At 7:20 p.m., Thursday, March 19, 2009, President W. Rodney Stone called the PIAA Board of Directors to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT

W. Rodney Stone, Warrington .................................................. District 1
Dr. Randy A. Ireson, Concordville ........................................... District 1
Francis M. Majikes, Wilkes-Barre ........................................... District 2
John W. Ziegler, Newport ....................................................... District 3
Samuel S. Elias, Hershey ......................................................... District 3
Joseph T. Kelly, Bloomsburg .................................................. District 4
Dr. Joseph K. Kimmel, New Paris .......................................... District 5
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Dennis F. Nemes, New Tripoli
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Thomas R. Wagner, Karns City
  Representing ................................................ PSADA
Ronald J. Kanaskie, Riverside
  Representing ................................................ PCA
MEMBERS PRESENT (CONTINUED)

Frances V. Pierce, Norristown
Representing ................................................................. Female Officials
Larry J. Frisina, Corry
Representing ................................................................. Male Officials
Linda G. Messich, Bobtown
Representing ................................................................. Girls’ Athletics
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ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Bradley R. Cashman, Executive Director ................................................................. PIAA
Dr. Robert A. Lombardi, Associate Executive Director ........................................ PIAA
Melissa N. Mertz, Assistant Executive Director .................................................... PIAA
Mark E. Byers, Assistant Executive Director ......................................................... PIAA
Gregory G. Biller, Director of Business Affairs ..................................................... PIAA
Michael L. Solomon, Esq., Director of Legal Affairs ............................................ PIAA

MEMBERS ABSENT

Thomas J. Gentzel, Mechanicsburg ................................................................. PSBA

GUESTS PRESENT

Alan R. Boynton, Jr., Esq. ................................................................. PIAA Legal Counsel
Robert M. Ruoff, Executive Secretary ................................................................. PIAA District I
Charles H. Carr, Executive Secretary ................................................................. PIAA District IV
Timothy M. O’Malley, Executive Director ......................................................... PIAA District VII/WPIAL
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Rodney L. Frisco, Sports Writer ................................................................. Harrisburg Patriot-News
Al Woodall, National Association Director ................................................ MAXPREPS
INTRODUCTION OF ALTERNATE VOTING REPRESENTATIVE
TO THE PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President Stone introduced Dr. Joseph K. Kimmel, Alternate Voting Representative for Mr. Virgil R. Palumbo, PIAA District V Chairman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Majikes, seconded by Mr. Cleary, it was unanimously voted to approve the Minutes of the Thursday, December 11 and Friday, December 12, 2008 and Thursday, January 29 and Friday, January 30, 2009 meetings of the PIAA Board of Directors, as presented by the Executive Director.

PIAA DISTRICT VII/WPIAL COMMITTEE REQUEST FOR CONDITIONAL APPROVAL OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIPS IN THE SPORT OF FOOTBALL

On a motion by Mr. Fullen, seconded by Mr. Wotkowski, it was unanimously voted to approve the request of the PIAA District VII/WPIAL Committee for conditional approval of associate membership in the WPIAL, only in the sport of football, for Altoona Area and Hollidaysburg Area High Schools, two member senior high schools generally under the jurisdiction of the PIAA District VI Committee, effective July 1, 2010.

On a motion by Mr. Fullen, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was voted to approve the request of the PIAA District VII/WPIAL Committee for conditional approval of associate membership in the WPIAL, only in the sport of football, for McDowell High School, a member senior high school generally under the jurisdiction of the PIAA District X Committee, effective July 1, 2010.

Motion passed: 25-yes, 0-no, 1-abstention. PIAA District X Chairman abstained from voting as the PIAA District X Committee has not considered the request.

REQUEST OF JOHNSTOWN CHRISTIAN AND SHADE HIGH SCHOOLS FOR APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP OF A SPORT

On a motion by Dr. Kimmel, seconded by Mr. Tommasini, it was unanimously voted to approve the request of Johnstown Christian and Shade High Schools for Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport in boys' and girls' track and field, effective the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year.

REQUEST OF AVELLA AREA AND BURGETTSTOWN AREA HIGH SCHOOLS FOR APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP OF A SPORT

On a motion by Mr. Constantine, seconded by Mr. Vallina, it was unanimously voted to approve the request of Avella Area and Burgettstown Area High Schools for Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport in girls' tennis, effective the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year.
REQUEST OF RIVERVIEW AND SPRINGDALE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS
FOR APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP OF A SPORT

On a motion by Mr. Constantine, seconded by Mr. Fullen, it was unanimously voted to approve the request of Riverview and Springdale Junior High Schools for Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport in wrestling, effective the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year.

DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS AFFAIRS' REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

On a motion by Mr. Nemes, seconded by Mr. Tonkin, it was unanimously voted to accept the unaudited financial statements for the 2008 PIAA Golf, Girls’ Team and Singles and Doubles Tennis, Cross Country, Girls’ Volleyball, Field Hockey, Soccer, and Football Championships, as presented by the Director of Business Affairs.

On a motion by Mr. Nemes, seconded by Mr. Tonkin, it was unanimously voted to accept the unaudited financial statements for the months ended December 31, 2008 and January 31, 2009, respectively, as presented by the Director of Business Affairs.

SECOND ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

The Second Assistant Executive Director gave a status report on (1) the recently completed 2008-2009 PIAA Team Wrestling Championships, which were held on a regional basis on Tuesday, February 3, 2009; and on Friday, February 6 and Saturday, February 7, 2009, at the GIANT Center, Hershey, PA; (2) the Pennsylvania Department of Health/PIAA Tobacco Free Initiative; and (3) the 2009 NFHS Section 2 National High School Spirit of Sport Award Recipient, the Berwick Area High School varsity baseball Team.

