

**SUMMARY OF PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ACTIONS FROM THE  
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2023**

1. Approved the Minutes of the October 11, 2023 meeting of the Board of Directors;
2. Held an executive session to discuss personnel matters and active litigation;
3. Addressed the following recommendations, reports, and updates from the Executive Director:
  - The Board unanimously approved the unaudited financial statements for months ending June 30, 2023, July 31, 2023 and August 31, 2023;
  - The Board unanimously approved the minutes from the Human Resources Committee meeting of November 15, 2023,
  - The Board held a discussion on technology issues related to PIAA's various systems, hardware and software platforms;
  - The Board approved to correct submission of enrollment numbers from 4 (four) schools based on the re-consideration documents submitted;
  - The Board denied the request for enrollment number corrections from 2 (two) schools based on the re-consideration documents submitted;
  - The Board unanimously approved the upgrade in classification by sport and gender from specific schools;
  - The Board unanimously approved the 2024-25 & 2025-26 PIAA Classification Parameters;
  - The Board confirmed that International Students and Foreign Exchange Students are considered transfer students for the purposes of the Competition Formula;
  - The Board received information on the interview process for the positions in the Officials' Department and the Assistant Executive Director position;
  - The Board unanimously approved on **suspended protocol and effective immediately**, to certain additions and revisions to the Transfer Waiver Request Form;
  - The Board unanimously approved the minutes from the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held December, 6, 2023;
  - The Board approved, on a **third and final reading basis, effective immediately**, a motion to add language to ARTICLE VI, TRANSFERS, RESIDENCE and RECRUITING, Section 11.B.,#11, of the Bylaws, to clarify prohibition on school athletic personnel being in contact with individuals from schools other than their own, and to consider adding prohibitions relative to communications via social media or other electronic communication;
  - The Board unanimously approved, on a **second reading basis**, a motion to add language to ARTICLE VIII, PERIOD OF PARTICIPATION, Section 2., of the Bylaws, to clarify when a student is considered as representing the student's school during a particular season in a sport, with staff to add language to clarify for January meeting;
  - The Board unanimously approved , on a **second reading basis**, a motion to add a new definition to the Glossary in the Bylaws for the term "Season";
  - The Board unanimously approved, on a **first reading basis**, to consider changes to Article VI, Transfer, Residence and Recruiting, Preamble, Restrictions on Postseason Eligibility, of the Bylaws, to clarify eligibility of students who transfer after participating in a sport in their 10th grade year.

- The Board unanimously approved, on a **first reading basis**, to consider changes to Article VI, Transfer Residence and Recruiting, Preamble , Section I. H., Transfer from Court Assigned School, of the Bylaws, to clarify eligibility in all sports participated in within one year prior of transfer.
- The Board held a discussion regarding adding a definition for the term “participate” in the Glossary of the Bylaws, with staff to prepare language for the January Meeting.

4. Accepted the following reports from the Assistant Executive Director:

- The Board received information on Coach of the Year;
- The Board received information on Inter-District online passes;
- The Board received a review of the Girls’ Tennis Championships held October 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> for Teams and November 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> for Singles & Doubles, at the Hershey Racquet Club; and,
- The Board received a review of the Girls’ Volleyball Championships held November 18<sup>th</sup> at Cumberland Valley High School.

5. Accepted the following reports from the Assistant Executive Director:

- The Board received information on the Officials’ Appreciation Week for Fall Sports held October 1-7; the next one will be held for Winter Sports January 7-13, 2024;
- The Board received an update on the odd numbered districts Officials Representatives Elections, voting going on currently and will end December 31, 2023;;
- The Board received an update on the Football Championships to be held December 7, 8 & 9 at Cumberland Valley High School; and,
- The Board received a report on the number of coaches and contestants ejected from the regular season and postseason contests from the 2023 fall season sports;.

6. Accepted the following reports from the Associate Executive Director:

- The Board received a review of the Field Hockey Championships held November 18<sup>th</sup> at Cumberland Valley High School;
- The Board received an update on co-op sponsorship of a Sport;
- The Board received an update relative to the definition of Feeder-Schools; and,

7. Accepted the following reports from the Chief Operating Officer:

- The Board unanimously approved the minutes and recommendations from the Wrestling Steering Committee from its meeting of November 14, 2023, and took the following actions;
  - The Board unanimously approved to adopt the proposed Regional Sites; and,
  - The Board unanimously approved to adopt the Regional qualifiers as amended;
- The Board received a review of the Golf Championships held October 16, 17 & 18 at Penn State University;
- The Board received a review of the Cross Country Championships held November 4<sup>th</sup> in Hershey, at the Parkview Cross Country Course;

- The Board received a review of the Soccer Championships held November 17 & 18 at Cumberland Valley High School;
- The Board received an update on the presentation held on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> with Team Advance on NIL.

