At 3:47 p.m., Wednesday, May 24, 2017, 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
Paul Leonard, Cairnbrook ....................................................................................... District 5
Dr. David A. Crumrine, Martinsburg ..................................................................... District 6
Scott M. Seltzer, Pittsburgh .................................................................................. District 7
Scott D. Heinauer, Mars ........................................................................................ District 7
Amy Scheuneman, Pittsburgh ............................................................................... District 7
Michael A. Gavlik, Pittsburgh ............................................................................... District 8
James B. Manners, Brockway ............................................................................... District 9
Dr. Peter P. Iacino, Sharon .................................................................................... District 10
Robert F. Hartman, Jr., Whitehall ......................................................................... District 11
Michael W. Hawkins, Fort Washington ................................................................. District 12
Joseph D. Sette, Warminster ................................................................................ District 12
Brown E. Cutchall, Waterfall
Representing ......................................................................................................... Member Junior High/Middle Schools
Brian W. Campbell, Harrisburg
Representing ......................................................................................................... PA Department of Education
Ashley White, Mechanicsburg
Representing ......................................................................................................... PSBA
Dr. Richard L. Frerichs, Millersville
Representing ......................................................................................................... PSBA
Dr. Emilie M. Lonardi, York
Representing ......................................................................................................... PASA
Timothy J. Walter
Representing ......................................................................................................... PSADA
MEMBERS PRESENT (Continued)

Ronald J. Kanaskie, Riverside
Representing ........................................................................................................PCA
Maureen S. Williams, Wilkes-Barre
Representing ........................................................................................................Female Officials
William H. Sinning, Pittsburgh
Representing ........................................................................................................Male Officials
Audrey K. Hall, McConnellsburg
Representing ........................................................................................................Girls’ Athletics
Aaron J. Straub, Saint Marys
Representing ........................................................................................................Private Schools
Cathy S. Wreski, Middletown
Representing ........................................................................................................Female Parents
Kevin J. Doverspike, New Bethlehem
Representing ........................................................................................................Male Parents

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
Jennifer S. Grassel, Assistant Executive Director .....................................................PIAA
Michael L. Solomon, Esq., Director of Legal Affairs ................................................PIAA

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS

Carol Steinour Young, Esq. .........................................................................................PIAA Legal Counsel
Andrew Goodman ....................................................................................................PIAA Legislative Representative

GUESTS PRESENT

Dakota Landis ........................................................................................................PIAA Intern
Sean Kelly, Assistant Executive Director ..................................................................District 1
Sean P. McAleer, Director of Education .................................................................Pennsylvania Catholic Conference
George B. Shue, Associate Executive Director ..........................................................PSFCA
Eric F. Epler ................................................................................................................Harrisburg Patriot-News

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Kanaskie, seconded by Mrs. Hall, it was unanimously voted to approve the Minutes of the Wednesday, March 22, 2017, meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors, as corrected and presented by the Executive Director.
APPROVAL OF 2017-2018 PIAA MEETINGS SCHEDULE

On a motion by Mr. Seltzer, seconded by Mr. Walter, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director to approve the meetings schedule as presented for the 2017-2018 school year, as set forth in Attachment 1.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 4:00 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 4:12 p.m., President Zack returned the meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors to Regular Session.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL REPORT

Andrew Goodman of Milliron & Goodman LLC reported on legislative matters, which included a meeting scheduled with the Pennsylvania Athletic Oversight Committee on June 20, 2017 and the Law Enforcement Concussion Protocol Bill and Access to Epinephrine Auto-Injectors Legislation.

MaST COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL REQUEST TO TRANSFER FROM DISTRICT XII TO DISTRICT I

On a motion by Dr. Iacino, seconded by Mr. Sinning, it was voted to sustain the District I decision to deny MaST Community Charter School to transfer from District XII to District.

Motion failed: 18-no, 8-yes.

It was moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Bohannon, to allow MaST Community Charter School to transfer from District XII to District I.