PIAA COACHES’ ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND PENNSYLVANIA COACHES’ ASSOCIATION (PCA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Kanaskie moved, and Mr. Nemes seconded a motion, to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Coaches’ Advisory Committee and Pennsylvania Coaches’ Association (PCA) Board of Directors to amend, on a second reading basis, ARTICLE XIV, COACHES, of the PIAA By-Laws, to require all newly hired coaches and all volunteer coaches of PIAA member schools to successfully complete the National Federation of State High School Association (NFHS) Coaches Education Program, or a similar PIAA-accepted certification program, effective July 1, 2012.

Motion failed: 10-yes, 16-no.

On a motion by Mr. Kanaskie, seconded by Mr. Kelly, it was voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Coaches’ Advisory Committee and Pennsylvania Coaches’ Association (PCA) Board of Directors to amend, on a second reading basis, ARTICLE XVI, SEASON AND OUT-OF-SEASON RULES AND REGULATIONS, Table I
Schedule of Fall Sports and Table II – Schedule of Winter Sports, of the PIAA By-Laws, to provide for an exemption from the maximum number of Regular Season Contests for regional qualifying and state championship Contests in the fall sport of water polo and in the winter sports of rifle, indoor track, girls' gymnastics, and bowling, which are sports under the jurisdiction of PIAA, but for which PIAA does not sponsor District and/or Inter-District Championships in those sports, effective July 1, 2010.

Motion passed: 24-yes, 3-no.

PIAA SOCCER STEERING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

On a motion by Mr. Majikes, seconded by Mr. Manners, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Soccer Steering Committee to move, on a second reading basis, the first round play date of the girls’ spring soccer Inter-District championships from Tuesday, May 26, 2009 to Wednesday, May 27, 2009.

FIRST ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

The First Assistant Executive Director gave a status report on (1) the recently completed 2008-2009 PIAA Swimming and Diving Championships, which were held on Wednesday, March 11; Thursday, March 12; Friday, March 13; and Saturday, March 14, 2009, at Kinney Natatorium, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA; and (2) the 2009 NFHS National Student Leadership Conference, which is scheduled to convene with the Opening General Session on Thursday, July 16, 2009 and adjourn with the Closing General Session on Sunday, July 19, 2009, at the Indianapolis Hilton, Indianapolis, IN.

PIAA FIELD HOCKEY STEERING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

On a motion by Mr. Wotkowski, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Field Hockey Steering Committee to amend, on a second reading basis, NFHS Field Hockey Rule 4-2-2g NOTE, which currently provides for a running clock after goals, at all levels (varsity, junior varsity, or otherwise) to read as follows: “when one team gains a 5-goal differential over its opponent,” effective July 1, 2009.

ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

The Associate Executive Director gave a status report on (1) the recently completed 2008-2009 PIAA Wrestling Championships, which were held on a regional basis on Friday, February 27 and Saturday, February 28, 2009, and on Thursday, March 5; Friday, March 6; and Saturday, March 7, 2009, at the GIANT Center, Hershey, PA; (2) the Students of Today Are Referees of Tomorrow (START) initiative; and (3) the number of coaches and contestants ejected from 2008-2009 Regular Season and Postseason Contests by state high school association recognized and/or registered officials for unsportsmanlike conduct or flagrant misconduct in the sports of basketball and wrestling.
On a motion by Mr. Wotkowski, seconded by Mr. Wabby, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Associate Executive Director to modify, effective immediately, USLacrosse Official Rules for Girls’ & Women’s Lacrosse, Rule 4, Time Factors and Scoring, Overtime Procedures, Section 7, when the score is tied at the end of regular playing time during Regular Season Contests, the winner will be decided on a “sudden victory” stop-clock overtime of no more than six minutes in length with the teams changing ends after 3 minutes. The game will be restarted by a center draw. The Team scoring the first goal wins the game. If the six-minute “sudden victory” stop-clock overtime expires without a goal, the game remains a tie.

PIAA CROSS COUNTRY STEERING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Mr. Tommasini moved, and Mr. Kanaskie seconded a motion, on a second reading basis, to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Cross Country Steering Committee to require at least one PIAA-registered track and field/cross country official to serve as the meet referee/starter at every Regular Season Contest in the sport of cross country, effective July 1, 2009.

Motion failed: 11-yes, 16-no.

PIAA GOLF STEERING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

On a motion by Mr. Kanaskie, seconded by Mr. Manners, it was voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Golf Steering Committee to amend, on a second reading basis, ARTICLE XVI, SEASON AND OUT-OF-SEASON RULES AND REGULATIONS, Table I - Schedule of Fall Sports, of the PIAA By-Laws, to advance the first Regular Season Contest date in the sport of golf from Monday, August 24, 2009 to Thursday, August 20, 2009, effective July 1, 2009.

Motion passed: 27-yes, 2-no.

Mr. Vallina moved, and Mr. Kanaskie seconded a motion, on a second reading basis, to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Golf Steering Committee to establish two enrollment classifications for boys’ and girls’ Team and individual competition in the sport of golf, effective July 1, 2010.

Motion failed: 13-yes, 17-no.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Director gave a status report on (1) the recently completed 2008-2009 PIAA Basketball Championships, which were held on a regional basis on Tuesday, March 3 (play-in round); Friday, March 6 and Saturday, March 7, (first round); Tuesday, March 10 and Wednesday, March 11 (second round); Friday, March 13 and Saturday, March 14 (quarterfinals); Tuesday, March 17 and Wednesday, March 18 (semi-finals); and Friday, March 20 and on Saturday, March 21, 2009 (finals) at Bryce Jordan Center,
University Park, PA; (2) his and several members of the PIAA Administrative Staff’s invitation to make presentations and respond to questions at the PIAA Current Issues session of the PSADA Convention, which will be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2009 in Empire A, B, and C of the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, PA; and (3) the 90th Annual NFHS Summer Meeting which is scheduled from Sunday, June 28 to Wednesday, July 1, 2009 at the Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile, Chicago, IL.

