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**MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2020 MEETING
@ SCRANTON HIGH SCHOOL**

Meeting was convened at 6:15 p.m. by Chairman Majikes

ITEM 1 Chairman Majikes called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Absent, but accounted for: Jim Costello, Hal Gabriel, Tim Hopkins, Pat Patte

Guests Included: Atty. Don Rogers, PIAA District II Solicitor

The meeting became with a moment of silence in honor of Cliff Jones, Athletic Director at Wilkes-Barre Area, who recently passed.

ITEM 2 A motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Mary Ruth Tanner, to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2020 meeting. **All Ayes**

ITEM 3 In Pat Patte, District II Treasurer, absence, Chairman Majikes presented the Treasurer's Report as of July 31, 2020. Our total Certificates of Deposit are \$12, 855.49. The District also has a Money Market Account totaling \$67, 075.81, and Checking Account totaling \$173,475.17. The total current balance as of July 31, 2020 stands at \$253,406.47.

A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Jay Starnes, to approve the Treasurer's Report of July 31, 2020 as presented. **All Ayes**

Chairman Majikes also presented the Treasurer's Report as of August 31, 2020. Our total Certificates of Deposit are \$12,859.30. The District also has a Money Market Account totaling \$67,080.66, and Checking Account totaling \$174,628.96. The total current balance as of August 31, 2020 stands at \$254,568.92.

A motion was made by Jon Pollard, seconded by John Haas, to approve the Treasurer's Report as of August 31, 2020. **All Ayes**

ITEM 4 SPORTS REPORTS

- **Cross Country (Bill King):** Bill King informed the committee that he will be meeting shortly with the Cross Country Committee in order to formulate the Championship Format for this year's Cross Country Championships. As in all sports, adjustments may be required due to the pandemic.
- **Football (Mike Ognosky):** Mike Ognosky discussed the recent PIAA Football Steering Committee and the potential for adjustments in the PIAA State Championship schedule. Chairman Majikes informed the Committee that this could be the case across all Fall State Championships. The PIAA will be releasing that information in the near future.
- **Golf (Joe Farrell):** Golf Chairperson Joe Farrell reviewed the proposed Golf Championship format. The format for the Championships has been revised and information will be forthcoming shortly.
- **Soccer (Brian Durkin):** Soccer Chairperson Brian Durkin informed the committee that the Soccer Committee is awaiting direction from the state regarding potential changes in the upcoming state championships schedule.
- **Tennis (John Coyle):** The Tennis format will have alterations due to the pandemic and will be available shortly to the member schools.
- **Officials (Bill Schoen & Maureen Williams):** Bill Schoen reminded schools and officials to refer to the PIAA's guidance on "Return to Competition" protocols for all fall sports which was made available to all schools and officials in late July and is posted to the District II website under the "Pandemic Information" story on the front page.

Following the presentation of Fall Sports Reports, a discussion was held regarding the current approval process used by the Committee for the various format presentations. Sport Chairpersons bring the format to the entire committee for approval at a regular committee meeting and it is then distributed to the member schools. In our current situation regarding the potential for changes at the state championship level, this process is not possible or effective. Following discussion, a motion was made by Jay Starnes, seconded by Bill Schoen, that for this Fall Sports Championship Format approval, Sports Chairpersons will present their format to the District Chairman and officers for approval and it will then be provided to the member schools. **All Ayes**

ITEM 5 The following motions were made granting the following students **IMMEDIATE ELIGIBILITY IN BOTH THE REGULAR SEASON AND POST-SEASON** in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section VI of the PIAA By-Laws, Principal to Principal Sign off:

