Directors received information from Playon Sports, provider of NFHS Network, and the school broadcasting program and reviewed a PowerPoint Presentation, which is set forth in Attachment 1.

DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS AFFAIRS’ REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Director of Business Affairs’ gave a status report on:

1) the handout on the number of school regarded to be delinquent, as a result of dues not being paid on or before September 30, 2013;
2) Boyer & Ritter, PC’s recent request for PIAA Districts to use the same payroll provider as the headquarters;
3) the unaudited financial statements for the months ended July 31 and August 31, 2013; and;
4) merchandise sales from the 7th Annual PIAA Foundation Cross Country event.

On a motion by Mr. Kanaskie, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to accept the compilation of the PIAA Foundation financial statements and a draft of the audited PIAA (Headquarters Only) financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2013, as prepared by Boyer and Ritter, P.C., Certified Public Accountants, and presented by the Director of Business Affairs, as set forth in Attachment 2.

On a motion by Dr. Ireson, seconded by Mr. Palumbo, it was unanimously voted to accept the Budgetary Transfers for the fiscal year ending, June 30, 2014, as presented by the Director of Business Affairs for building repairs and maintenance.
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORTS

The Assistant Executive Director gave a status report on:

1) the deadline for receipt of recommendation to officiate 2013 PIAA Fall Championships in the sports of cross country, girls’ volleyball, field hockey, soccer, and football;

2) the start of the 2013-14 PIAA Winter Sports Rules Interpretation Meetings; and

3) the election for PIAA-Registered Officials’ Representatives to odd-numbered PIAA District Committees, in which the ballots will be sent via electronic transmission where possible;

4) the 19th Annual PIAA Officials’ Convention and the 25/35 Years of Service Banquet.

INTRODUCTION OF WENDY A. MERLINA,
PIAA OFFICIALS’ CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Introduction of Wendy A. Merlina, PIAA Officials’ Corresponding Secretary, whose first day of employment was Monday, September 30, 2013.

ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATION

The Associate Executive Director gave a status report on:

1) her presentation at the 95th National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Annual Summer Meeting; and

2) the timeline of school classifications and enrollments submission, correction of database information, and availability of updated school classifications.

On a motion by Mr. Seltzer, seconded by Mr. Coleman, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Associate 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 approve the 2014 Number of Entries (Qualifiers), By District or Region, based upon 120 qualifiers to the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships, as set forth in Attachment 3.

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER’S REPORTS

The Chief Operating Officer gave a status report on:

1) the recently completed seventh annual PIAA Foundation Cross Country Invitational, which was held on Saturday, September 21, 2013, on the Parkview Cross Country Course, Hershey, PA; and

2) the upcoming ball Request for Proposal (RFP) Process.
PIAA COACHES’ ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND PENNSYLVANIA COACHES’ ASSOCIATION (PCA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

On a motion by Mr. Kanaskie, seconded by Dr. Lonardi, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Coaches’ Advisory Committee and the Pennsylvania Coaches’ Association (PCA), on a second reading basis, to amend ARTICLE XIV COACHES, of the PIAA By-Laws, to support a PIAA/PSADA initiative to implement coaching education and require all coaches to complete the NFHS Core Courses, or equivalent courses, effective July 1, 2016, as follows:

ARTICLE XIV
COACHES

Section 1. Who may Coach.
A. A Coach is a person (including volunteer high school alumni, professional athletes, and citizens of the community) engaged, either for an entire season or any part thereof, by a school to provide Coaching to a Team. PIAA does not impose any requirements or limitations on the retention or hiring of paid or volunteer Coaches in either public or Private Schools.
B. Neither the Public School Code nor the Regulations of the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) currently place restrictions on the hiring or qualification of persons employed as Coaches in public schools. Upon satisfactory compliance with applicable laws relating to completion of required background checks, schools may engage as Coaches any persons who meet their local criteria.
C. To encourage the hiring of individuals who have knowledge of the skills needed to Coach interscholastic sports, all coaches engaged by a PIAA member school, are required to successfully complete the National Federation of State High School Association (NFHS) Core Courses, or American Sport Education Program (ASEP) comparable courses, or course equivalents, effective July 1, 2016. All coaches must complete this requirement within two-years of the effective date. All newly engaged coaches must complete this requirement within two-years of their date of engagement.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive Director gave a status report on:

1) PIAA’s 100th Year Anniversary and Celebration Committee meeting of Thursday, August 29, 2013, as set forth in Attachment 4;

2) the 2013 NFHS Section 2 held in Washington, D.C., and the 2014 NFHS Section 2 Meeting which PIAA is scheduled to host on September 22, 23, and 24, 2014 in Gettysburg, PA; and
3) on his attendance at the Pennsylvania School Study Council (PSSC) meeting, which was held at Penn State University on Thursday, September 26, 2013.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PIAA BY-LAWS

On a motion by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Dr. Ireson, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA 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 updated ARTICLE III, ATTENDANCE, Section 2d and e, to provide for consistency of dates with Section 3, Modification or Termination of Agreements for Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport Agreements, to read as follows:

ARTICLE III
ATTENDANCE

2. Requests to Approve Agreements:
   (d) Requests for approval of Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport agreements, which would affect the classification size of a Team, must be submitted on or before September 15th November 1st of any odd-numbered year to the applicable PIAA District Committee for its recommendation to the PIAA Board of Directors for that proposed agreement to be considered for approval for the immediately following two-year reclassification cycle.
   (e) Requests for approval of Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport agreements, which would affect the classification size of a Team, must be submitted by the applicable PIAA District Committee to the PIAA Board of Directors by October 1st December 1st of any odd-numbered year to be considered for approval for the immediately following two-year reclassification cycle.

PIAA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

On a motion by Mr. Fullen, seconded by Mr. Rossi, it was moved to reaffirm the recently passed Policy of Banners, Signs, Noisemakers, Listening Devices, and Spectator Decorum.

Motion passed: 16-yes, 13-no.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:25 p.m. President Zack called an Executive Session of the PIAA Board of Directors to discuss legal and personnel matters. The Board of Directors then went into Executive Session, where legal and personnel matters were discussed.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

At 6:00 p.m. President Zack returned the meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors to Regular Session.
MIXED GENDER PARTICIPATION

Discussion was held on mixed gender participation and Judge Brobson’s ruling on the Packel decision of 1975. The issue was referred to the PIAA Long Range Planning Committee and District Committees to discuss potential language for Board of Directors to consider at its upcoming December meeting.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL PUBLIC REPORT

John P. Milliron, Esq., of Milliron Associates reported on various legislative issues including House of Representatives Resolution No. 416; Act. 1464; Act 126; and Aiden’s Law (AED mandate at sporting events) from Legislative Counsel.

ADJOURNMENT

President Zack adjourned the meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 2, 2013.

NEXT PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING: 3:00 P.M., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12 AND 8:00 A.M., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2013 (IF NEEDED) COCOA SUITES 2 AND 3, HERSHEY LODGE AND CONVENTION CENTER, HERSHEY, PA.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Robert A. Lombardi
Executive Director