On a motion by Mr. Wotkowski, seconded by Mr. Manners, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to approve the meetings schedule for the 2009-2010 school year.

On a motion by Mr. Manners, seconded by Mr. Tonkin, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to approve, subject to consideration and review by the respective PIAA Steering Committees at their meetings of Thursday, March 26, 2009, the proposed Request for Proposals (RFP’s) for the 2009-2010, 2010-2011, and 2011-2012 PIAA Team Wrestling, Individual Wrestling, Swimming and Diving, and Basketball Championships.

PROPOSAL TO PARTICIPATE IN NFHS LICENSE PRODUCT PILOT PROGRAM WITH LICENSING RESOURCE GROUP (LRG)

At the Thursday, January 29 and Friday, January 30, 2009 meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors, the Executive Director presented a proposed agreement between PIAA and Licensing Resource Group (LRG). This agreement is consistent with an NFHS Licensed Product Pilot Program, which seeks to permit more high school control over their school trademarks and products. The suggested approach would have PIAA contract with interested member senior high schools to handle licensing and enforcement of the schools’ trademarks. PIAA would then contract with LRG as PIAA’s agent in handling the licensing and enforcement functions. LRG would then arrange with major retailers to market and sell high school logo products, and would pay a fee based on each item sold. LRG would provide PIAA with appropriate materials and forms to establish the structure. PIAA would then provide information to its member senior high schools. Member senior high schools have no obligation or duty to participate in the program. Those member senior high schools choosing to participate in the program would, on an annual basis, receive a licensing fee from PIAA for every product sold by the participating major retailers. PIAA would also receive a fee from LRG. Schools (and their booster clubs) would be free to retain control, to designate excepted users, and use of any school marks owned by them.

Following consideration and review of the aforementioned, it was unanimously voted to direct the Director of Legal Affairs and Legal Counsel to further investigate and study the proposal to participate in the NFHS Licensed Product Pilot Program with LRG and prepare a recommendation for the Board of Directors’ action at its meeting of Thursday, March 19; Friday, March 20; and Saturday, March 21, 2009.
At its meeting of Thursday, March 19, 2009, the PIAA Board of Directors received the Director of Legal Affairs’ and Legal Counsel’s analysis of the NFHS Licensed Product Pilot Program with LRG. These reports raised questions regarding various aspects of the program which remained unclear. As a result of the foregoing questions and uncertainty, on a motion by Mr. Hawkins, seconded by Mrs. Pierce, it was unanimously voted NOT to participate in the NFHS Licensed Product Pilot Program with LRG.

PIAA FOOTBALL STEERING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

On a motion by Mr. Nemes, seconded by Mr. Kanaskie, it was voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Football Steering Committee to (1) amend, on a second reading basis, ARTICLE XVI, SEASON AND OUT-OF-SEASON RULES AND REGULATIONS, Table I - Schedule of Fall Sports, of the PIAA By-Laws, to provide for the reduction of the Regular Season and Postseason in the sport of football from 16 weekends to 15 weekends; (2) amend the Policy for Determining Number of Enrollment Classifications in the Sports of Baseball, Basketball, Field Hockey, Football, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, and Volleyball, to “carve out” football from that Policy; and (3) adopt a Policy for Determining Number of Enrollment Classifications in the Sport of Football, to provide for six enrollment classifications in that sport, all effective July 1, 2010.

Motion passed: 17-yes, 12-no, 1-abstain, 1-absent. The roll call vote was:

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President Stone recessed the meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors at 9:30 p.m., Thursday, March 19, 2009.
President Stone reconvened the meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors at 8:05 a.m.,
Friday, March 20, 2009, in the Assembly Room, The Nittany Lion Inn, State College,
PA.

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INTRODUCTION OF ALTERNATE VOTING REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President Stone introduced Mr. Timothy M. Allwein, Alternate Voting Representative for Mr. Thomas J. Gentzel, PSBA Executive Director.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Stone called an Executive Session of the PIAA Board of Directors to discuss the report of legal counsel and the report and analysis of PIAA’s legislative consultant. The Board of Directors then went into Executive Session, where legal and legislative matters were discussed.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

President Stone returned the meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors to Regular Session.
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PIAA BY-LAWS

Following a third reading, on a motion by Mr. Kanaskie, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to amend ARTICLE II, AMATEUR STATUS AND AWARDS, of the PIAA By-Laws, (1) Section 2, Loss of Amateur Status, to expand the rule allowing participation in a professional try-out camp to sports other than baseball; and (2) Section 3, Permissible Awards, to a) shift the focus from what an entity may give to a student to what a student may accept, b) modernize the list of permissible awards a student may accept, c) bring school-affiliated booster clubs within the scope of the rule, d) permit a student's acceptance, from schools and school-affiliated booster clubs, of certain awards at the end-of-the-season for participation on a Team, e) place a monetary upper limit on the presentation of permissible awards received by students, and f) recognize the “Operation Gold” national initiative, all effective July 1, 2009, to read as follows:

ARTICLE II
AMATEUR STATUS AND AWARDS

Section 1. Amateur Status Required.
To be eligible to participate in an Inter-School Practice, Scrimmage, or Contest, a student must be an amateur in the sport involved. An amateur student is one who engages in athletic competition solely for the educational, physical, mental, social, and pleasure benefits derived thereof.

Where the official rules for a sport provided for under ARTICLE XVIII of these By-Laws establish requirements for amateur status, such requirements shall govern to the extent inconsistent with this ARTICLE II.

Section 2. Loss of Amateur Status.
A student loses amateur status in an interscholastic sport whenever:

A. The student or the student’s parent(s) or guardian(s), receives compensation, other Consideration, or an award not permitted under Section 3 hereof, for or related to the student’s athletic ability, participation, performance, services, or training in a sport.

