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**MINUTES OF APRIL 20, 2022 MEETING
@ Scranton High School**

Meeting was convened at 6:45 p.m. by Chairman Majikes

- ITEM 1 Chairman Majikes called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. A moment of silence was held for John Coyle's mother, who recently passed.
- ITEM 2 Absent but accounted for: Fred Barletta, Brian Durkin, Joseph Farrell, John Haas, Tim Hopkins, Dave Novrocki, Jon Pollard, and Chad Vinansky
- ITEM 3 A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Ben Tolerico, to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2022 meeting; the February 16, 2022 meeting; and, the March 21, 2022 meeting. **All Ayes**
- ITEM 4 Pat Patte presented the monthly Treasurer's Reports for March, 2022. The March Report showed a total found balance of \$305, 906.26. The District has a checking account in the amount of \$225,887.36; a savings account of \$67,091.26 and, a Certificate of Deposit in the amount of \$12,927.64. A motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Jay Starnes, to accept the report as presented. **All Ayes**

Pat also informed the group that the final statement from the Mohegan Sun Arena Basketball Championships will be available next meeting. Also, transportation cost sheets will be sent to all committee members in time for the Annual Business Meeting.

A brief discussion was held regarding the ticket procedures for the Spring Championships. Admission tickets will be required for all championship finals in Boys & Girls Track, Baseball, Softball, Boys Volleyball and Boys & Girls Lacrosse. They will be available on the District 2 website as those events approach. The process will be exactly the same as it was for the Fall and Winter Championships.

ITEM 5 **SPORTS REPORTS**

- **Baseball (Frank Majikes):** Frank Majikes informed the group that he is currently finalizing the format for the 2022 Baseball Championships. Based on the current power rankings it appears

that only three rounds will be required. The final date for a game to be played and entered into the rankings is Friday, May 19th.

- **Wrestling (Jay Starnes):** Jay informed the committee that the Wrestling State Steering Committee has recommended the PIAA State Committee to expand the number of classifications from 2 to 4. Jay informed the group that the District II Wrestling Committee is in favor of the proposal as it should provide additional opportunities for our student athletes. .
- **Lacrosse (Tim Hopkins):** The format for this year's championships has been distributed to member schools.
- **Tennis (John Coyle):** All is set for this year's championships which will begin in the first week of May. All schools have the format and are currently sending in their entry forms for the competition.
- **Track and Field (John Coyle):** The format for this year has been distributed. A new schedule has been devised that mirrors that of the State Championships. All prelims will be held on Monday, May 16th with the finals the following day.
- **Volleyball (Maureen Williams):** The format for the Boys' Volleyball Championships has been distributed to the schools.
- **Officials (Jim Elliott & Maureen Williams):** Maureen Williams and Jim Elliott reported to the committee that this year's Officials' Convention will be an on site event. Registration information is available on the State website. Jim Elliott also asked a question regarding evaluators providing post game comments and information to officials who work state contests. This is a part of the process and he has been informed that it has not taken place in some of the games involving District II officials.

ITEM 6

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 John Coyle, to approve the immediate eligibility of Dayton Hershey, Middletown 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 Jim Elliott, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the immediate eligibility of Katherine Mena, Nanticoke to Wyoming Valley West, 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 Pete Jordan, to approve the eligibility of Lindsey Tasker, Land O Lakes (FLA) to Abington Heights, following a 21 day sit out period, 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 Kevin Mulhern, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the immediate eligibility of Emma Barney, Millersburg to Mt. 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 Jay Starnes, seconded by Mary Ruth Tanner, to approve the immediate eligibility of Saydie Kosmuch, Downingtown East to Wallenpaupack, 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 Ben Tolerico, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the eligibility, following a 45 day attendance period, of Mark Lawrence, Murrell Dobbins 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 Maureen Williams, seconded by Ron Collins, to approve the immediate eligibility of Jacob Stockton, Wilkes-Barre Area 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 Ben Tolerico, seconded by John Coyle, to approve the immediate eligibility of Joshua Stockton, Wilkes-Barre Area 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 Mary Ruth Tanner, seconded by Jim Elliott, to approve the eligibility, following a 21 day sit out period, of Diamond Thornton, Penn Wood 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**

ITEM 7

The following motions were made granting the following students **IMMEDIATE ELIGIBILITY IN THE REGULAR SEASON BUT NOT IN THE 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 Jay Starnes, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the immediate eligibility of Marissa Hoffman,

Weatherly to Hazleton. Marissa will not be eligible in the post season in the sport of Softball for the 2021-2022 season and the sport of Girls' Volleyball for the 2022-2023 season. **All Ayes**

- A motion was made by Pat Patte, seconded by Hal Gabriel, to approve the immediate eligibility of Summer Hope Paugh, Vernon Township (NJ) to Western Wayne. Summer will not be eligible in the post season in the sport of Cross Country for the 2022-2023 season. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Kevin Mulhern, seconded by Peter Jordan, to approve the immediate eligibility of Prine Josiah Shoffren, Wilkes-Barre Area to Hanover Area. Prince will not be eligible in the post season in the sport of Boys' Basketball for the 2022-2023 season. **All Ayes**

ITEM 8 Chairman Majikes led a discussion regarding next week's District II Annual Business Meeting to be held at the Holiday Inn in Wilkes-Barre. He distributed a draft of the program and asked all members to check their individual sports for accuracy. If there any changes to be made please contact Mike Ognosky.

ITEM 9 Chairman Majikes continues to work on arranging a hearing with a member school regarding an incident at the 2021 District II Golf Championships. Hopefully, this will be scheduled in May.

ITEM 10 Chaiman Majikes informed the committee that the Sub Regional Hearing with District II and District XI regarding the eligibility of a transfer student has been cancelled as the appeal request has been withdrawn.

ITEM 11 For public information, Chairman Majikes announced that tonight's committee meeting was preceded by two hearings regarding a request for waivers of ineligibility in post season. One hearing involved a Track and Field athlete and the other a Boys' Tennis athlete.

ITEM 12 The PIAA State Committee has currently approved a second reading regarding the Enrollment/Classification parameters for the next two year cycle. They should be finalized at the next State Committee meeting and will include all of the 2022-23 and 2023024 voluntary classification upgrades.

ITEM 13 A motion was made by John Coyle, seconded by Ben Tolerico, to adjourn the meeting. **All Ayes**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

NEXT MEETING TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 18th.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Ognosky

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District II Secretary