

DISTRICT XI COMMITTEE MEETING
21 FEBRUARY 2010
NORTHAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

CALL TO ORDER: The following members were not present: Mr. Ramella, Mr. Lesky, Mrs. Cook, Mr. Mc Breen, Mrs. Ross

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wabby at 11:10 am.

- I. Approval of Agenda: Mr. Wabby
- A motion was made by Kinder/Davis to accept the 21 February 2010 meeting agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
- II. Secretary's Report: Mr. Harakal
- A motion was made by to Kinder/Davis approve the 25 January 2010 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
- III. Treasurer' Report: Mr. Zimmerman
- Update of the PIAA audit. There are three areas that the District XI Committee needs to address.
 - Mr. Zimmerman will respond to the audit with the procedures that the District XI Committee will follow. This information will be emailed to all members of the District XI Committee.
 - Chairman Wabby will share the PIAA audit with all of the members of the District XI Committee.
- IV. Correspondence: Mr. Wabby
- A. Foreign Exchange Students
- No action necessary
- A. Athletic Transfer Waivers
- A motion was made by Arnts/Kinder to ratify the following student transfers, since both Principals signed the athletic transfer waiver request. The motion passed unanimously.
A student from Automotive High School in New York to East Stroudsburg South High School
A student from Minneapolis Southwest High School to Pocono Mountain West High School
A student from Allentown Central Catholic High School to Northampton Area High School
A student from Pius X High School to Pocono Mountain East High School
A student from Stroudsburg Middle School to Pocono Mountain Swiftwater Intermediate School
- B. Miscellaneous Eligibility
- Easton Area High School is requesting a hearing for one of their students for an additional year of eligibility.
 - Blue Mountain High School is requesting a hearing for one of their students regarding the age rule.
 - A hearing will be scheduled for a student that is requesting a transfer from Bethlehem Catholic High School to Freedom High School. The Principal from the sending school, Bethlehem Catholic High School, has requested the hearing.
 - Discussion of the student from Schuylkill Haven High School and their request for a hearing with the PIAA regarding the sport of soccer. Chairman Wabby will update the District XI Committee
- C. Cooperative Sponsorship Sports
- No action necessary.
- VI. Old Business:

- A. Election Update of District XI Committee Makeup: Mr. Wabby
- The new proposal of the make-up of the District XI Committee passed by a vote of 46 to 41.
 - A motion was made by Schneider/Arnts to accept the results of the vote for the make-up of the District XI Committee. The motion passed unanimously.
 - Chairman Wabby will contact all of the private school Principals in District XI for their input with the private school position on the District XI Committee.
- B. Meeting Dates for Handbook Review Completion: Mr. Wabby
- Chairman Wabby will coordinate the next meeting after discussing this issue with the members of the handbook review committee. Mr. Wabby would like to complete the handbook review over the next two meetings.
 - Discussion of putting the draft of the handbook on the District XI website.
- C. Sportsmanship Award: Mr. Hartman
- Mr. Hartman reviewed the disqualification report from the PIAA.
 - Discussion of what the criteria should be for the Michael J.Meilinger Sportsmanship Award.
 - Mr. Hartman suggested that each League submit a nomination for the high school and junior high/middle school awards.
 - A motion was made by Nemes/Davis to have each League submit a recommendation for the High School and Jr. High/ Middle School Michael J. Meilinger Sportsmanship awards. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. New Business:

Mr. Wabby

- A. Basketball seeding/game assignments
- Mr. Schneider distributed the game assignments and information for the boys'/girls' basketball playoffs.
 - Chairman Wabby thanked Mr. Schneider, Mr. Kinder and Mr. Hauck for their dedicated work to organize the boys'/girls' basketball tournaments.
 - If coaches from another PIAA District come to a District XI game they must pay to get in unless they have a letter from their Principal.
- B. Letter from Tony Iasiello
- Discussion of the letter from Mr.Iasiello requesting an insurance rider from District XI. The Jr. High and JV wrestling tournaments that are sponsored by the District XI Coaches Association are not covered by PIAA insurance.
- C. PIAA Wrestling Tickets
- If Committee members would like their PIAA wrestling and basketball tickets they should email Chairman Wabby.
- D. Golf Matches
- Discussion of the Colonial Leagues suggestion of cutting golf matches to 14 holes.
- E. Football/Basketball Reimbursement from the PIAA
- Chairman Wabby informed the Committee that the PIAA is recommending the elimination of all reimbursements to the schools that compete in the PIAA football/basketball playoffs until the final game.
 - A motion was made by Kinder/Arnts to have Chairman Wabby vote no for the proposal to eliminate all reimbursements to schools that compete in the PIAA football/basketball playoffs until the final game. The motion passed unanimously.
 - A motion was made by Arnts/Welsh to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald L. Harakal, CAA
District XI Secretary