B. The student receives Consideration for becoming a member of an athletic organization or school.

C. The student plays on a professional team or as an individual professional athlete in that sport.

D. The student signs a contract whereby the student agrees to compete in any athletic competition for Consideration. It is not a violation for a high school student baseball player to attend, and participate in, a professional baseball try-out camp, provided that (1) no compensation or expenses are paid to the student, (2) the try-out lasts no longer than forty-eight hours; and (3) if in the sport of baseball, the student’s participation is otherwise in conformity with the National Federation Major-Minor League Agreement.

E. The student sells or pawns the student’s athletic achievement awards.

Section 3. Permissible Awards.

A. Member Schools letters: A student may accept, from the student’s school, or a school-affiliated booster club, may purchase items of apparel, a sweater, jacket, blazer, blanket, shirt, shorts, jersey, cap, watch, ring, scroll, carry-on or warm-up bag,
photograph, medal, plaque, or similar award, with appropriate institutional insignia or comparable identification, for a student who upon completion of a season of participation on a Team and/or for has earneded the official school letter or award, and present the same at the time the official school award is made. The fair market value of items provided to any such student shall not exceed $200.

B. Sponsors of Athletic Events: A student may accept, from The sponsor or sponsors of an Athletic Event or group of Athletic Events, may items of apparel, a sweater, jacket, blazer, blanket, shirt, shorts, jersey, cap, watch, ring, scroll, carry-on or warm-up bag, photograph, medal, plaque, or similar award, with appropriate institutional insignia or comparable identification, if the for a student participated in the Athletic Event and/or who has earned an official award for an Athletic Event or Events, and present the same at the time the official award for the Athletic Event or Events is made. The fair market value of items provided to any such student shall not exceed $200. Such sponsor or sponsors may also pay the expenses for a student to participate in educational programs, tours, and field trips provided by the sponsor or sponsors in connection with the Athletic Event or Events.

C. Media and Other Public Recognition: A student may accept, from a non-profit service organization approved by the Principal of the student’s school, or the news media, may purchase items of apparel, a sweater, jacket, blazer, blanket, shirt, shorts, jersey, cap, watch, ring, scroll, carry-on or warm-up bag, photograph, medal, plaque, or similar award, with appropriate institutional insignia or comparable identification, for a student, in recognition of the student’s athletic ability or performance, and present the same at a time appropriate to such recognition. The fair market value of items provided to any such student shall not exceed $200.

D. Banquets: Students may also attend, without charge of admission, athletic banquets sponsored by The institutions listed above in this Section 3 may also sponsor athletic banquets to which students may be invited, without charging admission to such students.

E. Participation expenses: A student may accept, from a school, and/or the sponsor of an Athletic Event or group of Athletic Events, may pay the reasonable and necessary expenses for transportation, lodging, and/or meals incurred by the student and/or the student’s Team for participation in the Athletic Event or Events.

F. Payments to Schools: Nothing in this Section should be deemed to prohibit the sponsor of any Athletic Event or group of Athletic Events from providing to a school any Consideration, provided that such Consideration is not made with the assurance or understanding that all or some of such Consideration is to be then conveyed by the school to any individual student-athletes.

G. College Recruiting: A student may accept from an institution of higher education which the student visits in connection with the student’s prospective or possible attendance there as a college student, reasonable expenses necessitated by such visit, and free admission to home Athletic Events of such institution which occur during such visit.

H. Operation Gold: Consistent with NFHS policy, a student may accept monies under this program, which provides monetary rewards to athletes who place in the Olympic Games and/or World Championships in designated sports.
On a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Manners, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to amend, on a second reading basis, ARTICLE VI, TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE, AND RECRUITING, of the PIAA By-Laws, to clarify and simplify the definition of transfers, effective July 1, 2009, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE VI**
**TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE, AND RECRUITING**

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**Section 1. Definition of Transfer.**
A transfer occurs in any situation in which a student seeks eligibility to participate in interscholastic athletics at a school other than the one at which the student was either enrolled or otherwise eligible, enrolls at or attends a PIAA member school after having been previously home enrolled at or attending any other school, without regard to the time interval between the student’s departure from one school and the student’s arrival at a PIAA member school. A home-schooled student who is registered with the Superintendent of one public school district and who then registers with another public school district or enrolls in a Private School is considered to have transferred.

A student who either enrolls at or otherwise seeks eligibility to participate in interscholastic athletics at a PIAA member school, other than the one at which the student was either enrolled or otherwise eligible, between the end of a school year and the first Practice day of fall sports for the next school year, as established under ARTICLE XVI, SEASON AND OUT-OF-SEASON RULES AND REGULATIONS, of the PIAA By-Laws, but who neither Practices with nor attends that member school, shall, unless a request for determination of eligibility relating to that enrollment has first been ruled upon by a Regional Panels or District Committee, within their respective jurisdictions, be deemed for purposes of this ARTICLE VI not to have transferred to that member school.

On a motion by Mr. Majikes, seconded by Mr. Kelly, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to amend, on a second reading basis, ARTICLE VI, TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE, AND RECRUITING, of the PIAA By-Laws, (1) Section 2, Immediate Eligibility, a) to clarify the title and status of eligibility under Section 2 to make clear that the provision conveys presumptive eligibility only, and b) that such eligibility is subject to Section 4C of this ARTICLE; (2) Section 3, Ineligible Students, to further specify the presumptive status of eligibility/ineligibility of students; (3) Section 4, District Committee Review, to a) update the title, b) reorganize Section 4 and subsection 4B, c) modernize the list of situations which may indicate a transfer was motivated in some material way by an athletic purpose, and d) add a 12th illustration; and (4) Section 6, Recruiting, to clarify that either a) a signed complaint from the Principal of a PIAA member school or b) otherwise credible information shall cause the convening of a hearing into an allegation of recruiting, all effective July 1, 2009, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE VI**
**TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE, AND RECRUITING**

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Section 2. **Presumptive Immediate Eligibility.**

Subject to Section 4C of this ARTICLE, a student transferring from one school to a PIAA member school is presumed to be eligible immediately if the student meets one of the following provisions:

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Section 3. **Ineligible Students.**

A student not presumptively eligible under Section 2 of this ARTICLE shall be presumptively automatically ineligible to participate in each sport in which the student participated within one year immediately preceding the date of the student’s transfer.

Section 4. **Regional Panel or District Committee Review.**

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A. **Certification of Principals.**

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B. **Waiver of Ineligibility.**

1. **General Waiver.** A student who is not otherwise eligible under Section 2 of this ARTICLE may, following enrollment at a PIAA member school and through the Principal of the school at which the student seeks eligibility, request that the Regional Panel or District Committee, within their respective jurisdictions, waive the period of ineligibility in all sports. Said waiver shall not be granted if the Regional Panel or District Committee finds that there exists a reasonable likelihood that the transfer was materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose relating to all sports or if such determination would otherwise circumvent the purpose of this ARTICLE, part of which is to deter transfers which are materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose.

2. **Partial Waiver.** A student who is not otherwise presumptively eligible under Section 2 of this ARTICLE may, following enrollment at a PIAA member school and through the Principal of the school at which the student seeks eligibility, also request that the Regional Panel or District Committee, within their respective jurisdictions, waive the period of ineligibility in those specific sports where the transfer was not materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose. Said waiver shall not be granted if the Regional Panel or District Committee finds that there exists a reasonable likelihood that the transfer was materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose relating to those sports or if such determination would otherwise circumvent the purpose of this ARTICLE, part of which is to deter transfers which are materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose.

CD. **Review and Rescission of Presumptive Eligibility.**

Notwithstanding Section 2 of this ARTICLE, a Regional Panel or District Committee, within their respective jurisdictions, may, following a student's transfer enrollment of a student at a different school and upon request of the Principal of that 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; 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.

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, unless the student is declared eligible under this Section.

DE. 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 action or anticipated actions by the previous school relating to sports eligibility.

5. 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 rented residence in the new 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.

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Section 6. Recruiting.

A. Upon a Regional Panel's or District Committee's, within their respective jurisdictions, receipt of

1. a signed complaint which alleges that a representative of a school's Athletic Personnel, or any other person affiliated with the school, approached one or more students, or one or more parents or guardians of such student(s), or an adult with whom the student resides, for the purpose of influencing such student(s) to transfer to that school for the purpose of participating in athletics at that school, or the school, its Athletic Personnel and/or individuals affiliated with the school in other ways engaged in recruiting of students for the purpose of participating in athletics; or

2. either (1) a signed complaint from the Principal of a PIAA member school, or (2) otherwise credible information that (a) a representative of a school's Athletic Personnel, or any other person affiliated with the school, influenced, persuaded, or attempted to influence or persuade approached one or more students, or one or more parents or guardians of such student(s), or an adult with whom the student(s) reside, for the purpose of influencing such student(s) to transfer to, or otherwise obtain athletic eligibility at, that school for the purpose of participating in athletics at that school, or (b) the school, its Athletic Personnel and/or individuals affiliated with the school in other ways engaged in recruiting of students for an athletic purpose, the Regional Panel or District Committee shall give notice to the school of such complaint or credible information and shall convene a hearing to consider whether any such individuals or the school, by itself or through its Athletic Personnel or other persons affiliated with the school, has engaged in recruiting of students for the purpose of participating in athletics.

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B. The following is an illustrative, but not exhaustive, list of situations which may indicate recruiting which is materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose:

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12. Participation by a student in non-school athletics (i.e. AAU, American Legion, club settings, etc.) on a Team that is affiliated with any school
other than the school which the student attends, or attended the prior year, followed by a transfer enrollment by that student to at the affiliated school. A Team affiliated with a school is one that is organized by and/or coached by any member of the coaching staff at, or any other person affiliated with, that school; and/or on which the majority of the members of the Team (participants in Practice and/or competition) are students who attend that school.

Mr. Kelly moved, and Mr. Wotkowski seconded a motion, to amend, on a second reading basis, (1) ARTICLE VI, TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE, AND RECRUITING, Section 4, District Committee Review, of the PIAA By-Laws, to provide for subsection 4B3, Transfers Without Bona Fide Change of Residence and (2) the GLOSSARY, to provide for a definition of Bona Fide Change of Residence, both effective July 1, 2009, to read as follows:

ARTICLE VI
TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE, AND RECRUITING

Section 4. Regional Panel or District Committee Review.

A. Certification of Principals.

B. Waiver of Ineligibility.
   1. General Waiver. A student who is not otherwise eligible under Section 2 of this ARTICLE may, following enrollment at a PIAA member school and through the Principal of the school at which the student seeks eligibility, request that the Regional Panel or District Committee, within their respective jurisdictions, waive the period of ineligibility in all sports. Said waiver shall not be granted if the Regional Panel or District Committee finds that there exists a reasonable likelihood that the transfer was materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose relating to all sports or if such determination would otherwise circumvent the purpose of this ARTICLE, part of which is to deter transfers which are materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose.
   2. Partial Waiver. A student who is not otherwise presumptively eligible under Section 2 of this ARTICLE may, following enrollment at a PIAA member school and through the Principal of the school at which the student seeks eligibility, also request that the Regional Panel or District Committee, within their respective jurisdictions, waive the period of ineligibility in those specific sports where the transfer was not materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose. Said waiver shall not be granted if the Regional Panel or District Committee finds that there exists a reasonable likelihood that the transfer was materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose relating to those sports or if such determination would otherwise circumvent the purpose of this
ARTICLE, part of which is to deter transfers which are materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose.

