

**SUMMARY OF PIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ACTIONS FROM THE
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022**

1. Approved the Minutes of the December 8, 2021, meeting of the Board of Directors.
2. Held an executive session to discuss active litigation.
3. Denied requests by four schools to suspend application of Article III, Section X, Interpretation relating to impact on their classifications from termination of co-op agreements.
4. Denied the requests of eight schools to suspend the deadline for submission of enrollment numbers.
5. Conducted two Appeal hearings for requests for waiver from the Competition Formula;
 - Based on the testimony and evidence presented, the Board voted to allow Aliquippa Senior High School to remain in 4A.
 - Based on the testimony and evidence presented, the Board voted to allow Wyomissing Area High School to remain in 3A.
 - Due to time limitations, the hearing for Cathedral Prep High School will be rescheduled to a later date.
6. Addressed the following recommendations, reports, and updates from the Executive Director:
 - District Chairmen will receive a form to complete information regarding their District Meetings;
 - Approved the minutes and recommendations from the January 16, 2022 PIAA Strategic Planning Committee meeting;
 - Approved language to be developed for consideration of an amendment to the Constitution addressing the makeup of District Committees;
 - Approved the site selection of the Penn State Blue and White Golf Courses for PIAA Golf Championships for 2022, 2023, 2024 & 2025;
 - **On a second reading basis**, unanimously voted to modify Article VI, Transfers Residence, and Recruiting, Subsection C,3., addressing possible revision to the timing of submissions of requests for post season ineligibility waiver;
 - **On a third and final reading basis**, unanimously voted to modify Sections VIII and IX of the Procedural Standards for Appeal Hearings, to clarify the process for deliberations and decisions following an appeal hearing, effective immediately;
 - **On a second reading basis**, unanimously voted to modify Sections VII and VIII of the Procedural Standards for Regional Panels and District Committees, to clarify the process for deliberations and decisions following an appeal hearing, effective immediately;
 - **On a second reading basis**, unanimously voted to amend Article VII, Powers and Duties of Board of Directors, Section 1., H , to clarify that routine and administrative District Committee decisions are not subject to appeal to, and review by, the Board of Directors.
7. Accepted the following reports from the Assistant Executive Director:
 - Announce that the NFHS Coach of the Year Press release has been posted to the PIAA website;
 - Provided information regarding PIAA's initiative of Title IX's 50th Year Anniversary;
 - Approved the minutes and recommendations from the January 12, 2022 PIAA Coaches' Advisory Committee meeting;

- Approved the minutes and recommendations from the January 12, 2022 PIAA Volleyball Steering Committee meeting, which included;
 - A note to be added to the Volleyball Rules and Regulations section of the PIAA Handbook recommending line judges should be non- team members, and;
 - A recommendation to the Strategic Planning Committee to review Girls' Volleyball participation numbers and possibly add a fifth classification;
- Approved the Request for Proposal (RFP) to host the 2022, 2023, 2024 and/or 2025 PIAA Volleyball Championships;
- Approved the minutes and recommendations from the January 12, 2022 PIAA Tennis Steering Committee meeting which included;
 - Adding language for the Girls' Team Tennis Championships rules on a tie breaker for when a tie occurs, and establishing criteria for deciding the tie would be games won then sets won;
- Approved the Request for Proposal (RFP) to host the 2022, 2023, 2024 and/or 2025 PIAA Girls' Singles and Doubles and Team Tennis Championships

8. Accepted the following report from the Assistant Executive Director:

- Received a report on the Winter Sports Rules Interpretation Meetings;
- Received an update on the Officials' Virtual Convention for Spring Sports, to be held in February;
- Discussed the PIAA Sports' Officials' Appreciation Weeks, including the following:
 - Winter Sports – January 9-15, 2022, just completed;
 - Spring Sports' April 3- 9, 2022;
- Received information regarding the odd numbered PIAA District Officials' Representatives elections;
- Approved the minutes and recommendations from the January 12, 2022 PIAA Football Steering Committee meeting, which included a proposal to use home sites through the quarterfinal contests for schools in PIAA districts in their half of the state (east and West) or those that are in contiguous PIAA districts, and;
- Approved the Request for Proposal (RFP) to host the 2022, 2023, 2024 and/or 2025 PIAA Football Championships;
- District's recommendations for Winter Sports Championship Officials;
- Received an update on Chapter Interpreters' Annual Mandatory Online Meeting.