**8.** Approved the following Termination Request(s) Concerning Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport, effective beginning of **2023-2024** school year:

**District I** – Devon Prep and Delaware County Christian High Schools to terminate boys' lacrosse

**District III & V**– James Buchanan and Fannett Metal High Schools to terminate boys' and girls' swimming and diving (**modification**)

**District III & V** – James Buchanan and McConnellsburg High Schools to terminate football

**District III** – Lancaster Catholic and Janus High Schools to terminate baseball and softball

**District III** – Warwick, Linden Hall, Lititz Charter and Veritas Academy to terminate girls' soccer, field hockey and softball

**District III** – Warwick, Lititz Christian and Veritas Academy to terminate football

**District III** – Warwick High and Veritas Academy to terminate baseball

**District III** – Linville Hill Christian and Pequea Valley High Schools to terminate girls' volleyball

**District III** – Annville Cleona and New Covenant Christian to terminate baseball

**District III** – Twin Valley and Conestoga Christian to terminate boys' wrestling

**District V** – Rockwood Area Junior High and Turkeyfoot Valley Middle to terminate boys' and girls' track and field and girls' volleyball

**District VII** – Armstrong Senior and West Shamokin High Schools to terminate boys wrestling (**modification**)

**District VII** – Albert Gallatin and West Greene High Schools to terminate boys' soccer

**District VII** -Beaver Area and Western Beaver High Schools to terminate boys wrestling

**District VII** – Ellwood City Lincoln and Riverside High Schools to terminate boys' wrestling

**District VII** – North Catholic and Eden Christian Academy to terminate football

**District VII** – Oakland Catholic and Winchester Thurston High Schools to terminate softball

**District VII** – South Allegheny and Serra Catholic High to terminate boys' and girls' swimming and diving

**District XI** – Nativity BVM and Minersville High Schools to terminate boys' and girls' golf

**District XII** – Jules E. Mastbaum and Liguori Academy to terminate baseball

**District XII** – Murrell Dobbins CTE G and A. Philip Randolph Career to terminate boys' and girls' golf

**District XII** – Parkway West and West Philadelphia High Schools to terminate boys' volleyball

**District XII** – West Philadelphia and William L. Sayre High Schools to terminate girls' tennis and boys' soccer

**District XII** – Academy at Palumbo and Science Leadership Academy to terminate wrestling

9. Approved the following Termination Request(s) Concerning Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport, effective beginning of **2024-2025** school year:

**District II** – Montrose and Mountain View High Schools to terminate football (**modification**)

**District III** – Exeter Township and Antietam High Schools to terminate football

**District III** – Greenwood and Halifax Area High Schools to terminate boys' and girls' track and field (**modification**)

**District III** - Susquenita and Newport High Schools to terminate girls; soccer

**District IV & IX** – Cowanesque Valley, Galetton and Northern Potter to terminate football (**modification**)

**District V** – Conemaugh Twp. and Johnstown Christian High Schools to terminate football (**modification**)

**District V** – Chestnut Ridge HS and Foundations Christian Academy to terminate baseball

**District VII** – Hopewell and Aliquippa High Schools to terminate wrestling

**District VII** – Our Lady of the Sacred and Avonworth High to terminate boys' volleyball

**District VII** – Avonworth and Northgate High Schools to terminate boys' soccer

**District VII** – South Fayette and Fort Cherry High Schools to terminate boys' and girls' swimming and diving

**District X** – The Learning Center and Meadville Area Middle to terminate girls' volleyball

**District X** – Lakeview and Commodore Perry High Schools to terminate football

**District XI** – Panther Valley and Marian Catholic High Schools to terminate girls wrestling

**District XI** – Salisbury and Allentown Central Catholic High Schools to terminate boys wrestling

**District XI** – Salisbury HS and Lehigh Christian Academy to terminate baseball

10. Approved the following requests for Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport, effective beginning of **2023-2024** school year (the change **will** affect classification size of Team(s):

**District I** – Central Bucks West and Central Bucks East (girls wrestling)

**District III** – Red Land and Cedar Cliff High Schools (girls' wrestling)

11. Approved the following requests for Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport, effective beginning of **2023-2024** school year (the change **will not** affect classification size of Team(s):

