PENNSYLVANIA INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
DISTRICT II

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DECEMBER 17, 2025 MEETING
@ SCRANTON HIGH SCHOOL

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

ITEM 1 Chairman Majikes called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

ITEM 2 Absent but accounted for: Dr. John Haas and Chris Thomas

ITEM 3 A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by Brian Durkin, to approve the minutes of the November 24, 2025 monthly meeting. Those minutes will now be posted to the District II website. **All Ayes**

ITEM 4 Pat Patte presented the Treasurer's Report for the month of November, 2025. As of November 30, 2025, the Total Fund Balance was $534,654.08. This included $125,753.28 in our checking account with the remaining balance located in various CD's and Money Market accounts. Following the presentation, a motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Jon Pollard, to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. **All Ayes**

ITEM 5 Chairman Majikes distributed a press release from the PIAA State Office announcing that Mark Byers has been named as the new PIAA Executive Director as of January 1, 2026. Mark was named to replace Dr. Robert Lombardi, upon the latter's retirement.

ITEM 6 SPORTS REPORTS:

- **Competitive Spirit (Hal Gabriel):** Hal Gabriel informed the committee that the 2025 Competitive Spirit Championships were postponed due to inclement weather on December 14th and have been rescheduled for December 21st. The Championships will remain at Wilkes-Barre Area High School beginning at Noon.
- **Football (Mike Ognosky):** Mike Ognosky informed the committee that the process for developing the schedule for the next two year cycle is well underway. The group working on the process is a cooperative committee involving members from both the LIAA and WVC.
- **Cross Country (Chad Vinansky):** Chad Vinansky announced that the Cross Country Committee is in the process of reviewing

last year's Championships and will have a report regarding any potential changes at a future meeting.

- **Girls Volleyball (Maureen Williams):** Maureen informed the committee that there are now 6 classifications in Girls' Volleyball. The move to additional classes will require changes in the post season format for the District II Championships. The Girls Volleyball Committee will have a recommendation at a future meeting.
- **Swimming and Diving (Fred Barletta):** Fred Barletta shared with the committee that the Swim Committee is currently reviewing the particulars regarding the Swim Championships and the format will be reviewed at the January meeting.
- **Basketball (Frank Majikes):** Frank Majikes informed the Committee that the Basketball Committee will be meeting with representatives from the Mohegan Sun Arena to finalize plans for this year's Championships. Those Championships are scheduled for Thursday, February 26th through Saturday, February 28th.

ITEM 7 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 Azar, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the immediate eligibility of Noah Wisniewski, Carbondale to Old Forge. **All Ayes**

ITEM 8 Chairman Majikes reviewed a summary of the PIAA Board of Directors' Actions from their most recent meeting held on Wednesday, December 3, 2025. The full report can be found on the PIAA State Website:

- The Board approved, on suspended protocol, effective immediately to modify Bylaw Article III, Section 6. Charter School, Cyber Charter School, Private School and Private Faith Based School Students, and add to the Glossary, a definition of Private School. That now puts in place that Private School students, including those from all of the above types, can now try out at the public school in which they reside, if their school does not sponsor that sport. For example, a student from Holy Cross, who lives in the Mid Valley School District, can now try out for the Mid Valley Wrestling program, as Holy Cross does not currently have a Wrestling program.
- The Board approved, on a third and final reading basis, to implement a shot clock for boys' and girls' varsity and junior varsity basketball contests, beginning the 2028-2029 school year.

- The Board received information on the Winter Sports' Officials' Appreciation Week, to be held January 11-17, 2026.

ITEM 9 The PIAA has announced that they are seeking applications for the following positions. For details please refer to the PIAA State Website –

- PIAA Statewide Rules Interpreter for Girls' Flag Football. Deadline to submit for this position is Tuesday, January 6, 2026.
- PIAA Officials' Adminstrator/Administrative Assistant Position. This will be a full time 35 hours/weekly including benefits located in the PIAA State Office. Deadline to submit for this position is Wednesday, December 31, 2025.

ITEM 10 Requests for Proposals (RFP) for the hosting of the PIAA Fall Sports' Championships for the 2026-2027 through 2029-2030 school years – including Cross Country, Football, Field Hockey, Boys' and Girls' Golf, Boys' and Girls' Soccer, Girls' Tennis (Individual and Team) and Girls' Volleyball. RFP's are due by January 7th.

ITEM 11 The PIAA has announced that the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 classification parameters are now available on the PIAA website. Please note that these lists do not reflect any potential corrections, voluntary upgrades, or application of the competition formula.

ITEM 12 Girls' Flag Football is officially under PIAA jurisdiction beginning with the 2025-2026 school year – and the first ever PIAA Championship is set for 2027. If you would like to become a PIAA certified Girls' Flag Football Official please visit the PIAA website for information.

ITEM 13 A motion was made by Matt Nonnenberg, seconded by Pat Patte, to adjourn the meeting. **All Ayes**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Ognosky

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District II Secretary