Motion failed: 18-yes, 8-no; the action to allow the transfer from District XII to District I failed due to a lack of the 3/4 majority vote of the Board of Directors required under ARTICLE V, ORGANIZATION AND AUTHORITY, Section 2, Transfer of Schools From One PIAA District to Another, of the PIAA Constitution.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PIAA CONSTITUTION

On a motion by Dr. Iacino, seconded by Mr. Hawkins, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of Legal Counsel to adopt an interpretation of ARTICLE IX, INTERPRETATION, to clarify Sections 3-A and 3-E, of the PIAA Constitution, to read as follows:
PIAA CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE IX
DISTRICT COMMITTEES

Section 3. Powers and Duties of a District Committee.

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INTERPRETATION

Section 3-A and 3-E. May 24, 2017. A District Committee has authority to address and resolve any actions by a league or conference which are contrary to the purposes and goals of PIAA.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PIAA BY-LAWS

On a motion by Mrs. Hall, seconded by Dr. Lonardi, it was voted to suspend the Protocol for Approving and Implementing Changes to the PIAA By-Laws, contained in the PIAA By-Laws Section of the PIAA Handbook; and accept the recommendation of Legal Counsel to amend ARTICLE XV, OFFICIALS, Section 3, Background Certifications, b, Currently Registered Officials, and Section 7, Removal of Registered Sports Officials, as follows:

ARTICLE XV
OFFICIALS

Section 3. Background Certifications.

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b. Currently Registered Officials. All current PIAA-registered officials must who have not yet have submitted to PIAA the certifications identified in subsection A of this Section are required to obtain and submit them to PIAA on or before January 1, 2016. The failure to submit such certifications shall result in suspension of registration until the certifications are submitted.

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Section 7. Removal of Registered Sports Officials.

A. Mandatory Removal.

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Additionally, the Executive Director shall not reinstate any individual convicted of an offense identified in 24 P.S. § 1-111(e), or an equivalent offense under the laws of the United States, another state and/or a United States territory, unless the PIAA Director of Legal Affairs certifies that he or she believes that the refusal to reinstate would likely be inconsistent with the individual’s constitutional rights.

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Motion passed: 27-yes, 3-no.
On a motion by Dr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of Legal Counsel, on a first reading basis, to amend ARTICLE VI, TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE AND RECRUITING, Section 5, Transfers Following Expulsion or Anticipated Expulsion, of the PIAA By-Laws, for further clarification, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE VI**
TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE AND RECRUITING

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**Section 5. Transfers Following Expulsion or Anticipated Expulsion.**

A student who is expelled from a school, or who withdraws pending likely expulsion, for conduct which, had the student been allowed to remain at the sending school, would likely have resulted in loss of the opportunity to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school is ineligible to participate in interscholastic athletics at the receiving school for a period of one year from the date of transfer or, if the student demonstrates by compelling evidence that the period of ineligibility at the sending school would have been less, for the demonstrated period of ineligibility at the sending school.

Where a school has prohibited a student from participating in interscholastic athletics at the school, the student shall be ineligible to participate in interscholastic athletics at any other PIAA member school for the shorter of (1) one year from the imposition of the school’s prohibition, or (2) the period that the student would have been prohibited from participating at his/her school.

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On a motion by Dr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Executive Director, on a first reading basis, to amend ARTICLE IX, REPRESENTATION, and ARTICLE XVI, Season and Out-of-Season Rules and Regulations, of the PIAA By-Laws, for further clarification, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE IX**
REPRESENTATION

Preamble

Interscholastic athletic competition is an extension of the classroom and an educational activity that provides outstanding opportunities within a school setting. Through participation in such education based programs, young people learn values and skills that help prepare them for the future. To that end, the purposes of this Article are as follows: (1) to promote uniform standards in all interscholastic competition for student-athletes and Teams representing PIAA member schools; (2) to encourage interscholastic participation by student-athletes and Teams throughout the defined season; and (3) to discourage outside participation in a sport to the detriment of interscholastic participation.

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

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**A. Out-of-Season Activities.**

Outside of the defined-season for sports:

1. PIAA member schools may not sponsor Teams in that sport;
2. PIAA member schools, Coaches and/or students of PIAA member schools may be involved with sports activities such as training programs, recreational activities, Open Gyms, clinics, and camps provided that any participation by Coaches and/or students is as private citizens and is voluntary as described below;

3. Coaches and/or students acting as private citizens, and on a voluntary basis, may participate on Teams that are not affiliated with PIAA member schools. Coaches and other PIAA member school personnel may not require a student to participate in a sport or a training program for a sport outside of the PIAA-defined sport’s season. The participation of students in any sports activity that occurs outside of its defined season must be voluntary; and

4. The school’s name, nickname, and interscholastic athletic uniform, interscholastic athletic equipment, and interscholastic athletic health/first-aid supplies may not be used by community organizations, and groups, or. The school’s name, nickname and interscholastic athletic uniforms may not be used by students; however, the Principal, with the exception of football equipment, may permit community organizations, groups or students to use the school’s interscholastic athletic equipment and the school’s interscholastic athletic health/first-aid supplies.

B. Conclusion of Regular Season.

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With the approval of the District Committee, Regular Season Contests which have been postponed may be rescheduled and played between the last Regular Season Contest day in that sport and the District Deadline in that sport. For purposes of the immediately preceding sentence, the last date of playing of the last such a postponed Regular Season Contest constitutes the last Regular Season Contest day in that sport.

C. Football.

The following sport-specific rules modify the provisions otherwise set forth in this ARTICLE. To the extent any other provision in this ARTICLE is inconsistent with this Section, this Section controls.

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3. Outside the PIAA-defined football season, the Principal may permit students of the Principal’s school to use the school’s helmets, shoulder pads, and shoes for non-Physical Contact skill related instruction supervised by school-approved adults or at instructional camps. This provision is to promote student safety in football-related activities that do not include Physical Contact.

4. Outside the PIAA-defined football season, in addition to PIAA member school sponsorship of activities defined in Section 2.A(3) of this article, PIAA member schools may sponsor non-contact 7v7 programs provided that any participation by Coaches and/or students is voluntary.

5. In recognition of the unique circumstances within those PIAA member schools that are absent of any junior high/middle school interscholastic football program, students enrolled in and attending those member schools in grades 7 and 8 may annually participate in the out-of-season interscholastic football program organized and operated as National Football League (NFL) Junior Player Development. A student’s participation shall be limited to a maximum of two weeks per year.

6. Nothing in this Section shall prevent any student from participating, up through the completion of 8th grade, on community based non-school affiliated youth fall football programs through December 31st of that fall football season.

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On a motion by Dr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of Legal Counsel, on a first reading basis, to amend ARTICLE XIII, PENALTIES, Section 5, Forfeiture of Championship Rights, of the PIAA By-Laws, for further clarification, to read as follows:

ARTICLE XIII
PENALTIES

Section 5. Forfeiture of Championship Rights

A school may be required to forfeit championship rights for flagrant misconduct and/or any violation of the Constitution, By-Laws, Policies and Procedures, and/or Rules and Regulations of PIAA, and for participating in a non-approved or a disapproved Tournament in a sport, or in lieu of penalties which could be imposed under Sections 1 and/or 2 of this ARTICLE.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PIAA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

On a motion by Dr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of Legal Counsel, on a first reading basis, to amend Indoor and Outdoor Events: Spectator Decorum, of the PIAA Policies and Procedures, for further clarification, to read as follows:

INDOOR EVENTS: SPECTATOR DECORUM

The presence and/or the use of balloons, banners, laser pointers, noisemakers, pom-poms (by spectators), shakers, signs, sirens, strips of material, towels, whistles, and/or portable listening devices (without earphones) are PROHIBITED! Persons using such items may be removed from the Contest. The Principal and Athletic Director of each school will be requested to confiscate these items from their cheerleaders and/or the spectators from their school and community. The use of pom-poms by cheerleaders and small portable listening devices with earphones is permitted. During basketball Contests cheerleaders may utilize portable signs in their cheer performances and confirm that this does not violate the intent of the “no sign” policy. Spectators are prohibited from removing their shirt and/or using body paint while in attendance at District and Inter-District Championship Contests and may be removed from the Contest for doing so. Principals and Athletic Directors of competing schools shall inform announce and publicize these regulations to students. The failure of a school to so inform or publicize will not, however, prevent removal from the Contest for violations of this policy.

