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**JANUARY 21, 2026 MEETING  
@ PATTE'S RESTAURANT**

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: Ron Collins, John Coyle, Peter Jordan, Jon Pollard, Jay Starnes, Mary Ruth Tanner, and Chris Thomas.
- ITEM 3        A motion was made by Tim Hopkins, seconded by Brian Durkin, to approve the minutes of the December 17, 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 December, 2025. As of December 31, 2025, the Total Fund Balance was \$529,831.80. This included \$115,274.75 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 Dave Novrocki, seconded by Ben Tolerico, to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. **All Ayes**
- ITEM 5        Chairman Majikes reviewed a correspondence from Steve Poremba, General Manager of the Mohegan Sun Arena, regarding the upcoming appearance of the Harlem Globetrotters on Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>. Any members of Youth Basketball/Biddy Organizations can attend with a 25 % off ticket. The link for reduced tickets to the event is <https://www.moheganarenapa.com/harlem-globetrotters-youth>.
- ITEM 6        SPORTS REPORTS:
- **Competitive Spirit (Hal Gabriel):** Congratulations to those schools that recently represented District II at the PIAA Competitive Spirit State Championships in Johnstown, Pa. Schools representing District II included Hazleton Area, Mid Valley, Crestwood, Wilkes-Barre Area, and Wallenpaupack.
  - **Football (Mike Ognosky):** Mike Ognosky reviewed the PIAA Football Steering Committee meeting. Football Subregional brackets for the next two year cycle should be released following

the March Board of Directors meeting. Member schools are also asked to review the current uniform requirements as they will be a point of emphasis in the next cycle.

- **Cross Country (Chad Vinansky):** Chad Vinansky informed the committee that the site of the State Championships in the next four years will be Big Spring School District in Newville.
- **Girls Tennis (Mike Ognosky):** “Coaching on the Fly” was a recommendation of the Tennis Steering Committee and that recommendation was approved by a 26-2 vote to be implemented beginning the 2026-2027 school year.
- **Swimming and Diving (Fred Barletta):** Fred Barletta reviewed the format for the 2026 District II Swimming and Diving Championships. A motion was made by Pat Patte, seconded by John Haas, to approve the format as presented. **All Ayes**
- **Basketball (Frank Majikes):** Frank Majikes reviewed the format for the 2026 District II Basketball Championships. A motion was made by Hal Gabriel, seconded by Maureen Williams, to approve the format as presented. **All Ayes.**
- **Maureen Williams (Officials):** Maureen Williams thanked all the District II schools who participated in the Winter Sports’ Officials Appreciation Week. She also reminded schools that they are responsible for the Officials’ from the time they arrive in the school for their assignment, until the time they get in the vehicles to begin their journey home.

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 Dave Novrocki, to approve the immediate eligibility of Gage Roberts, Wyoming Seminary to Western Wayne. **All Ayes**
- A motion was made by John Haas, seconded by Hal Gabriel, to approve the immediate eligibility of Jaiden O’Loughlin, Pocono Mt. West to Wilkes-Barre Area. **All Ayes**
- Chairman Majikes informed the committee that Camron Shovlin, Wilkes-Barre Area, is now eligible for post season competition following the submission of the required paperwork. Camron had previously been ruled ineligible for post-season play in Boys’ Basketball.

ITEM 8

Chairman Majikes reviewed a summary of the PIAA Board of Directors’ Actions from their most recent meeting held on Wednesday, January 14, 2026. The full report can be found on the PIAA State Website:

- The Board approved a list of schools that have requested upgrades in classification for the next two year cycle. That list included Honesdale (Girls Tennis) and Pittston Area (Softball).
- The Board approved the recommendation of site selections for the PIAA Fall Championships for 2026-2029. That includes the following: Golf (Penn State), Girls Tennis (Hershey Racquet Club), Football & Field Hockey (Cumberland Valley), Cross Country (Big Spring), Volleyball (St. Francis University), Soccer (Highmark Stadium, Pittsburgh).
- The Board received information on the recently conducted Winter Sports' Officials' Appreciation Week, held from January 11-17, 2026.

ITEM 9            Chairman Majikes reported that a member school recently self reported the participation of an academically ineligible student in a number of Junior High competitions. That school has communicated to member schools that were involved in those contests and has forfeited all of those contests.

ITEM 10           A motion was made by Matt Nonnenberg, seconded by Rod Azar, to adjourn the meeting. **All Ayes**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mike Ognosky*

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