9. Accepted the following reports from the Associate Executive Director:

- Reviewed the upcoming PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships, to be held Jan. 28 & 29;
- Approved the minutes and recommendations from the January 12, 2022 PIAA Field Hockey Steering Committee meeting;
- Approved the Request for Proposal (RFP) to host the 2022, 2023, 2024 and/or 2025 PIAA Field Hockey Championships;
- Received an update on the NFHS Student Leadership information, to be held July 18-20, 2022;
- Reviewed a report on the upcoming PIAA Swimming and Diving Championships to be held March 16-19, 2022;
- Approved the Voluntary Upgrade requests for the next cycle (2022-23 & 2023-2024) by member schools.

10. Accepted the following reports from the Chief Operating Officer:

- Approved the minutes and recommendations from the January 12, 2022 PIAA Cross Country Steering Committee meeting;
- Approved the Request for Proposal (RFP) to host the 2022, 2023, 2024 and/or 2025 PIAA Cross Country Championships;
- Approved the minutes and recommendations from the January 12, 2022 PIAA Soccer Steering Committee meeting, which included;
 - To accept the Facility Requirement Checklist for determining the viability of host schools in the first round and to include this in tournament handbook, and;
- Approve the Request for Proposal (RFP) to host the 2022, 2023, 2024 and/or 2025 PIAA Soccer Championships;
- On a second reading basis, unanimously approved the Emerging Sport Program Application for the sport of Girls' wrestling from the Pennsylvania Girls Wrestling Task Force;
- Voted to deny the request by Wyalusing Valley High School to suspend the application of Article XVI, Table II- Schedule of Winter Sports, and counting in-season competition points.

11. Approved the following requests for cooperative sponsorship of a sport, effective beginning of **2021-2022** school year (**will not** affect classification size of Teams):

District II – Wyoming Area and MMI Prep High Schools (boys' lacrosse)

District III – Bishop McDevitt to add Middletown, Steelton and Covenant Christian (boys' lacrosse (**modification**))

District III – Modification/Ratification -Spring Grove Area to add York Suburban (boys' bowling)

District IV – Shamokin Area & Line Mountain Senior & Junior High Schools (girls' track & field)

District IV – East Juniata High School and Juniata Christian (boys' and girls' track & field)

District V – Conemaugh Township Area, Johnstown Christian, and North Star High Schools (boys' and girls' track and field (contingent **upon District V approval**))

District VII – Propel Braddock Hills and Propel Andrew Street High Schools (boys' and girls' track and field)

12. Approved the following requests for cooperative sponsorship of a sport, effective beginning of **2022-2023** school year (**will not** affect classification size of Teams):

District III – Annville Cleona and New Covenant Christian High Schools (football, baseball, and boys' and girls' track & field)

District III – New Covenant Christian and Annville Cleona High Schools (boys' and girls' volleyball)

District VI – Penn Cambria and Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High Schools (boys' and girls' cross country)

District VII – New Castle Area and Union Area High Schools (wrestling)

District VII – Neighborhood Academy and Shady Side Academy (girls' volleyball)

13. Approved the following Termination Request(s) Concerning Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport, effective beginning of **2021-2022** school year:

District V – (modification) Shade and Shanksville Stonycreek (Johnstown Christian boys' and girls' track and field)

14. Approved the following Termination Request(s) Concerning Cooperative Sponsorship of a Sport, effective beginning of **2022-2023** school year:

District III – Lancaster Catholic and Janus School (football and girls' soccer)

District VII – Northgate and Avonworth High School (boys' golf)

15. Approved the following member school application(s), effective **July 1, 2022**

District VII – Environmental Charter Senior and Junior High Schools

District VII – First Love Christian Academy

**NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2022,
2:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE**