

DISTRICT 9 COMMITTEE MEETING

APRIL 9, 2018

The District 9 Committee held the April 9, 2018 meeting at Aiello's Café in Ridgway, PA. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Manners. The following members were present: Bud Brennen, Randy Cathcart, Mike Erickson, Scott Daum, Kevin Doverspike, Peter Grecco, Bill Howard, Jim Manners, Dave Osborne, John Sherry, Matt Splain, Aaron Straub, Terry Straub, Bob Tonkin, Tim Walter, and Bonnie Wolbert.

A motion was made by Randy Cathcart and seconded by Scott Daum to approve the minutes of the March 2018 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE:

A motion was made by Bill Howard and seconded by Scott Daum to approve the March and April treasurer's reports. The motion carried unanimously.

Accounts receivable were reviewed.

Financial report for the District 9 Basketball Tournament was presented

The annual District 9 Audit Meeting will be on Monday July 9, 2018 at 9:00 at the Showers Field Complex in Dubois. Any person interested helping at the audit meeting please contact Mike Erickson or Bob Tonkin.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A motion was made by Randy Cathcart and seconded by Terry Straub to place DuBois Catholic High School on athletic probation from March 23, 2018 to December 31, 2019 (inclusive) for the failing to submit PIAA transfer forms for several student-athletes who transfer to DuBois Catholic High School. The violation occurred over a three year period. The district committee may place additional restrictions on DuBois Catholic High School. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE:

Chairman Manners gave a summary of the March 2018 Board of Directors and Competition Committee meetings.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

A date for the meeting between members of the District 9 Committee and certified athletic trainers will be scheduled prior to the June district committee meeting.

Possible changes in producing District 9 championship programs will be an agenda item at the June meeting.

A surcharge may be added to the cost for additional championship awards purchased by individual schools. The additional cost will be discussed at the June meeting.

Bud Brennen shared information from the Officials' Council meeting held on April 4, 2018. It is being recommended to the PIAA Board of Directors that anyone taking an online PIAA test to become a certified official be given one hundred twenty (120) minutes to complete the open-book test instead of the current ninety (90) minutes. Another recommendation is to give one credit to current officials for watching one **online** rules meeting. This one **online** rules meeting would be accepted as one of the required six meetings officials must attend.

SPORTS COMMITTEES:

TRACK AND FIELD: The District IX AA/AAA Track & Field meet will be held in Brookville on Friday, May 18th.

If unfavorable weather causes the meet to be postponed, the rain date is **Saturday, May 19th starting at 10:00 AM.**

BASKETBALL: The basketball committee will meet at 8:30 AM on June 13, 2108.

SWIMMING AND DIVING: The 2018 – 2019 District 9 Championship meet will be held at Clearfield Area High School.

TENNIS: District 9 Tennis Championship information will be sent out this week.

BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL: An update on the baseball and softball tournament was presented by Dave Osborne.

The baseball champion games will be played at Showers Field in DuBois.

The next District 9 Committee meeting will be on June 13, 2018 at Aiello's Café in Ridgway, PA. The starting time will be 8:30 AM for the basketball committee and the District 9 Committee meeting will begin at 9:30 AM.

The 2017 – 2018 District 9 Audit Meeting will be held on July 9th at 9:00 AM at the Showers Field Complex in Dubois.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Tonkin,

District 9 Secretary

ANNUAL PRINCIPALS MEETING:

The following items were discussed by various members of the District 9 Committee:

- 1. Audit report**
- 2. Sportsmanship Award**
- 3. Rain date time schedule for "AA" and "AAA" Track and Field meets**
- 4. Clarion University – Tippin Gym renovations**

The following items were discussed by Dr. Robert Lombardi, Executive Director of the PIAA, and Mr. Mark Byers of the PIAA.

- 1. Poster addressing Opioid Crisis**
- 2. Amendment – Article III, Attendance**
- 3. Religious headwear**
- 4. Postgame policy regarding spectators entering the competition surface**
- 5. Article VI, Transfers, Residence, and Recruiting**
- 6. Eligibility portal**
- 7. Competition Committee recommendations**
- 8. Prescription eyewear**
- 9. E-sports**
- 10. Coaching education**
- 11. NFHS Student Leadership Summit**
- 12. Concussion class action suit**
- 13. Appeal concerning officials being confirmed as independent contractors**
- 14. Web streaming**
- 15. Constitutional Amendment to PIAA Constitution**
- 16. Certified Athletic Trainers**

DISTRICT 9 COMMITTEE ELECTION:

Kevin Doverspike, Election Chairman, reviewed the process to run for a position on the district committee. The following people were elected to serve on the district committee for the 2018 – 2019 school year: Randy Cathcart, Bob Gearhart, Pete Grecco, Bill Howard, Jim Manners, Dave Osborne, Randy Reitz, John Stoughton, Aaron Straub, Terry Straub, and Tim Walter.

RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING:

The following were elected as officials for the 2018 – 2019 school year: Chairman - Jim Manners, Vice-Chairman - Aaron Straub and Secretary-Treasurer – Bob Tonkin