3. Transfers Without Bona Fide Change of Residence. Because of the significant risk to competitive equity and the particular challenges in properly assessing the motives in moves not involving a Bona Fide Change of Residence, any waiver under this Subsection shall, for students who transfer without a Bona Fide Change of Residence, be limited to participation in Regular Season Contests only, unless said transfer is caused by a severe and unusual hardship resulting from a substantial and compelling change in circumstances beyond the control of the student and the student's parents or guardians, in which case eligibility for Postseason Contests may be waived in either all sports or specific sports.

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GLOSSARY

BONA FIDE CHANGE OF RESIDENCE: A change in residence from one public school district to residence in another public school district - regardless of whether the school to be attended by the student is a public school or Private School - with the intent to make such new residence a fixed, final, and permanent domicile. Whether a move is a Bona Fide Change of Residence shall be determined by the District Committee based on the facts of each case. A change of residence will not be considered bona fide or complete unless: (1) the original residence is abandoned as a residence and not used as a residence by the student's parents or guardians; and (2) the student's entire immediate family moves and takes with them all household goods and furniture appropriate to the circumstances.

A temporary change of residence will be considered a Bona Fide Change where (1) the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) obtain new employment; (2) the new place of employment is located more than 25 miles from the prior residence; (3) the new residence is near the new place of employment; and (4) the move is (a) intended as an interim move pending purchase of a final place of residence near the place of residence; or (b) tied into a specified period of employment at the new location, such as a four-year job, with the expectation of a further move following completion of the term of employment. A temporary move on the part of the family, while either of the student's parents or guardians remain in the original place of residence, may not be considered under this provision.

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Motion failed: 0-yes, 31-no.

On a motion by Mr. Hawkins, seconded by Mr. Ziegler, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to amend, on a second reading basis, an Interpretation of ARTICLE VIII, PERIOD OF PARTICIPATION, of the PIAA By-Laws, to clarify that, with the exception of Scrimmages and/or Contests with alumni (other than in the sports of football and wrestling) that are authorized by the school Principal, persons (other than Coaches) who have graduated or have withdrawn from high school are not eligible to participate in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests, effective July 1, 2009, to read as follows:
ARTICLE VIII
PERIOD OF PARTICIPATION
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INTERPRETATIONS
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March 20, 1965; as amended July 1, 2009.

Except as provided in ARTICLE XII, ATHLETIC RELATIONS, Section 1B and
ARTICLE XIV, COACHES, Section 2, What Constitutes Coaching, of the PIAA By-
Laws, no person who has graduated or withdrawn from high school postgraduate is
eligible to participate in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or
Contests compete in interscholastic athletics.

On a motion by Mr. Constantine, seconded by Mr. Fullen, it was unanimously voted to
accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to amend, on a first reading basis,
ARTICLE XII, ATHLETIC RELATIONS, of the PIAA By-Laws, to (1) permit Regular
Season Scrimmages, in addition to Contests, with alumni (other than in the sports of
football and wrestling), subject to authorization by the school Principal; (2) clarify that
such Scrimmages and/or Contests count against the maximum permitted number of
Regular Season Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests in the applicable
sport; and (3) adopted, on a first reading basis, an Interpretation thereof, to clarify that,
with the exception of Regular Season Scrimmages and/or Contests with alumni (other
than in the sports of football and wrestling) that are authorized by the school Principal,
persons (other than Coaches) who have graduated or have withdrawn from high school
are not eligible to participate in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or
Contests, all effective July 1, 2009, to read as follows:

ARTICLE XII
ATHLETIC RELATIONS
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Section 1. Teams Which PIAA Member Schools May Play.
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B. Regular Season Scrimmages and/or Contests with alumni, where
authorized sponsored by the school Principal authorities, are permitted in all sports
except in Football and Wrestling. Such Scrimmages and/or Contests shall count
against the maximum permitted number of Regular Season Inter-School Practices,
Scrimmages, and/or Contests in the applicable sport.

INTERPRETATION

Section 1-B. July 1, 2009.

Except as provided in ARTICLE XII, ATHLETIC RELATIONS, Section 1B and
ARTICLE XIV, COACHES, Section 2, What Constitutes Coaching, of the PIAA By-
Laws, no person who has graduated or withdrawn from high school postgraduate is
eligible to participate in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests compete in interscholastic athletics.

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On a motion by Mr. Constantine, seconded by Mr. Fullen, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to amend, on a first reading basis, ARTICLE XIV, COACHES, of the PIAA By-Laws, to (1) provide for a definition of a Coach; (2) clarify and modernize Section 2, What Constitutes Coaching; and (3) adopted, on a first reading basis, an Interpretation thereof, to clarify that, with the exception of Regular Season Scrimmages and/or Contests with alumni (other than in the sports of football and wrestling) that are authorized by the school Principal, persons (other than Coaches) who have graduated or have withdrawn from high school are not eligible to participate in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests, all effective July 1, 2009, to read as follows:

ARTICLE XIV
COACHES

Section 1. Who May Coach.

A. A Coach is a person engaged by a school to provide coaching to a Team. Any person (including volunteer high school alumni, professional athletes, and citizens of the community) approved by the Principal to do so may, either for an entire season or any part thereof, serve as a Coach to a Team. Coaches are subject to the supervision and control of the Principal and, in the sole discretion of the school, may or may not be compensated for the provision of such services. PIAA does not impose any requirements on the hiring of 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 hire as coaches any persons who meet their local criteria.

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Section 2. What Constitutes Coaching.

