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**MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2023 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.
- ITEM 2 Absent but accounted for: Robert Croop, John Coyle, John Haas, Tim Hopkins, Peter Jordan, Mary Ruth Tanner, and Ben Tolerico
- ITEM 3 Chairman Majikes congratulated Tom Yoniski, Lake-Lehman Golf Coach, on being selected as one of the PIAA Coaches of the Year for 2022-2023.
- ITEM 4 A motion was made by Jon Pollard, seconded by Hal Gabriel, to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2023 Meeting. **All Ayes.**
- ITEM 5 Pat Patte, District II Treasurer, presented the monthly Treasurer's Report ending October 30, 2023. There is currently \$139,982.60 in our checking account and a total of \$308,774.01 in various money market and Certificate of Deposit accounts. The total fund balance as of October 30, 2023 is \$448,756.61. A motion was made by Dave Novrocki, seconded by Ron Collins, to approve the report as presented. **All Ayes**
- ITEM 6 SPORTS REPORTS
- **Field Hockey (Hal Gabriel):** Hal Gabriel congratulated the Lackawanna Trail Lady Lions on their runner-up finish for the 2023 PIAA Field Hockey A Championship.
 - **Football (Mike Ognosky):** A number of our teams are currently competing in the PIAA Football State Championships. Best of luck to all as we move to the PIAA Football Championship Weekend in December.
 - **Wrestling (Jay Starnes):** Jay Starnes reviewed the format for the 2024 District II Wrestling Championships. He provided information on the Team and Individual Championships as well as the scoring procedures utilized in each. A motion was made by Eric Emmerich, seconded by Brian Durkin, to approve the format

as presented. **All Ayes.** Information will be distributed to the Athletic Directors and placed on the website.

ITEM 7

Chairman Majikes provided the members with the recently released classification parameters for all Boys and Girls Sports for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 two year cycle.

ITEM 8

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 Rodman Azur, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the immediate eligibility of Tia Achuff, Scranton Prep to Holy Redeemer. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Fred Barletta, seconded by Chad Vinansky, to approve the immediate eligibility of Reagan Winter Bishop-Russo, Carbondale Area to Mt. View. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by David Elliott, seconded by Jay Starnes, to approve the immediate eligibility of Alejandro Gutierrez, Dominican Republic to Hazleton Area. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Eric Emmerich, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the immediate eligibility of Isaiah Keith, Scranton Cyber Academy to Scranton. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Dave Novrocki, to approve the immediate eligibility of Andrew Kettel, Scranton Prep to Abington Heights. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Maureen Williams, seconded by Chad Vinansky, to approve the immediate eligibility of Brooks Martinelli, Holy Redeemer to Crestwood. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Jay Starnes, seconded by Jon Pollard, to approve the immediate eligibility of Harshal Patel, Scranton Prep to Abington Heights. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Pat Patte, seconded by Dave Novrocki, to approve the immediate eligibility of Mario Ramos, Dunmore to Valley View. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Fred Barletta, to approve the immediate eligibility of James Schoffstall, Western Wayne to Mt. View. **All Ayes**

ITEM 9

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 Brian Durkin, seconded by Jon Pollard, to approve the immediate eligibility of Landon Calabrese, Moravian Prep to Wallenpaupack. Landon will not be eligible for the post season in the sport of Basketball for the 2023-2024 school year. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Eric Emmerich, to approve the immediate eligibility of Guillem Pardo, IEI Benimaclet to North Pocono. Guillem will be ineligible for post season in the sport of Soccer for the 2023-2024 school year. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Chad Vinansky, to approve the immediate eligibility of Ismael Turner, West Scranton to Valley View. Ismael will not be eligible for the post season in the sport of Football for the 2024-2025 school year. **All Ayes**

ITEM 10 Chairman Majikes reviewed House Bill 297, Harassment of Sports Officials, introduced by Representative Kulk and Senator Dillon, in the Pennsylvania Legislature. Harassment of a sports official while performing their duties as an official, will constitute a misdemeanor of the third degree. The Senate has passed the bill 48-2. It has been moved to the House of Representatives for their vote.

ITEM 11 A motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Ben Tolerico, to adjourn the meeting. **All Ayes**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Ognosky

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