PENNSYLVANIA INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION DISTRICT II

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MINUTES OF MARCH 19, 2025 MEETING @ SCRANTON HIGH SCHOOL

Meeting was convened at 4:30 p.m. by Chairman Majikes.

- ITEM 1 Chairman Majikes called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
- ITEM 2 Absent but accounted for: Rodman Azar, Fred Barletta, Ron Collins, Brian Durkin, Eric Emmerich, Peter Jordan, Jon Pollard, Jay Starnes, Chris Thomas, Ben Tolerico, and Chad Vinansky.
- ITME 3 Chairman Majikes welcomed the newest member of the District II Committee, Matt Nonnenberg, Principal of Lake-Lehman Junior-Senior High School.
- ITEM 4 A motion was made by Dave Novrocki, seconded by Tim Hopkins, to approve the minutes of both the January 15, 2025 and February 26, 2025 Monthly Meetings. Those minutes will now be posted to the District II website. **All Ayes**
- Pat Patte, District II Treasurer, presented the monthly Treasurer's Report ending February 28, 2025. There is currently \$256,217.78 in our checking account and a total of \$359,132.29 in various money market and Certificate of Deposit accounts. The total fund balance as of February 28, 2025 is \$615,350.07. Pat explained that the current balance still has a number of outstanding bills and payments for the winter sports. The winter sports' season financial payments should be finalized by the end of March. A motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Mary Ruth Tanner, to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. **All Ayes**

ITEM 6 SPORTS REPORTS:

• Basketball (Frank Majikes): Frank Majikes thanked all the committee members who assisted in the District II Championships at the Mohegan Sun Arena. He is still awaiting the final report from the Arena and will provide Pat Patte, District II Treasurer, with that report when it arrives. He congratulated our state qualifying teams on their fine post season performance in the

- PIAA State Playoffs. We currently have 4 teams who will be competing in the state semifinals this weekend.
- **Swimming and Diving (Fred Barletta):** Congratulations to the 2025 PIAA State Swimming Champion Dallas Girls 400 Yard Freestyle Relay Team. Team members are Maria-Lucia Priore, Audrey Haydu, Peyton Stauffer, and Lydia Gonzales.
- Wrestling (Jay Starnes): Congratulations to the 10 wrestlers who received state medals at the recently conducted PIAA State Wrestling Championships. A list of those wrestlers can be found on the District II website "Wrestling Championships" story.
- Baseball (Frank Majikes): Chairman Majikes presented the 2025 District II Baseball Championship Format to the committee for their review. Following discussion, a motion ws made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by Matt Nonnenberg, to approve the format as submitted. All Ayes. It will now be placed on the District website and emailed to all Athletic Directors.
- Lacrosse (Tim Hopkins): Tim Hopkins presented the 2025
 District II Lacrosse Championship Format to the committee for
 their review. Following discussion, a motion was made by Pat
 Patte, seconded by John Coyle, to approve the format as submitted.

 All Ayes. It will now be placed on the District website and emailed
 to all Athletic Directors.
- Tennis (John Coyle): Mike Ognosky presented the 2025 District II Tennis Boys' Championship Format to the committee for their review. Following discussion, a motion was made by John Haas, seconded by Matt Nonnenberg, to approve the format as submitted.
 All Ayes. It will now be placed on the District website and emailed to all Athletic Directors.
- Volleyball (Maureen Williams): Maureen Williams presented the 2025 District II Volleyball Boys' Championship Format to the committee for their review. Following discussion, a motion was made by Mary Ruth Tanner, seconded by Dave Novrocki, to approve the format as submitted. All Ayes. It will now be placed on the District website and emailed to all Athletic Directors.
- 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 Matt Nonnenberg, seconded by Mary Ruth Tanner, to approve the immediate eligibility of Riley Lynch, Wyoming Valley West to Dallas. All Ayes
 - A motion was made by John Coyle, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the immediate eligibility of Isaiah Lee, Wyoming Valley