"Coaching" means the provision of instruction, training, conditioning and/or direction to members of interscholastic athletic a Team, individually or as a group, for the purpose of developing athletic abilities and/or skills. In furtherance of their responsibilities, and consistent with applicable standards and practices relating to safety in individual sports, Coaches may participate as they deem necessary and appropriate in Practices and may provide sideline coaching assistance in Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages and Contests, to perform in Contests. It includes the provision of such voluntary instruction as that which is some cases has been given, in the past, by high school alumni, professional students, and citizens of the community who are interest in developing winning Teams.

INTERPRETATION

Section 2. July 1, 2009.

Except as provided in ARTICLE XII, ATHLETIC RELATIONS, Section 1B and ARTICLE XIV, COACHES, Section 2, What Constitutes Coaching, of the PIAA By-
On a motion by Mr. Wotkowski, seconded by Mr. Tommasini, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to amend, on a second reading basis, ARTICLE XV, OFFICIALS, Section 2, How Persons may Become PIAA-Registered Sports Officials, of the PIAA By-Laws, to require (1) first-time registering sports officials, to submit with their applications for registration, Act 34 (background check), Act 151 (child abuse history), and Act 114 (federal criminal history record) reports; and (2) all sports officials registered with PIAA since April 1, 2007, to submit to PIAA, Act 34 (background check), Act 151 (child abuse history), and Act 114 (federal criminal history record) reports, both effective July 1, 2009, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE XV
OFFICIALS**

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Section 2. How Persons may Become PIAA-Registered Sports Officials.

To become a PIAA-registered official in any sport, the applicant shall meet the qualifications and requirements and pass such examination as may be required by the PIAA Board of Directors.

Effective July 1, 2009, all first-time applicants, all sports officials registered for the first time with PIAA, subsequent to March 31, 2007, and all applicants whose registrations have lapsed for more than one year, shall be required to submit to PIAA, with their applications for registration, copies of (1) an Act 34 (background check) report, (2) an Act 151 (child abuse history) report, and (3) an Act 114 (federal criminal history record) report identify any crimes of which they have been convicted. The date of said reports shall not be more than one year prior to the date the application for registration is received by PIAA. Expenses for obtaining and submitting said reports shall be borne by the applicant.

Applicants shall be required to identify any crimes of which they have been convicted. Any applicant who has been convicted of, or who has pled guilty or no contest to, (1) any of the offenses identified at the time of violation in 23 Pa.C.S.A. § 6344(c)(2) or an equivalent crime under federal law or of another state, or (2) a felony offense under the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device, and Cosmetic Act, committed within the preceding five years, shall not be registered by PIAA. Applicants may also be rejected by the Executive Director if they have been convicted of forgery, fraud, embezzlement, perjury, and/or another offense which relates to or calls into question the honesty or veracity of the applicant. The decision of the Executive Director to reject an application may be appealed by the applicant to the PIAA Board of Directors.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PIAA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

On a motion by Mr. Manners, seconded by Mr. Tonkin, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to amend, on a second reading basis, Procedural Standards for Regional Panels and District Committees, I, Other Procedural Issues, 1, Tape Recordings, and 2, Transcription of Hearing, of the PIAA Policies and Procedures, to read as follows:

PROCEDURAL STANDARDS FOR REGIONAL PANELS
AND DISTRICT COMMITTEES

I. Other Procedural Issues.

1. Tape Recordings. Although it is strongly recommended that the hearing not be tape recorded, if a Regional Panel, District Committee, or Hearing Panel intends to record a particular hearing, it should be announced at the beginning that it so intends, and that if there are any objections, the taping will not occur. The presiding officer should explain that the purpose of the tape is for use by the Regional Panel, District Committee, or Hearing Panel during its deliberations.

2. Transcription of Hearing. Where a request is made that the hearing be transcribed by a court reporter, such transcription shall be permitted so long as (1) it is at the expense of the requesting party, and (2) PIAA receives a copy of the transcript at the expense of the requesting party contemporaneously with the delivery of the original to the requestor. The Regional Panel or District Committee, on its own, may elect to transcribe the hearing. If it chooses to do so, it will bear the expense for attendance of the court reporter. Costs for a transcript must be borne by the parties requesting preparation of the transcript.

It is recommended that Regional Panels or District Committees, within their respective jurisdictions, bear the expense for attendance of a court reporter when hearing matters arising under ARTICLE VI, of the PIAA By-Laws, involving transfers or athletic recruiting.

On a motion by Mr. Wabby, seconded by Mr. Tonkin, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to amend, on a second reading basis, Procedural Standards for Appeal Hearings, H, Other Procedural Matters, 2, Transcription of Hearing, of the PIAA Policies and Procedures, to read as follows:

PROCEDURAL STANDARDS FOR APPEAL HEARINGS

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H. Other Procedural Matters:

1. **Tape Recording of Hearing.** Before any testimony is taken, if the hearing is to be tape recorded by the Board, the presiding officer shall announce this intention. The presiding officer shall explain that the purpose of the tape is for use by the Board of Directors or Board of Appeal during its deliberations. If there are any objections, the taping will not occur.

2. **Transcription of Hearing.** Where a request is made that the hearing be transcribed by a court reporter, such transcription shall be permitted so long as (1) it is at the expense of the requesting party, and (2) PIAA receives a copy of the transcript at the expense of the requesting party contemporaneously with the delivery of the original to the requestor. The Board, on its own, may elect to transcribe the hearing. If it chooses to do so, it will bear the expense for attendance of the court reporter. Costs for a transcript must be borne by the parties requesting preparation of the transcript.

Where the Executive Director and/or Board elect to have a court reporter attend a hearing, the cost of attendance shall be borne by the Board. The costs of any transcript sought by a party, however, shall be borne by that party, which shall provide a copy of the transcript to PIAA.

