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**MINUTES OF 95th ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
APRIL 16, 2025 MEETING
SCRANTON HILTON INN**

Chairman Majikes called the 95th Annual Business Meeting for 2024-2025 school year to order at 8:45 a.m.

ITEM 1 Chairman Majikes welcomed each representative from the member schools and introduced District II Committee Member Fred Barletta who offered an opening prayer and delivered the Necrology honoring those associated with District II who passed away in the previous year. In addition,

Chairman Majikes also welcomed Lyndsay Barna, Assistant Executive Director of the PIAA, representing the PIAA State Office at today's meeting. Lyndsay is a District II graduate from Western Wayne High School.

He followed by having each member of the District II Committee introduce themselves to the group.

ITEM 2 A motion was made by Jeff Shook (AD- Lake-Lehman), seconded by Tom Nowakowske (AD-Mid Valley), to approve the minutes of the 94th Annual Business meeting as presented by Mike Ognosky, District II Secretary. Copies of those minutes were posted for review on the District II website and sent to all member schools prior to the meeting. **All Ayes**

ITEM 3 Pat Patte, District II Treasurer, gave the District II Treasurer's Report for the year ending June 30, 2024 and copies were provided to each school indicating that the Total Expenses in the 2023-2024 operating year were \$330,163.26; and Total Revenues for the same period of time were \$378,560.08 – indicating a net gain in operations of \$48,396.82. A motion was made by Ken Bartuska (AD – Greater Nanticoke Area), seconded by Ron Hummer (AD – Hanover Area), to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. **All Ayes**

ITEM 4 Following Pat's presentation, Frank Majikes presented the Credential's Report indicating that 40 Senior High Schools and 38 Junior High Schools

were represented at today's meeting. He thanked all the schools for their patience and diligence exhibited throughout the 2024-2025 school year.

ITEM 5

Vice Chairman John Coyle congratulated the 2024-2025 District II competitors and teams who were State Champions:

- Nick Werner (Wyoming Seminary - Coach Matt Occhiato), the 2024 Boys AA Individual Golf Champion.
- Scranton Prep (Coach Christi Dorece), the 2024 Boys Golf AA Team Champion.
- Ilana Rosenthal (Wyoming Seminary-Coach Raphael Cooper), the 2024 Girls Tennis Singles AA State Champion.
- Maria-Lucia Priore, Audrey Haydu, Peyton Stauffer, and Lydia Gonzales (Dallas- Coach Grant Leksic), the 2025 Swimming Girls AA Freestyle Relay State Champion.
- Samuel Guzman (Hazleton Area- Coach Dustin Hausherr), the 2024 Track and Field Boys AAA Javelin State Champion.

ITEM 6

Chairman Majikes introduced Lyndsay Barna, Assistant Executive Director of the PIAA, who discussed the following points – all of the information was contained in a handout that was provided to each member school in attendance:

- The Board held discussions regarding feeder schools. The Pennsylvania Catholic Conference Executive Director, Eric Failing, is completing a survey of diocesan schools and will provide that information to the Executive Staff and the Board for further discussion.
- The Board unanimously approved the addition of retirement and/or discharge from military service for post-season waiver consideration.
- The Board emphasized that a transfer student who participates in out-of-season workouts must have physically disenrolled at School A in order to participate in workouts at School B.
- The Competition formula has been reviewed and the Board made a number of changes that were thoroughly reviewed by Ms. Barna.
- Schools that participate in tournaments with non-member schools must complete the appropriate paperwork. That was emphasized in the sports of Girls' Wrestling and Winter Indoor Track and Field.
- There have been too many disqualifications that are falling into the supplemental category for two games. This includes fighting, punching, foul language and other acts. Schools must emphasize this when discussing sportsmanship at the beginning of every sports' season.

- The rules book for Girls Flag Football is expected to be approved this summer. Play will begin next Spring with a PIAA Girls' Flag Football State Championship commencing in the Spring of 2027.
- PIAA Scene is currently being launched. If a school has a good video they would like to share please do so – please tag @PIAASports or use #PIAAscene.
- Official Ball adoptions for the 2025-2029 sports have been announced – Basketball is back to the Wilson will others remain as is.
- The National School Leadership Summit will be held in Indianapolis from July 14-17, 2025. Application is posted on the website – the PIAA would like to send 12 student-athletes from Pennsylvania.
- Please look out for the shot clock surveys for boys & girls lacrosse and basketball. Each school is asked to complete the survey.

ITEM 7 A discussion was held regarding the Football schedule for the next two year cycle in Football. Member schools have been asked to communicate to the Football Scheduling Committee a list of non-District 2 schools they have scheduled.

ITEM 8 Chairman Majikes informed member schools that the scholar-athlete plaques are available at today's meeting. Also, plaques acknowledging the various championship coaches are also available today. Member schools are asked to pick them up prior to leaving.

ITEM 9 Chairman Majikes informed the group that due to the severe spring weather there is a potential that the 2025 District II Baseball Championships may not be held at PNC Field. This will provide member schools an additional week in order to schedule all necessary make up contests. The Baseball Committee will make that decision by the end of April.

ITEM 10 Softball Chairman Pat Patte informed the group that the last day of regular season competition in Softball will be Saturday, May 17th.

ITEM 11 Chairman Majikes called upon Bill Schoen (former District II Committee Member) to conduct the Election of Committee members for the 2025-2026 academic year.

A motion was made by Joe Pizano (AD-Wyoming Area), seconded by Ken Janiszewski (AD-Tunkhannock), to maintain the current slate of committee members. **All Ayes**

The current committee members will be retained.

ITEM 10 Fred Barletta offered the Bendiction.

ITEM 11 A motion was made by Ted Anderson (AD – Scranton), seconded by Nick Gill (AD – Wyoming Valley West), to adjourn the 95th Annual District II Business Meeting. **All Ayes**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Ognosky, District II Secretary