- West to Wyoming Area. 2024-2025 will be the final year of eligibility for Isaiah. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by Matt Nonnenberg, to approve the immediate eligibility of Zachary Koons, Holy Redeemer to Crestwood. All Ayes
- A motion was made by Dave Novrocki, seconded by Hal Gabriel, to approve the immediate eligibility of Gabriella Brownstein, Tottenville HS to Lake-Lehman. Gabriella had previously been ruled ineligible for post season in the sport of Track and Field but additional paperwork has been submitted. All Ayes
- 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 Matt Nonnenberg, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the immediate eligibility of Selah Combs. Manitou Springs (Col) to Western Wayne. Selah will not be eligible for the post season in the sport of Swimming for the 2024-2025 school year. All Ayes
 - A motion was made by John Coyle, seconded by Hal Gabriel, to approve the immediate eligibility of Daniel Scotch, North Pocono to Wyoming Area. Daniel will be ineligible for post season in the sport of Football for the 2025-2026 school year. All Ayes
 - A motion was made by John Haas, seconded by Mary Ruth Tanner, to approve the immediate eligibility of Ryan Zelinka, Crestwood to Holy Redeemer. Ryan will not be eligible for the post season in the sport of Football for the 2025-2026 school year. All Ayes
 - A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by Pat Patte, to approve the immediate eligibility of Rebecca Rothwell, Scranton Prep to Abington Heights. Rebecca will not be eligible for the post season in the sport of Soccer for the 2025-2026 school year.
 All Ayes
 - A motion was made by Dave Novrocki, seconded by John Coyle, to approve the eligibility of Clara Sandly, Valley View to Riverside. Clara will not be eligible for the post season in the sport of Softball for the 2024-2025 school year. **All Ayes**
- ITEM 9 Chairman Majikes reviewed the summary of the PIAA Board of Directors' Actions from the meeting of Wednesday, February 19, 2025. At that meeting, the Board approved the Cooperative Sponsorship of Boys'

Lacrosse between Mid Valley and Lakeland. The complete summary of that Board of Directors meeting can be found on the PIAA state website.

The PIAA also announced the "Official Ball Adoptions" in six sports. The new adoptions will go in effect beginning July 1, 2025 and will continue for four years through June 30, 2029. Here is that list –

| Baseball | Spaulding | TF Pro Baseball WC41100HS |
|------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Basketball | Wilson | EVO NXT WZ10033011XB7 (Boys) |
| | | EVO NXT WZ1003301XB6 (Girls) |
| Football | Wilson | GST WTF1003 |
| Soccer | Wilson | VIVIDO Match Ball WS1001401XB05 |
| Softball | Dudley | Thunder Heat Softball 43147 |
| Volleyball | Baden | Perfection VX5EC-210A |

Member schools may elect to participate with the NFHS approved ball of their choice during the regular season. For postseason play in PIAA District and Inter-District Championship contests, qualifying schools are REQUIRED to compete with the "Official Ball" listed above.

- The NFHS Flag Football Committee met last month in Indianapolis to develop the first national rules for high school flag football. The 2025-2026 NFHS Flag Football Rules Book will be available in print and digital form in early May 2025 and will provide rules guidance for the nation's fastest growing emerging high school sport.
- ITEM 12 Chairman Majikes reviewed materials distributed regarding written concerns submitted by a member school expressing concerns about the actions of school personnel from another member school. All parties have been notified of the allegations and have been asked to submit, in writing, a response to Chairman Majikes by Monday, April 14th. The Committee will then schedule a hearing on the matter, if necessary.
- ITEM 13 Chairman Majikes distributed information to the committee regarding an incident following a regular season basketball contest between two District II member schools. Responses were submitted by both Administrations and Athletic Directors and reviewed and discussed by the committee. No further action will be taken by the committee on the matter.
- ITEM 14 Chairman Majikes reviewed a request by a member school to review the eligibility of a District XII athlete who participated in a post season contest versus a District II school. Chairman Majikes contacted District XII and the eligibility of that student-athlete was in accordance with PIAA guidelines.

- ITEM 15 Chairman Majikes discussed with the committee an incident following a PIAA Post-Season Basketball contest between a District II and District IV school. He has been in contact with District IV Chairman who has addressed the matter with the District IV school and school personnel involved in the incident.
- ITEM 16 Chairman Majikes reviewed the scheduling of the 2025 Annual Business Meeting with District II schools scheduled for the Scranton Hilton Inn on Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.
- ITEM 17 A motion was made by Mary Ruth Tanner, seconded by John Coyle, to adjourn the meeting. **All Ayes**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mike Ognosky District II Secretary