OUTDOOR EVENTS: SPECTATOR DECORUM

The presence and/or the use of balloons, whistles, and/or portable listening devices (without earphones) are PROHIBITED! Persons using such items may be removed from the Contest. The Principal and Athletic Director of each school will be requested to confiscate these items from their cheerleaders and/or the spectators from their school and community. The use of pom-poms by cheerleaders and small portable listening devices with earphones is permitted. Spectators are prohibited from removing their shirts and/or using body paint while in attendance at District and Inter-District Championship Contests and may be removed from the Contest for doing so. Principals and Athletic Directors of competing schools shall inform announce and publicize these regulations to students. The failure of a school to so inform or publicize will not, however, prevent removal from the Contest for violations of this policy.
The principal, athletic director, coaches, team physician, team trainer, players in uniform, managers, ball holders, and statisticians are will be the only persons permitted in the team box.

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On a motion by Dr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of Legal Counsel, on a first reading basis, to create a PIAA Merchandising Policy, to read as follows:

**MERCHANDISING**

PIAA retains the exclusive right to produce and sell souvenir products (apparel and otherwise) at all District and Inter-District Championship Tournament Contests.

Participating schools may not sell products or items depicting any registered PIAA trademarks without prior written permission from PIAA.

On a motion by Dr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of Legal Counsel, on a first reading basis, to create PIAA Public Address Protocol Policy, to read as follows:

**PUBLIC ADDRESS PROTOCOL**

The public address announcer is considered a bench official for all PIAA District and Inter-District Contests. He/she shall maintain complete neutrality at all times and, as such, shall not be a “cheerleader” for any Team. The announcer will follow the PIAA script for promotional announcements, player introduction and awards ceremonies. These scripts may be obtained from PIAA headquarters. Other announcements are limited to:

- those of an emergency nature (e.g., paging a doctor, lost child or parent, etc.);
- those of a “practical” nature (e.g., announcing that a driver has left his/her vehicle lights on);
- Starting lineups or entire lineups of both participating Teams (what is announced for the home Team must be announced for the visiting Team); and
- Announcements that the PIAA souvenir merchandise, souvenir programs and concessions are on sale in the facility.

During the Contest, the announcer should:

- Recognize players about to attempt a play (e.g., coming up to bat in baseball, punting, kicking or receiving a kick or punt in football, serving in volleyball, etc.);
- Recognize a player for making a play (e.g., “basket by Jones” in basketball, “Smith on the kill” in volleyball);
• Report a penalty as signaled by the referee/official;
• Report substitutions and time-outs;
• NOT call the “play-by-play” or provide “color commentary” as if he/she were announcing for a radio or television broadcast;
• NOT make any comment that would offer either Team an unfair advantage in the Contest; and
• NOT make any comments critical of any school, Team, player, Coach or official, nor make any other comment that has the potential to incite unsporting conduct on the part of any individual.

The announcer should be certain of the accuracy of his/her statements before making them. When in doubt, the announcer should remain silent.

PIAA FOOTBALL STEERING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

On a third and final reading basis, on a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Dr. Crumrine, it was voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Football Steering Committee, to eliminate the use of shoulder pads for out-of-season activities, except for quarterback throwing activities, effective June 1, 2017.

Motion passed: 24-yes, 6-no.

Dr. Barber moved, and Dr. Ireson seconded a motion to amend ARTICLE XVI, Table I - Schedule of All Sports, Item #8, to provide that a maximum of ten (10) Regular Season football Contests may be played at the same level (varsity, junior varsity, or otherwise) of competition. With District Committee approval, member senior high schools may play one (1) additional Regular Season varsity football Contest and one (1) Thanksgiving Day Contest or a total of two (2) additional Contests, effective the beginning of the next classification cycle.

Motion failed: 6-yes, 24-no.

On a third and final reading basis, on a motion by Dr. Iacino, seconded by Mr. Majikes, it was voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Football Steering Committee to amend ARTICLE XVI, Table I - Schedule of All Sports, Item #8, to provide that a maximum of ten (10) Regular Season football Contests may be played at the same level (varsity, junior varsity, or otherwise) of competition. With District Committee approval, member senior high schools may play one (1) additional Regular Season varsity football Contest, effective the beginning of the next classification cycle.