- A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Jon Pollard, to approve the immediate eligibility of Noah Dunbar, Wyoming Valley West to Dallas. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made Brian Durkin, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the immediate eligibility of Marc Esteras, Valley View to Mid Valley. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the immediate eligibility of Grace Calles, Pocono Mountain West to North Pocono. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Mary Ruth Tanner, seconded by Bill Schoen, to approve the immediate eligibility of Raymond Aiello, Pocono Mountain East to Wallenpaupack. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Joseph Farrell, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the immediate eligibility of Duncan Keizer, East Stroudsburg Notre Dame to Scranton Prep. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Jon Pollard, seconded by John Haas, to approve the immediate eligibility of Zoe McNeill, Wyoming Valley West to Crestwood. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Dave Novrocki, seconded by Ben Tolerico, to approve the immediate eligibility of Jeysson Reales, Allentown Dieruff to Wallenpaupack. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Brian Durkin, to approve the immediate eligibility of Gianni Argenta, Scranton Prep to Wyoming Seminary. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by John Haas, seconded by Jay Starnes, to approve the immediate eligibility of Jack Higgins, Honesdale to Wyoming Seminary. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Maureen Williams to approve the immediate eligibility of Vincent Tanana, Mid Valley to Holy Cross **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Bill King, seconded by John Haas, to approve the immediate eligibility of Michael Mirailh-DeVore, Western Wayne to Mid Valley. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Brian Durkin, seconded by Fred Barletta, to approve the immediate eligibility of Jayden Ranson, Wyoming Valley West to Tunkhannock. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Bill Schoen, to approve the immediate eligibility of Mara Wall, Mahanoy Area to Mid Valley. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Joseph Farrell, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the immediate eligibility of Jacob Mitchell, Western Wayne to Mid Valley. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Jon Pollard, seconded by John Haas, to approve the immediate eligibility of Ethan Evanitus, Nanticoke to Northwest Area **All Ayes**

ITEM 6

The following motions were made granting the following students **ELIGIBILITY IN THE REGULAR SEASON BUT NOT IN THE POST-SEASON** in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section VI, Subsection C, In Season Transfers, Section 2, Eligibility for Post Season Championship Tournaments, of the PIAA By-Laws, Principal to Principal Sign off:

- A motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Joseph Farrell, to approve the in season eligibility of Nah-Sye Garner, Wyoming Valley West to Wilkes-Barre Area. Nah-Sye will not be eligible for post season competition in the sport of Football. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Brian Durkin, seconded by Chad Vinansky, to approve the in season eligibility of Athina Filipos, Allentown Central Catholic to Wyoming Seminary. Athina will not be eligible for post season competition in the sport of Field Hockey. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by John Haas, seconded by Jon Pollard, to approve the eligibility of Roberto Martinez, Mid Valley to Old Forge. Roberto will not be eligible in the post season in the sport of Football. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Joseph Farrell, to approve the in season eligibility of Nicholas Cabets, North Pocono to Holy Cross. Nicholas will not be eligible for post season competition in the sport of Football. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Chad Vinansky, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the in season eligibility of Jessie Soppick, Methacton to Wallenpaupack. Jessie will not be eligible for post season competition in the sport of Football. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Bill King, seconded by Mary Ruth Tanner, to approve the in season eligibility of John Charpentier, Pocono Mountain East to Honesdale. John will not be eligible for post season competition in the sport of Football. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Eric Emmerich, seconded by Brian Durkin, to approve the in season eligibility of Benjamin Ziegler, Wyoming Seminary to Crestwood. Benjamin will not be eligible for post season competition in the sport of Soccer. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Maureen Williams, seconded by Ron Collins, to approve the in season eligibility of Michael McCann, Wyoming Valley West to Dallas. Michael will not be eligible for post season competition in the sport of Cross Country. **All Ayes**

- ITEM 7 The following Foreign Exchange eligibility requests were acted upon by the District II Committee:
- A motion was made by Chad Vinansky, seconded by Brian Durkin, to approve the immediate eligibility of Irene Sayaso, Spain to Wallenpaupack, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students. **All Ayes**
- ITEM 8 Chairman Majikes reviewed with the District Committee two publications that the PIAA has provided to all member schools. The first is entitled the “2020-2021 Supplemental Acknowledgement, Waiver, and Release: Covid 19”. Member schools are encouraged to utilize this document with all of their student-athletes and parents. The document provides a review of Covid 19 procedures and a waiver for all school districts. The second document is an informational document for all member schools that can be utilized at the entrances to all athletic events.
- ITEM 9 Chairman Majikes also updated the committee on House Bill 2787 giving local schools the ability to make decisions upon spectators attending their school events. The bill has passed both the State Senate and State House and is now in the governor’s hands. The current 25 (indoors) and 250 (outdoors) are still in effect pending the outcome of this legislation.
- ITEM 10 Chairman Majikes provided the committee with the updated PIAA start dates for Fall 2020. This information is also posted to the front of the District II webpage on the “PIAA Announces Plans for Fall Season” story.
- ITEM 11 Chairman Majikes distributed the up to date LIAA and WVC Athletic Directory Information for 2020-2021.
- ITEM 11 A motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Chad Vinansky, to adjourn the meeting. **All Ayes**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

NEXT MEETING – TIME AND SITE TO BE DETERMINED

Submitted by

Mike Ognosky

District II Secretary