**District III** – Allen and New Cumberland Middle Schools (girls wrestling)

**District III** – Upper Dauphin Area and Millersburg Area High Schools (girls' wrestling)

**District IV** – Athens Area, Towanda Area and Troy High Schools (girls' wrestling)

**District IV** – Williamsport Area and South Williamsport High Schools (girls wrestling)

**District V** – Meyersdale Area HS to add Rockwood Area HS (boys' and girls' track and field) (**modification**)

**District V** – Meyersdale Area MS to add Rockwood Area MS (boys' and girls' track and field) (**modification**)

**District VI** - Central Cambria and Conemaugh Valley High Schools (boys' and girls' wrestling)

**District VI & IV** – Central Mountain and Bucktail High Schools (girls' wrestling) (**ratification**)

**District VI** – Philipsburg Osceola, Glendale and Huntingdon High Schools (girls' wrestling)

**District VII** – Derry Area HS and Jeannette Jr./Sr. High (boys' and girls' swimming and diving) (**ratification**)

**District VII** – Elwood City Lincoln and Beaver Falls High Schools (girls' wrestling)

**District VII** – Fort Cherry and Avella Area High Schools (girls' wrestling)

**District VII** – Highlands and Saint Joseph High Schools (boys' and girls' swimming and diving) (**ratification**)

**District VII** – Lincoln Park Performing and Western Beaver High Schools (boys' wrestling) (**ratification**)

**District VIII** – Brashear and Perry High Schools (boys' and girls' wrestling)

**District VIII** – Obama, Sci-Tech and UPrep High Schools (girls' wrestling)

**District X** – Hickory and Mercer Area High Schools (girls' wrestling)

**District XI** – Notre Dame Green and Moravian Academy (boys' volleyball)

**District XII** – Central High School and Science Leadership Academy (boys' wrestling) (**ratification**)

**District XII** – GW Carver and William W. Bodine High Schools (boys' and girls' bowling)

**District XII**- Overbrook and John Bartram (boys' wrestling) (**modification**)

**District XII** – West Philadelphia, Parkway West, Paul Robeson, William Sayre (girls' tennis)

**District XII** – West Philadelphia and Parkway West High Schools (boys' soccer) (**modification**)

**District XII** – Julia R. Masterman High Schools and Science Leadership Academy (girls' tennis and softball) (**modification**)

**District XII** – John Bartram and Motivation High Schools (boys' and girls' cross country and boys' and girls' track and field)

**District XII** – Science Leadership Beeber and Paul Robeson (boys' and girls' swimming and diving) (**modification**)

12. Approved the following requests for Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport, effective beginning of **2024-2025** school year (the change **will not** affect classification size of Team(s):

**District III** – Greenwood, Halifax and Newport Middle Schools (boys' and girls' track and field) (**modification**)

**District VII** – Mars Area and North Catholic High Schools (boys' and girls' swimming and Diving)

**District VII** – Our Lady of The Sacred Heart, Eden Christian and Propel Montour High Schools (football)

**District VII & X** – Wilmington Area and Neshannock High Schools (girls' soccer)

**District X** – North East and Saint Gregory Middle Schools (boys' and girls' basketball, soccer, track and field, girls' volleyball and boys' wrestling)

**District XI** – Shenandoah Valley and Mahanoy Area High Schools (girls' soccer)

**District XII** – Martin Luther King HS, Hill Freedman, Lankenau and Parkway NW (field hockey)

**District XII** – Martin Luterh King HS, Lankenau and Parkway NW (softball)

**District XII** – Vaux Big Picture and Strawberry Mansion High Schools (baseball)

**District XII** – West Philadelphia HS, Parkway West, Paul Robeson and William Sayre (field hockey)

13. Approved the following Withdrawal of Membership(s), effective July 1, 2023;

**District X** – George Junior Republic High School

**District X** – Creative Learning Christian High School

**District X**- Creative Learning Christian Middle School

14. Approved the following Withdrawal of Membership(s), effective July 1, 2024;

**District X**- Conneaut Lake Middle School

**District X** – Conneaut Valley Middle School

15. Approved the following Member School Application(s), effective July 1, 2023;

**District VII** – Summit Academy Middle School

**District VII** – LIFE Male Steam Academy Middle

16. Approved the following Member School Application(s), effective July 1, 2024;

**District X** - Conneaut Area Middle School

**District XI** – Notre Dame Middle School

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. The Board held a discussion on the state of Athletic Training services in the State.
2. The Board unanimously approved to change the start of season date on the Winter Season Calendar for the 2024-25 Season to November 15th.
3. The Board held a discussion on the possibility of PDE using member schools PIMS Information for classification numbers.

**NEXT PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING:  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024  
WINTER IN-SERVICE TO BEGIN AT 11:00 A.M.  
WITH THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING TO FOLLOW  
IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE PIAA OFFICE**