Motion passed: 25-yes, 5-no.
PIAA STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

On a motion by Mr. Manners, seconded by Mr. Hawkins, it was unanimously voted to table the recommendation of the Strategic Planning Committee to accept the proposed change to ARTICLE VI, TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE AND RECRUITING, Section 1, C, that a student who transfers after the student practices with a school’s sport team shall be ineligible for 21 calendar days before participating in a contest in the same sport for their new school/team.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS’ REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive Director reported on:

1. his and the Administrative Staff’s attendance at the District Annual Meetings, with all schools receiving the same talking points statewide;
2. the 2017 NFHS Summit and Legal meeting that will be held on April 18-20, 2017;
3. his attendance at the Big 10/NFHS Meeting of May 15, 2017;
4. the 98th NFHS Annual Summer Meeting that will be held in Providence, Rhode Island, from Wednesday, June 28 to Monday, July 3, 2017; and
5. 2018-2019 Board of Directors’ meeting sites.

On a motion by Mr. Seltzer, seconded by Mr. Hawkins, it was unanimously voted to accept the Executive Director’s recommendation, to approve the PIAA (Headquarters only) unaudited financial statements for the months ended March 31 and April 30, 2017.

On a motion by Mr. Walter, seconded by Dr. Iacino, it was unanimously voted to accept the Executive Director’s recommendation to approve the 2016-2017 PIAA Winter Sports Championships financial statements.

The Board of Directors received a report from Michael L. Solomon, Esq. regarding the new owner of the cell tower easement agreement, Crown Castle. The Board of Directors’ directed both the Executive Director and the Director of Legal Affairs to explore all options that are available with the new agreement, and authorized the Executive Director to enter into agreements on behalf of PIAA further to completing this transaction with Crown Castle.

ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORTS

Assistant Executive Director Grassel gave a status report on the:

1. Coaches’ Education and the Safe Schools Initiative;
2. recently completed 2017 PIAA Boys’ Team Tennis Championships;
3. soon to be completed 2017 PIAA Boys’ Singles and Doubles Tennis Championships; and
4. soon to be completed 2017 PIAA Boys’ Volleyball Championships.
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATION

Assistant Executive Director Gebhart gave a status report on the:

1. Online testing for prospective sports officials;
2. Announcement of Connie Harakal as the newly selected PIAA Swimming and Diving Statewide Rules Interpreter; and
3. 23rd Annual PIAA Officials’ Convention; which includes Train the Trainers for District and Chapter Interpreters in all sports; and the 30 Years of Service Banquet that will be held on Friday, August 4 and Saturday, August 5, 2017.

PIAA “OFFICIAL EQUIPMENT CENTER” PROVIDER ANNOUNCED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020

On a motion by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mrs. Hall, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Administrative Staff, after a comparative analysis, to award Officially Sports as the provider for the “Official Equipment Center” for PIAA-registered officials for a three (3) year period beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2020.

PIAA OFFICIALS’ COUNCIL STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

On a motion by Mr. Seltzer, seconded by Dr. Lonardi, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the Saturday, March 25, 2017 meeting of the PIAA Officials’ Council Steering Committee, as prepared and presented by the Assistant Executive Director, as set forth in Attachment 2.

ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORTS

Associate Executive Director Mertz gave a status report on the:

1. delinquent schools assessed penalties for non-submission of eligibility lists;
2. National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Leadership Summit that will be held July 17-19, 2017 in which 10 students have been chosen to represent Pennsylvania, their names and schools are listed on PIAA’s Web site;
3. soon to be completed 2017 Boys’ and Girls’ Lacrosse Championships; and
4. soon to be completed 2017 Softball Championships.

PIAA SWIMMING AND DIVING STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

On a motion by Dr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Straub, it was unanimously voted to accept the PIAA Swimming and Diving Steering Committee recommendation to guarantee one automatic qualifier per district/sub-region and the remaining slots filled with fastest times, effective next classification cycle. Also, a proposal to expand the number of relays from 24 to 32 was referred back the PIAA Swimming and Diving Steering Committee for further study.
On a motion by Mr. Hawkins, seconded by Mr. Kanaskie, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the Wednesday, April 5, 2017 meeting of the PIAA Swimming and Diving Steering Committee, as prepared and presented by the Associate Executive Director, as set forth in Attachment 3.