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PIAA PRIVATE SCHOOLS’ REPRESENTATIVE’S PROPOSAL TO AMEND COMPOSITION OF PRIVATE SCHOOLS’ STEERING COMMITTEE

Following a third reading, on a motion by Mr. Cleary, seconded by Mr. Fullen, it was voted to accept the recommendation of PIAA Private Schools’ Representative to the PIAA Board of Directors to amend PIAA Board of Directors’ Committees, Advisory Committees, and Steering Committees, III, 5, Private Schools, of the PIAA Policies and Procedures, effective immediately, to read as follows:

PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ COMMITTEES, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, AND STEERING COMMITTEES

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III. Steering Committees

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

1. Athletic Directors
2. Girls’ Athletics
3. Junior High/Middle Schools
4. Officials’ Council
5. Private 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 Private Schools’ Steering Committee shall be comprised solely of persons currently employed by a PIAA member Private School. If a District Committee does not have a Committee member who is currently employed by a PIAA member Private School, that District Committee shall designate an individual currently employed by a PIAA member Private School, which is under the jurisdiction of that PIAA District Committee, as that District’s representative on the Private Schools’ Steering Committee. Any PIAA District Committee that does not have a PIAA member Private School under its jurisdiction shall not be represented on the Private Schools’ Steering Committee.

Motion passed: 17-yes, 10-no.

PIAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chairman of the PIAA Executive Committee gave a status report on a (1) Wednesday, February 4, 2009 conference call relative to the request of Red Lion Area Senior High School for relief from the application of ARTICLE XIX, JUNIOR HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOLS, Section 2, Eligibility of Seventh, Eighth, and Ninth Grade Students to Participate in Senior High School Interscholastic Athletics, subsection A (the “Super Frosh Rule”) and ARTICLE XIII, PENALTIES, Section 3, Mandatory Forfeiture, subsection A (the "Mandatory Forfeiture Rule"), both of the PIAA By-Laws; (2) Thursday, February 12, 2009 conference call relative to the request of Columbia-Montour Area Vocational-Technical School (“Columbia-Montour”) for relief from the application of ARTICLE IV, DUES AND ENROLLMENT REPORT, Section 1, Annual Dues and Enrollment Report, of the PIAA Constitution; and (3) Wednesday, March 4, 2009 conference call relative to the request of Pittsburgh Westinghouse High School to stay the suspension of its head varsity girls’ basketball coach pending appeal.

On a motion by Mr. Blucas, seconded by Mr. Kelly, it was unanimously voted to ratify the decisions of the PIAA Executive Committee in the foregoing matters.

PIAA NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Chairman of the PIAA Nominating Committee advised the PIAA Board of Directors that that Committee met earlier this morning in the Assembly Room of The Nittany Lion Inn, State College, PA. The Committee is soliciting nominations for the positions of President, Vice President, and Treasurer of PIAA for the term beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010; and is respectfully requesting that persons submitting nominations seek and receive such nominee’s approval before submitting same for the aforementioned positions.
PIAA BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

On a motion by Mr. Wabby, seconded by Mr. Taylor, it was voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Budget Committee to adopt, on a second reading basis, the PIAA Operating Activities Budget for the year ending June 30, 2010.

Motion passed: 23-yes, 4-no.

On a motion by Mr. Wabby, seconded by Mr. Wotkowski, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Budget Committee to adopt, on a second reading basis, the PIAA Cash Flows Budget for the year ending June 30, 2010.

CARLYNTON JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL PROPOSAL TO AMEND ARTICLE VIII, PERIOD OF PARTICIPATION, SECTION 7, YEARLY SEASON LIMITATION, PIAA BY-LAWS

On the presumption that Carlynton Junior-Senior High School was seeking, on behalf of Rachel Calorie, an amendment to ARTICLE VIII, PERIOD OF PARTICIPATION, Section 7, Yearly Season Limitation, of the PIAA By-Laws, to provide for a waiver provision, the PIAA Board of Directors discussed the matter, even though no person appeared on behalf of Carlynton Junior-Senior High School or Ms. Calorie to advocate for an amendment to the By-Laws, nor was any specific amendatory language submitted for consideration by the PIAA Board of Directors.

Following such discussion and due consideration by the PIAA Board of Directors, on a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Blucas, it was unanimously voted to deny Carlynton Junior-Senior High School’s request to amend ARTICLE VIII, PERIOD OF PARTICIPATION, Section 7, Yearly Season Limitation, of the PIAA By-Laws, to provide for a waiver provision.

PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH “FLOATING” FIRST PRACTICE DAY FOR FALL SPORTS

By consensus of the PIAA Board of Directors, a proposal to establish a “floating” first Practice day for fall sports, based on each member school’s first student day, was referred to the 2009 PIAA Summer Workshop for consideration and review.

WITHDRAWAL OF PSADA REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF PIAA ASSUMING JURISDICTION OVER COMPETITIVE CHEER

At the request of the Pennsylvania State Athletic Directors’ Association (PSADA) Representative to the PIAA Board of Directors, the request of the PSADA Delegate Assembly for consideration by the PIAA Board of Directors to assume jurisdiction over competitive cheer was withdrawn.
REVIEW OF CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES USED FOR POSTPONEMENTS 
AND RESULTING FORFEITURES OF PIAA DISTRICT AND/OR 
INTER-DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS 

At the request of the Executive Director, a review of the criteria and procedures used for postponements and resulting forfeitures of PIAA District and/or Inter-District Championship Contests was conducted. By consensus of the PIAA Board of Directors, the Executive Director was directed to consider whether the creation of a formal policy setting forth such criteria and procedures is appropriate.

ADJOURNMENT 

President Stone adjourned the meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors at 11:25 a.m., Friday, March 20, 2009.

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING: 7:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, MAY 20 AND 
8:00 A.M., THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2009, FALLING SPRING ROOM, FOUR POINTS SHERATON, CHAMBERSBURG, PA.

Respectfully submitted,

Bradley R. Cashman 
Executive Director