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**MINUTES OF JUNE 25, 2025 MEETING  
VIA ZOOM**

Meeting was convened at 1 p.m. by Chairman Majikes.

- ITEM 1      Chairman Majikes called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.
- ITEM 2      Absent but accounted for: Brian Durkin, Peter Jordan, Jay Starnes, Mary Ruth Tanner, and Ben Tolerico.
- Also present: Atty. Michael Rogers, District II Solicitor
- ITEM 3      A motion was made by Maureen Williams, seconded by Hal Gabriel, to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2025 Annual Business Meeting and the May 7, 2025 Monthly Business Meeting. Those minutes will now be posted to the District II website. **All Ayes**
- ITEM 4      Attorney Michael Rogers provided the committee with an update on the current discussions involving alleged recruiting violations by a member school. This is an ongoing situation that has been continued and needs to be resolved prior to the beginning of the upcoming winter sports' season. Following discussion, a time table was agreed upon by the committee and Chairman Majikes and Attorney Rogers will convey that information to the member schools involved and future meeting and/or hearing dates will be established in order to meet the resolution of the situation.
- ITEM 5      Mike Ognosky provided each committee member with reports that detail the 2024-2025 Hometown Ticketing sales for each sport and each event within that sport. He also provided a longitudinal comparative study by sports' and sport for the three year period in which Hometown Ticketing has been utilized for District playoff ticket sales.
- ITEM 6      SPORTS REPORTS:
- **Cross Country (Chad Vinansky & Eric Emmerich):** Eric Emmerich has provided Chairman Majikes with the agreement for the use of the Wyoming County Fairgrounds as the venue for the 2025 District II Cross Country Championships. Chairman Majikes has provided the PIAA State Office with a copy for their input.

- **Competitive Spirit (Hal Gabriel):** Hal Gabriel informed the committee that the date for the 2025 District II Competitive Spirit Championships has been set for Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at Wilkes-Barre Area. In case of inclement weather, Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup> has been set as the make up date. Information will be forthcoming to member schools.
- **Field Hockey (Hal Gabriel):** Hal Gabriel provided each committee member with a copy of the format for the 2025 District II Field Hockey Championships. Following discussion, a motion was made by Dave Novrocki, seconded by Fred Barletta, to approve the format for distribution to schools. **All Ayes**
- **Football (Mike Ognosky):** Mike Ognosky reported that a meeting of the PIAA Football Steering Committee will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> for discussion regarding the timeline for implementation of Girls Flag Football as a Spring PIAA sport. Information will then be distributed to member schools.
- **Lacrosse (Tim Hopkins):** Tim Hopkins reported that there will be a pilot implementation of a shot clock in Lacrosse next spring – details to follow. Also, the Lacrosse Steering Committee is concerned with the increase in sportsmanship violations in the recently completed season. A number of issues involving incidents involving both coaches and players were discussed.
- **Track and Field (John Coyle):** John Coyle reported that the Track Steering Committee will be making adjustments in the qualifying times and standards for next spring. Also, the 800 and 1600 events at the PIAA State Championships will be adjusting their heat size in order to provide a more competitive situation in those events.
- **Officials (Maureen Williams & Chris Thomas):** Maureen Williams reported that one of the major discussion items at this year's PIAA Spring Officials' Workshop was the lack of security at game events during the past school year. All schools are strongly encouraged to review their procedures when hosting a PIAA interscholastic event in all sports. The deportment of spectators, coaches, and players needs to be improved in order to provide the appropriate atmosphere for a PIAA sponsored sports' event.

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 Tim Hopkins, seconded by Chris Thomas, to approve the immediate eligibility of Trinity Litts, Scranton Prep to North Pocono. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Jon Pollard, seconded by John Haas, to approve the immediate eligibility of Ian Walsh, Wilkes-Barre Area to Nanticoke. **All Ayes**

ITEM 8      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 Maureen Williams, seconded by Hal Gabriel, to approve the immediate eligibility of Bianca Arce. Pleasant Valley to Wyoming Valley West. Bianca will not be eligible for the post season in the sport of Girls' Soccer for the 2025-2026 school year. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Pat Patte, seconded by Fred Barletta, to approve the immediate eligibility of Camrin Shovlin, Wyoming Valley West to Wilkes-Barre Area. Camrin will not be eligible for the post season in the sport of Boys' Basketball for the 2025-2026 school year.

ITEM 9      Chairman Majikes announced that the PIAA and the NFHS have developed and approved the first NFHS Flag Football Rules Book. The official rule book is now available on the NFHS website. The 11 member committee that developed the rule book was chaired by Tyler Cerimeli, Director of Athletics and Officials with the Arizona Interscholastic Association, and directed by Bob Colgate, NFHS Director of Sports and Sports Medicine and the Editor of the NFHS Flag Football Rules Book.

ITEM 10      Chairman Majikes reported that the Basketball Steering Committee reviewed the results of the "shot clock" survey for Basketball and made the decision to recommend that the shot clock not be implemented by the PIAA for use in interscholastic contests. The survey issued to member schools returned with a very slight edge to utilize the clock, 52 % to 48 %.

ITEM 11      A motion was made by Ron Collins, seconded by Matt Nonnenberg, to adjourn the meeting. **All Ayes**

Meeting was adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mike Ognosky*

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