**PIAA COMPETITIVE SPIRIT STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT**

On a motion by Mr. Bohannon, seconded by Mrs. Wreski, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the Wednesday, April 5, 2017 meeting of the PIAA Competitive Spirit Steering Committee, as prepared and presented by the Associate Executive Director, as set forth in Attachment 4.

**CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER’S REPORTS**

Chief Operating Officer Byers gave a status report on the:

1. soon to be completed 2017 PIAA Track & Field Championships; and

2. soon to be completed 2017 PIAA Baseball Championships.

**PIAA WRESTLING STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

On a motion by Mr. Kanaskie, seconded by Dr. Barber, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Wrestling Steering Committee to refer the matter of what constitutes appropriate coaching attire to the Coaches Advisory Committee for a recommendation across all sports.

On a motion by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Mr. Kanaskie, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Wrestling Steering Committee to amend ARTICLE XVI, Season and Out-of-Season Rules and Regulations, Table of Winter Sports, Note 6, to add an item f, as follows:

6. A PIAA member school is permitted to participate in a maximum of twenty-two (22) Regular Season wrestling Contests based on the following method of counting Regular Season wrestling Contests:

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   f. At the sub-varsity level, a Team may enter up to three (3) contestants per weight class, in an individual tournament, without counting additional competition points.

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On a motion by Mr. Kanaskie, seconded by Dr. Crumrine, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Wrestling Steering Committee to study the possibility of three (3) or four (4) classifications in the sport of Team Wrestling.
On a motion by Mr. Kanaskie, seconded by Mr. Seltzer, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the Wednesday, April 5, 2017 meeting of the PIAA Wrestling Steering Committee, as prepared and presented by the Chief Operating Officer, as set forth in Attachment 5.

PIAA BASKETBALL STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

On a motion by Mr. Majikes, seconded by Mr. Manners, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Basketball Steering Committee to forward to the Budget Committee for its recommendation a proposal to provide for a tiered system of reimbursement based on ticket sales and eliminate mileage reimbursement to become effective, if approved, during the 2018-2019 season.

On a motion by Mrs. Williams, seconded by Mr. Walter, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the PIAA Basketball Steering Committee meeting of Wednesday, April 5, 2017, as prepared and presented by the Executive Director, as set forth in Attachment 6.

PIAA COMPETITION COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

On a motion by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Hartman, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Competition Steering Committee to approve numerous changes to the Transfer Waiver Request Form and to reconvene its meeting on July 18, 2017. Also, the Minutes of the PIAA Competition Committee meeting of Wednesday, May 24, 2017 were accepted, as prepared and presented by the Executive Director, as set forth in Attachment 7.

PIAA HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

On a motion by Dr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Seltzer, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendations of the Human Resources Committee from its meeting on May 24, 2017.

On a motion by Mr. Hawkins, seconded by Dr. Lonardi, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the Human Resources Committee, as prepared and presented by the Executive Director, as set forth in Attachment 8.

PIAA BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

On a third and final reading basis, on a motion by Dr. Iacino, seconded by Mr. Doverspike, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Budget Committee to adopt the PIAA Operating Activities Budget for the year ending June 30, 2017, as set forth in Attachment 9.

On a third and final reading basis, on a motion by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Cutchall, it was unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the PIAA Budget Committee to adopt the PIAA Cash Flows Budget for the year ending June 30, 2017, as set forth in Attachment 9.
On a motion by Mr. Hawkins, seconded by Dr. Lonardi, it was unanimously voted to accept the Minutes of the Budget Committee, as prepared and presented by the Executive Director, as set forth in Attachment 9.

PIAA NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

On a motion by Mr. Seltzer, seconded by Mr. Kanaskie, it was unanimously voted to accept the report of the PIAA Nominating Committee chaired by Mr. Bauer, and elect James T. Zack as PIAA President; Francis M. Majikes as PIAA Vice President; and James B. Manners, as PIAA Treasurer; for the term beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018.

WITHDRAWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

On a motion by Dr. Crumrine, seconded by Mrs. Hall, it was unanimously voted to grant the request of the following schools to withdraw from membership in PIAA, effective July 1, 2017:

- District VI - Living Water Christian Sr. Academy

APPROVAL OF MEMBER SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

On a motion by Dr. Iacino, seconded by Dr. Lonardi, it was unanimously voted to accept into membership the following school, effective July 1, 2017:

- District III - The Stone Independent High School
- District IV - Juniata Mennonite High School, conditioned upon PIAA District IV Committee approval
- District XI - Roberto Clemente Charter School, conditioned upon PIAA District XI Committee approval

REQUEST OF SCHOOLS FOR APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIPS OF A SPORT, EFFECTIVE THE BEGINNING OF THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

On a motion by Mr. Majikes, seconded by Mr. Manners, it was unanimously voted to approve the following requests for cooperative sponsorships of a sport, effective the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year:

- District II
  - James M. Coughlin and Elmer L. Meyers High Schools (girls' lacrosse)

- Districts II & IV
  - Berwick Area Middle School and Saint Columba Catholic Junior High School (baseball, competitive spirit, field hockey, football, boys' and girls' soccer, boys' and girls' track & field and wrestling), conditioned upon PIAA District II and IV Committee approval
District III
- Linville Hill Christian and Pequea Valley High Schools (baseball, field hockey, football, boys' golf, boys' and girls' soccer, softball, boys' and girls' tennis, and boys' and girls' volleyball)
- The Stone Independent and Penn Manor High Schools (boys' and girls' cross country and boys' and girls' track & field), conditioned upon PIAA District III Committee approval

Districts IV and VI
- East Juniata and Juniata High Schools (boys' and girls' cross country)
- Bucktail Area and Central Mountain High Schools (boys' and girls' cross country)

REQUEST BY PIAA DISTRICT III FOR REVISION OF ARTICLE III, SECTION 6, OF THE PIAA BY-LAWS

On a motion by Mr. Majikes, seconded by Mr. Leonard, based on a request from a PIAA District III school, it was unanimously voted to deny a motion to revise the PIAA By-Laws, ARTICLE III, Section 6, to allow students to participate in sports at their school of residence that are not offered by the schools in which the students are enrolled.

PIAA DISTRICT VII REQUEST FOR DISCUSSION REGARDING GIRLS' TEAM GOLF

On a motion by Mr. Kanaskie, seconded by Mr. Seltzer, it was unanimously voted, based on a request from PIAA District VII, and after discussion, to permit Girls’ Team Golf up to 5 Team participants with the best 3 scores counting in PIAA Girls’ Team Golf Championships, effective July 1, 2017.

UPDATE OF ERIE SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUEST FOR CONSOLIDATION OF SPORTS TEAMS

On a motion by Dr. Iacino, seconded by Mr. Gavlik, after receiving an updated report from District X regarding the Erie School District’s request for consolidation of sports teams due to the consolidation of three (3) high schools into one (1) high school, it was unanimously voted to reclassify that school’s sports teams based upon its enrollment numbers for the 2017-2018 school year.

PSADA DELEGATE ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Walter submitted from the PSADA Delegate Assembly and it was noted that:

- PIAA will continue the study of three (3) classification in track & field;
- PIAA has implemented District Committee review of repeated violators for unsportsmanlike conduct in soccer;
- PIAA Board of Directors rejected the proposed adoption of FIFA rules (diagonal system) for postseason play and contests that have three (3) officials;
- the proposed language to amend the transfer rule was referred to the Competition Committee; and
- PIAA Board of Directors rejected the proposal of an online option to meet the Rules Interpretation requirement deadline without the $75 fee.
REQUEST FROM PIAA DISTRICT I REGARDING TRACK & FIELD UNIFORM RULE

On a motion by Dr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Heinauer, it was unanimously voted to refer to the PIAA Track and Field Steering Committee a proposal to review the NFHS Track & Field uniform rule, specifically the logo rule.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Majikes, seconded by Mr. Seltzer, it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting of the PIAA Board of Directors at 7:05 p.m., Wednesday, May 24, 2017.

NEXT PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING: 12:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M., TUESDAY, JULY 18 AND 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2017, AT THE NITTANY LION INN, STATE COLLEGE, PA.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Robert A. Lombardi
Executive Director