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**MINUTES OF AUGUST 22, 2019 MEETING
@ WILKES-BARRE AREA CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

Meeting was convened at 4:15 p.m. by Chairman Majikes

- ITEM 1 Chairman Majikes called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.
Absent, but accounted for: William King, John Coyle, Brian Durkin, Jay Starnes, Mary Ruth Tanner, Ben Tolerico, and Chad Vinansky
- ITEM 2 A motion was made by Maureen Williams, seconded by Dave Novrocki, to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2019 meeting. **All Ayes**
- ITEM 3 Pat Patte presented the monthly treasurer's report. As of July 31, 2019 the total fund balance was at \$226,657.37. This includes a total checking account total of \$146,881.52; a money market account total of \$66,965.24; and, a Certificate of Deposit of \$12,810.61. Following the presentation of the report a motion was made by Eric Emmerich, seconded by Tim Hopkins, to approve the report as presented. **All Ayes**
- ITEM 4 SPORTS REPORTS:
- **Tennis (John Coyle):** Mike Ognosky presented the tennis format for the 2019 Girls' Tennis Championships for approval. He emphasized that the fee for individual participation has been increased from \$7 to \$8 in line with the Board action taken in September, 2018 calling for an increase in the individual participation fee in all sports requiring that fee. Following discussion, a motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the format as presented. **All Ayes**
The format will be distributed to all Athletic Directors and placed on the website.
 - **Volleyball (Maureen Williams):** Maureen Williams presented the girls' volleyball format for the 2019 Girls' Volleyball Championships for approval. Following discussion, a motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Ron Collins, to approve the format as presented.
The format will be distributed to all Athletic Directors and placed on the website.

ITEM 5 Chairman Majikes revisited the “School Shares” discussion that was held at the July 25, 2019 meeting. Pat Patte provided the committee members present with additional information regarding our most recent budget history. In 2017-2018, we distributed approximately \$34,000 to member schools in shares from the basketball and football playoffs. In 2018-2019, we distributed approximately \$32,000 in shares from the basketball and football playoffs. In 2017-2018, our total budget deficit was \$26,000; while in 2018-2019 our total budget deficit was approximately \$25,000. Also, Pat reported that 10 of the 12 PIAA Districts either wait to the end of the fiscal year to decide on the distribution of school shares or they do not offer school shares at all. The rationale for that being that the District utilizes those shares to offset the cost of the non-revenue producing District Championships held in a number of other sports offered to their student-athletes. Chairman Majikes suggested that we continue to discuss this issue at upcoming meetings with a final decision on the school share question to be made this Fall.

ITEM 6 Chairman Majikes also revisited the school request regarding the scheduling of the District Track Championships in order to more closely follow the current scheduling format utilized at the State meet and in some other adjoining District Championship meets. A five member committee has been established – John Coyle, Bill King, Brian Durkin, Fred Barletta, and John Haas – to develop a recommendation for the Committee. The goal is to act on that recommendation and make any necessary scheduling adjustments in the next two year cycle.

ITEM 7 Chairman Majikes informed the committee that the Officials’ Representatives, Bill Schoen and Maureen Williams, will join him in meeting with the District II Swim Officials in order to address the payment fees for officials working in the District Swim Championships.

ITEM 8 Chairman Majikes informed committee members present that an informational meeting was held for all the Athletic Directors in District II at the Wilkes-Barre Area Career and Technology Center at which time a review of the newly formatted district website was presented. We will be taking some time at the September committee meeting to review the site with our District II Committee members as well.

ITEM 9 A motion was made by Maureen Williams, seconded by John Haas, that the District II Committee maintain the following officers for the 2019-2020 school year –

Chairman	Frank Majikes
Vice Chairman	William King
Treasurer	Pat Patte
Secretary/Web Master	Mike Ognosky

Following that motion, a motion was made by Eric Emmerich, seconded by Fred Barletta, that the nominations be closed and the current slate of officers be maintained for 2019-2020. **All Ayes**

ITEM 10 A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve Dr, Jon Pollard, Principal of Wyoming Area, as a member of the District II Committee in order to fill the current vacancy requiring a Principal from a Wyoming Valley Conference High School. **All Ayes**

ITEM 11 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 Bill Schoen, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the immediate eligibility of Saquan Portee, Wyoming Valley West to Wilkes-Barre Area, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws.. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the immediate eligibility of Kai Gomeau, Amherst Middle School to Dallas, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by John Haas, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the immediate eligibility of Zachary Benzie, Scranton to North Pocono, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by John Haas, seconded by Fred Barletta, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the immediate eligibility of Kolby Franklin, St. Joseph's Academy to Wyoming Seminary, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Dave Novrocki, to approve the immediate eligibility of Joshua Cotter, Scranton to Pittston Area, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by James Costello, to approve the immediate eligibility of Marcus Kriton, Wyoming Valley West to Western Wayne, in accordance with

Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**

- A motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the immediate eligibility of Ethan Stoltz, Holy Redeemer to Crestwood, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Dave Novrocki, to approve the immediate eligibility of Seth Raymer, Central Columbia to Nanticoke, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by Bill Schoen, to approve the immediate eligibility of Amy Kadonoff, Stroudsburg to Abington Heights, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Maureen Williams, seconded by Ron Collins, to approve the immediate eligibility of Angelina Lauver, Wyoming Valley West to Nanticoke, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Eric Emmerich, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the immediate eligibility of Jason Lauver, Wyoming Valley West to Nanticoke, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Tim Hopkins, to approve the immediate eligibility of Quinn Hamilton, Stonington (Conn) to Abington Heights, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Dave Novrocki, seconded by James Costello, to approve the immediate eligibility of James Gallagher, Wyoming Area to Scranton Prep, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by John Haas, to approve the immediate eligibility of Grant Hamilton, Stonington (Conn) to Abington Heights, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the immediate eligibility of Dereck Rexach Rivera, from Cruz HS (Bronx, NY) to Mid Valley, in accordance with Article

VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**

- A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the immediate eligibility of Nathan Nicholas, from Scranton Prep to Mid Valley, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by Dave Novrocki, to approve the immediate eligibility of Eric Mitchell, from Riverside to Valley View, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Dave Novrocki, to approve the immediate eligibility of Ashlyn McNalley, from Riverside to Holy Cross, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by John Haas, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the immediate eligibility of Hunter Conklin, from Windsor (NY) to Susquehanna, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the immediate eligibility of Gavin Randolph, from Wellsville to Western Wayne, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Maureen Williams, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the immediate eligibility of Grace Adams, from Covington Latin to Wyoming Seminary, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Eric Emmerich, seconded by John Haas, to approve the immediate eligibility of Isabella Dunham, from Sullivan County to Wyoming Seminary, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Hal Gabriel, to approve the immediate eligibility of Vincenzo Giambra, Canal Winchester to Wyoming Area, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by John Haas, to approve the immediate eligibility of William Otto Smith, MMI Prep to Hazleton Area, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers,

Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**

- A motion was made by Dave Novrocki, seconded by Bill Schoen, to approve the immediate eligibility of Jose Rodriguez, Easton to Hazleton Area, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the immediate eligibility of Samuel LaPoint, Holy Family Academy to Hazleton Area, in accordance with Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting, Section 4, Principal to Principal sign off, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**

ITEM 12 The following motions were made granting the following students **ELIGIBLE 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:

- A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the in season eligibility of Justus Simpson, Holy Redeemer to Wyoming Valley West, effective immediately. Justus will not be eligible for post season competition in the sport of Basketball. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Eric Emmerich, seconded by Fred Barletta, to approve the in season eligibility of Camryn Domiano, Old Forge to Holy Cross, effective immediately. Camryn will not be eligible for post season competition in the sport of Softball. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the in season eligibility of Angel Campos, Delaware Valley to Wallenpaupack, effective immediately. Angel will not be eligible for post season competition in the sports of Football and Track and Field. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Hal Gabriel, to approve the in season eligibility of Davis Flannery, Radnor to Wyoming Seminary, following a 21 day sit out from August 15, 2019 to September 5, 2019. Davis will not be eligible for post season competition in the sport of Golf. **All Ayes**

ITEM 13 A motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the immediate eligibility of Diego Rojas, Riverside, in accordance with Article VIII, Period of Participation, Section B, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**

ITEM 14 The following motions were made granting eligibility to the following foreign exchange students:

- A motion was made by Bill Schoen, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the eligibility of Sara Lukic, Bosnia to Wayne Highlands, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the eligibility of Marcos Montoya, Spain to Wyoming Valley West, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Fred Barletta, to approve the eligibility of Ariane Rupnik, Germany to Wyoming Valley West, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the eligibility of Vito Donnarumma, Germany to Wyoming Valley West, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Dave Novrocki, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the eligibility of Leonie Heidigh, Germany to Wyoming Area, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by John Haas, seconded by Jim Costello, to approve the eligibility of Victorio Muller, Germany to Wyoming Area, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Bill Schoen, to approve the eligibility of Alejandra Ruiz, Ecuador to Tunkhannock, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by John Haas, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the eligibility of Daniel Trillo-Izquierdo, Spain to Wyoming Valley West, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Dave Novrocki, seconded by Tim Hopkins, to approve the eligibility of Jana Vickova, Czech Republic to Tunkhannock, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the eligibility of Joanna Iglesias, Poland to Dunmore, in accordance with Article VII, Foreign Exchange Students, of the PIAA By-Laws. **All Ayes**

ITEM 15

Information was distributed by Chairman Majikes received from Dr. Jack O'Malley explaining that the Bochiccio Initiative and NEIU are the recipients of a \$20,000 grant to be utilized for the purpose of instruction in AESEP Coaching Principles and Sports First Aid Workshops. Interested

schools are asked to contact Dr. Jack O'Malley at the University of Scranton.

ITEM 16 Chairman Majikes provided updated Athletic Director contact information for both Lackawanna League and Wyoming Valley Conference Athletic Directors.

ITEM 17 A motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Dave Novrocki, to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Ognosky

Mike Ognosky
District II Secretary

**NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019
SITE TO BE DETERMINED AT 4:15 P.M.**