

**DISTRICT 9
COMMITTEE MEETING
OCTOBER 16, 2019**

The District 9 Committee held the October 16, 2019 meeting at Aiello's Café in Ridgway, PA. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Aaron Straub. The following members were present: Bud Brennen, Kevin Doverspike, Mike Erickson, Bob Gearhart, Pete Grecco, Bill Howard, Bill Jordan, Tom Lesniewski, Dave Osborne, Randy Reitz, John Sherry, Terry Straub, Aaron Straub, John Stoughton, Bob Tonkin, and Bonnie Wolbert. Not attending the meeting were Kristie Bennardi, Melissa DeMatteis, and Randy Cathcart.

A motion was made by Bill Howard and seconded by John Stoughton to approve the minutes of the September 2019 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE:

A motion was made by Mike Erickson and seconded by Pete Grecco to approve the September and October 2019 treasurer's reports. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's reports are available upon written requests.

Accounts receivable and payable were reviewed.

The financial reports for District 9 golf tournaments were presented

COMMUNICATIONS:

Several volleyball officials voiced a concern that officials assigned to officiate a junior varsity volleyball tournament were replaced by coaches officiating the tournament. Information concerning the situation is requested from Clarion Area High School.

Information is being sought concerning the co-operative sports agreement between Ridgway Area High School and Johnsonburg Area High School in junior high boys and girls track and field.

TRANSFER REQUESTS:

Student #	From:	To:	Motion/Second:	Vote:
#30	Brookville	DuBois C. C.	Stoughton/T. Straub	Approved
#31	C - L	Union		Tabled to Nov. mtg.
#32	Canton	Coudersport		No vote needed
#33	Sackets Harbor	Bradford	Grecco/T. Straub	Approved
#34	Keystone	North Clarion	Stoughton/Erickson	Approved
#35	Shuren Middle	Elk C. C.	Howard/Grecco	Approved
#36	Fujian Fuzhou	Elk C. C.	Howard/Grecco	Approved

REQUEST FOR POST SEASON PARTICIPATION:

Student #	School:	Motion/Second:	Vote:
#26	West Forest	T. Straub/Jordan	Denied
#27	Clarion-Limestone	Doverspike/Wolbert	Approved

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS APPROVED:

A motion was made by Mike Erickson and seconded by Bill Jordan to approve the eligibility for the following foreign exchange students. The motion carried unanimously.

Student:	Country:	Host School:
#6	Italy	St. Marys
#9	Italy	North Clarion
#10	Mexico	Oswayo Valley
#11	Germany	Oswayo Valley

HEARINGS: None

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE:

Summary of the October 2, 2019 PIAA Board of Directors meeting was discussed. The summary has been sent to District 9 Principals and Athletic Directors and can be found on the PIAA website.

The next PIAA Board meeting will be December 4, 2019.

Motions that were passed and maybe passed with a "pending proper paperwork" stipulation were discussed.

District 9 will be assessed \$7,200.00 for PIAA legal settlement cost.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

The committee reviewed the monthly "transfer" report from DuBois Catholic High School.

A report was given by the seeding committee. The committee will meet prior to the November meeting and will have a final report on seeding for all district tournaments.

The committee to recognize officials who have officiated 50 years gave a report. A motion was made by John Sherry and seconded by Bud Brennen to present a plaque and a District 9 Lifetime Pass to officials who have officiated 50 years and a member of a District 9 officials' chapter. The motion carried unanimously.

Bradford Area High School will sponsor a unified sports program.

A concern was voiced that an official did not submit a disqualification report to the PIAA office. Bud Brennen will address the issue with the official and review the procedure District 9 officials.

Red card disqualification for handballs in the box will be an agenda item for the November meeting.

If an athlete practiced or participated in a sport, the district committee cannot waive the 21 days period.

The Mickiney Vento Act dealing with academic eligibility when an athlete is homeless was discussed. PIAA rules supersede the "homeless act."

A cooperative sports agreement between Forest Area High Schools and Abraxas is an agenda item for the November meeting.

Security at district events was discussed.

The District 9 Website is being updated.

SPORTS COMMITTEES: .

Please check your copy of Quick Facts for the tournament dates and information.

Cross Country – Information will be emailed to schools

Golf – The following procedure for rule violations will be used. All rulings will go to the club professional then to the golf chairperson. The rule described in the "rules book" should be noted. Any rule dispute should be addressed before the golfer signs his or her card.

Soccer - Information will be emailed to schools

Football - The seeding committee is evaluating the seeding power point system currently used.

Soccer - Information will be emailed to schools

Volleyball - Information will be emailed to schools

The meeting adjourned at 1:20.

The next District 9 Committee Meeting will be November 20, 2019 at Aiello's Café starting at 9:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Tonkin,
District 9 Secretary

