SUMMARY OF PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ ACTIONS FROM THE
TELECONFERENCE MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 20, 2020

1. Approved the Minutes of the teleconference meetings of March 30, 2020 and April 9, 2020 of the Board of Directors.

2. Held an executive session to discuss active litigation.

3. Approved proposed revised definitions in the Glossary section of the PIAA By-Laws, on a second reading basis, for the following terms:

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL, MAGNET SCHOOL and TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL

4. Approved, on a third and final reading basis, a motion to amend language to the Corrections to School’s Enrollment Report and Correction of Enrollment Report Errors to modernize the language, effective immediately.

5. Removed from being tabled and, on a second reading basis, approved a proposal to add supplemental penalties for behaviors that result in ejection of a player, coach, team personnel and/or spectators for unsportsmanlike behavior, and to extend the officials jurisdiction to the premises of the competition and for such time that the officials are present for purposes of enforcement of this rule.

6. Accepted a report, recommendations and update from the Executive Director on the following:
   - The results of balloting by member schools approving an amendment to the PIAA Constitution; Article IX, District Committees, Section 1. Composition;
   - Upon recommendation of the Football Steering Committee, the Board approved a proposal, on a first reading basis, to allow football Teams, upon mutual agreement and for sub-varsity Contests only, to modify timing and playing rules, with specific language as to the extent of permitted modification to be further specified;
   - Accepted information regarding changes to the 101st NFHS Annual Summer Conference, which will now be held as a virtual meeting on, June 29-July 1, 2020;
   - Approved the 2020-2021 Board of Directors’ meeting schedule;
   - Approved the Requests for Proposal (RFP) to host 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24 PIAA Competitive Spirit, Team Wrestling, Individual Wrestling, Swimming and Diving and Basketball Championships; and
   - Considered recommendations from the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee and, consistent with said recommendations, accepted the following:
     1. Modified the NFHS Field Hockey Rule regarding eye protection to allow for additional eye protection for players;
     2. Agreed not to change the timing of when CIPPEs are required for students for the upcoming school year; and
     3. Approved a request to the NFHS Wrestling Committee to approve a pilot study on allowing wrestlers to have facial hair when wrestling.

7. Accepted the Assistant Executive Director’s report on the:
   - PIAA Newsletter; and
   - Recommendations from the Basketball Steering Committee and approved a proposal to change the PIAA Basketball Adoption Rule of a running clock, by reducing the enforcement point from a 40 point differential to a 30 point differential.

8. Accepted the Assistant Executive Director’s report on the following:
   - The PIAA Annual Officials’ Convention will be cancelled this year due to COVID-19;
   - FBI clearance dates for officials will not expire until December 31, 2020;
   - On a third and final reading basis, the Board accepted the PIAA Golf Steering Committee’s proposal to adopt additional language regarding girls playing on boys’ golf Teams which approximate 85% of the total yardage of the course that the boys play. For post-season individual events, girls playing in the boys’ individual competition must play from the same yardage as the boys; and
   - Accepted the proposal from “Officially Sports” to be the Officials’ Equipment supplier for the next 3 years.
9. Accepted a proposal from the Officials’ Representatives to credit all Spring Sport Officials with $20.00 for their 2021-22 registration fees.

10. Heard four appeal hearings of the Executive Director’s decisions from schools challenging moving up a classification pursuant to application of the Competition Formula. The Board denied all four appeals.

11. Accepted the Associate Executive Director’s report on the:
   - The NFHS Student Leadership Summit - July 20-22, 2020, which will be held as a virtual meeting;
   - Recommendations of the Competitive Spirit Steering Committee and accepted the following:
     1. Adopted the Proposed Number of Qualifiers by District for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 Competitive Spirit Championships;
     2. Adopted the establishment of small varsity (1-15 members) and large varsity (16 or more members) for 2A and 3A squads; and
   - Recommendation of the Swimming and Diving Steering Committee and accepted the following:
     1. Adopted the Proposed Number of Qualifiers by District and Region for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 Swimming and Diving Championships.

12. Accepted the Chief Operating Officer’s report on the:
   - Recommendations of the Wrestling Steering Committee and accepted the following:
     1. Modified the Team and Individual Championships qualifiers to combine District 1 & 12 schools into a Region;
     2. Modified the number of qualifiers to the NW AA Regional Championships;
     3. Modified the number of qualifiers to the SW AA Regional Championships;
     4. Modified the number of qualifiers to the NE AA Regional Championships;
     5. Modified NFHS Wrestling Rule 4-5-3 to provide that a wrestler is eligible for the weight class their weight makes them eligible, plus the next highest weight, subject to their decent plan;
     6. On a first reading, referred to the Sports’ Medicine Committee a proposed modification of NFHS Wrestling Rule 4-4-1 to reduce the weight classes from 14 weight classes to 13 weight classes;
     7. Agreed to submit a request to the NFHS for a pilot study regarding the facial hair rule;
     8. Recommended a study to eliminate the two-pound growth allowance; and
   - Accepted a second reading of Maximum Number of Entries and Brackets for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 classification cycle.

13. Approved the results of the election for the 2020-2021 PIAA Board of Directors; President, Francis M. Majikes, Vice-President, Robert F. Hartman, Jr and Treasurer, Paul Leonard.

14. Approved the following requests for cooperative sponsorship of a sport, effective beginning of 2020-2021 school year (will not affect classification size of teams):

   **District V** – Everett Area and Southern Fulton High Schools - football
   **District V** – Everett Area and Southern Fulton Junior High Schools - football
   **District VII** – Avonworth and Northgate High Schools - boys’ soccer
   **District VII** – Bethlehem Center and California Area High Schools - wrestling
   **District VII** – Brownsville Area and California Area High Schools - girls’ tennis
   **District VII** – Moon Area and Cornell High Schools - boys’ golf, boys’ volleyball, girls’ gymnastics, girls’ soccer, boys’ and girls’ cross country, boys’ and girls’ lacrosse and boys’ and girls’ tennis
   **District VII** – Moon Area, Cornell and Propel Montour- girls’ golf
   **District X**- Greenville and Jamestown Area High Schools- wrestling
15. Approval of Termination Request(s) Concerning Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport, effective beginning of **2020-2021** school year.

- **District III & V** – James Buchanan Middle and Southern Fulton Junior High Schools - football
- **District VII** – Bentworth and California Area Middle School - baseball
- **District XII** – KIPP Dubois Collegiate Academy and Belmont Charter High School - football

16. Approval of Member School Application(s), effective **July 1, 2020**:

- **District I** - Martin Saints Classical High School
- **District III** - Lancaster Country Day Junior High School

17. Denied a request by Muhlenberg High School to change classification for girls’ and boys’ basketball.

18. Discussed the Governors’ re-opening orders of the red, yellow and green phases.

19. Announced that the NFHS/ NCAA summer basketball scholastic events are cancelled for 2020.

**NEXT PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING: MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2020 AT 2:30 PM VIA ZOOM MEETING**