

**DISTRICT 9
COMMITTEE MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2013**

The District 9 Committee held the January 16, 2013 meeting at Aiello's Cafe, Ridgway, PA. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Manners. The following members were present: Bud Brennen, Randy Cathcart, Roger Collins, Kevin Doverspike, Sandi Hanes, Dan Kysor, Jim Manners, Dave Osborne, Bob Tonkin, Bill Vassallo, Susan Valentine, Tim Walter, Bob Wicker, and Bonnie Wolbert.

A motion was made by Roger Collins and seconded by Bob Wicker to accept the minutes of the December 5, 2012 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE:

A motion was made by Bonnie Wolbert and seconded by Susan Valentine to accept the December treasurer's report. The motion carried unanimously.

Accounts payable were reviewed.

All fall sports financial reports, programs reports, merchandise reports, awards report, and entry fee report were given.

A motion was made by Susan Valentine and seconded by Bob Wicker to pay the spirit competition chairperson three hundred dollars. The motion carried unanimously.

A discussion was held concerning the district committee obtaining a small games of chance license. A motion was made by Bob Wicker and seconded by Bill Vassallo not to permit the district committee to purchase a small games of chance license. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A motion was made by Bob Wicker and seconded by Kevin Doverspike to approve a cooperative sport agreement between Coudersport Area High School and Galeton High School in boys' and girls' tennis and boys' and girls' track and field. The motion carried unanimously.

Note: All cooperative sports agreements must be made for the two year classification period.

Letters were received from the Keystone Shortway Athletic Conference and the Allegany Mountain League requesting permission to conduct championship basketball games. The motion carried unanimously.

The Annual Principals Meeting and Luncheon will be on April 25, 2013. More details will follow.

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE:

A motion was made by Tim Walter and seconded by Kevin Doverspike to instruct Chairman Manners to vote "yes" on the following items at the Board of Directors meeting:

To increase in school dues beginning the 2014-2015 school year by \$50.00 for senior high schools and \$25.00 for middle and junior high schools.

To increase the housing and meal fees for PIAA Track and Field Championships by \$5.00.

To increase tournament fees by \$25.00.

To increase ticket prices for inter-district semi-final games by \$2.00 for adult tickets (\$6.00 to \$8.00) and \$1.00 for student tickets (\$3.00 to \$4.00) beginning 2015-2016.

The motion carried unanimously.

Other items of interest included:

Beginning 2014 schools need to hire a cross country official.

Increased the amount of an award an athlete may receive from \$200.00 to \$500.00.

An appeal for a hearing must come from a schools' principal and not from a parent.

How to correct mistakes on reporting enrollment numbers will be discussed.

A "bullying-misconduct" clause will be added to the transfer rule.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Thus far, there have been 29 transfer requests presented to the district committee. The number of foreign exchange student requests has decreased.

A request is generally made to the home school for indoor athletic events inquiring if they would like to provide a student to sing the Nation Anthem. If they do not provide a singer, the visiting is asked.

If an out of the ordinary event occurred the day of the district cross country, the event could be held on Monday.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES:

AWARDS:

Medals will be presented at the district swimming and diving championship event.

OFFICIALS:

A motion was made by Bud Brennen and seconded by Sue Valentine to instruct Chairman Manners to write a letter to district schools explaining items that are permitted and not permitted at indoor district and inter-district events. The motion carried unanimously.

ELECTION:

The date to declare running for a position on the District 9 Committee is March 1, 2013.

SEEDING:

There will be a meeting prior to the June committee meeting to evaluate the seeding process in all sports.

SPORTSMANSHIP:

Thus far in District 9, there have been eleven disqualifications.

SPORTS SPECIFIC COMMITTEE:

FOOTBALL:

Prior to the June committee meeting the football committee will meet.

BASKETBALL, SWIMMING, AND WRESTLING:

Paperwork for the winter sports has been sent to district schools.

WRESTLING:

In team wrestling, "AA" schools will wrestle for a "true" second place.

SWIMMING AND DIVING:

The District 9 Swimming and Diving Meet will be at Clarion University on March 2, 2013. The coaches' meeting will be at 9:00 and the first event will be at 10:05.

A motion was made by Sandi Hanes and seconded by Bud Brennen to pay the officials \$150.00 for the event. There will be three sessions to complete the meet. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dave Osborne and seconded by Bill Vassallo to adjourn.
The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45.

The next meeting will be scheduled in February or March depending on the amount of business to be conducted.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Tonkin,
District 9 Secretary