

**DISTRICT 9
COMMITTEE MEETING
OCTOBER 19, 2023**

The District 9 Committee held a committee meeting on October 19, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Aaron Straub. The following members were present: Bud Brennen, Shawn Deemer, Kevin Doverspike, Mike Erickson, Pete Grecco, Misty Hartle, Bill Howard, Dr. Bill Jordan, Dr. Tom Lesniewski, Anita Orton, Dave Osborne, Randy Reitz, John Sherry, Terry Straub, Aaron Straub, Bob Tonkin, Dr. Josh Williams, and Bonnie Wolbert.

Not attending the meeting was Scott Daum.

GUESTS:

Mr. Dave Sherman, Athletic Director at A C Valley High School, Bill Irwin, Athletic Director at Keystone High School, and Andy Carlson, Principal at Union High School, addressed the committee concerning reasons for a co-operative sports agreement between the three school districts. The committee thanked the gentlemen for their presentation.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Pete Grecco and seconded by Terry Straub to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2023 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE:

A motion was made by Terry Straub and seconded by John Sherry to accept the treasurer's reports for September 2023 and October 19, 2023. The motion carried unanimously.

Accounts payable and receivable were reviewed. A motion was made by Bill Howard and seconded by Bonnie Wolbert to approve the accounts receivable and payable report. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Bonnie Wolbert and seconded by Misty Hartle to accept the financial reports for district golf and tennis. The motion carried unanimously.

Game reports, media fees, and streaming fees were discussed. Waiving streaming fees for District 9 schools at District 9 playoffs events will be a future discussion item.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A letter was received from Clearfield Area High School concerning the conduct of a small number of coaches who were monitoring the District 9 Girls Championship Golf Tournament. The offending school's administration has addressed the issue to the satisfaction of the committee.

DuBois Central Catholic High School will present a report to the District Committee on their school's completed training session for their coaches at the next District Committee meeting.

A motion was made by Pete Grecco and seconded by Terry Straub to permit the District 9 Wrestling League to conduct a league championship. The motion carried unanimously.

Fall Junior High basketball leagues will use the 2022-2023 NFHS rules for free throw shooting. These rules include a one-and-one being awarded for the 7th, 8th, and 9th common foul committed each half and two free throws awarded for the 10th foul and beyond for each half.

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATES:

The next PIAA Board of Directors meeting will be on Wednesday, November 15, 2023.

A summary of the October 11, 2023 PIAA Board meeting can be found on the PIAA website.

The committee discussed the method of counting students participating in co-operative sports agreements.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

COOPERATIVE SPORTS AGREEMENTS:

<u>TRANSFER REQUESTS: (FOR 2023 – 2024 SCHOOL YEAR)</u>			<u>NONE</u>
<u>STUDENT #</u>			
<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Motion/Second</u>	<u>Approve/Deny</u>

<u>FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS APPROVED:</u>				<u>NONE</u>
<u>Student #</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Motion/Second</u>	<u>Approve/Deny</u>

<u>POST SEASON ELIGIBILITY REQUEST:</u>				
<u>Student #</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Motion/Second</u>	<u>Approve/Deny</u>

HEARINGS:

A hearing was held at the meeting to investigate an unsportsmanlike incident involving an athlete from Brockway Area High School. A motion was made by John Sherry and seconded by Randy Reitz to accept the actions taken by the Brockway Area School District Administration concerning this matter. The motion passed by a 14 to 2 vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES:

SPORTSMANSHIP:

In District 9 there have been 10 disqualifications this year. The committee discussed the procedure that schools need to follow for “Supplemental DQ’s”.

The new District 9 Website is now running. The website is www.piaad9.org Any schools that have feedback on the website, please contact any committee member.

SPORTS SPECIFIC COMMITTEES:

FOOTBALL, GOLF, CROSS COUNTRY, TENNIS, SOCCER, and VOLLEYBALL

Information has been emailed to District 9 schools.

Discussion was held concerning how rescheduling a forfeited game and rescheduling a game to replace the forfeited game should affect the rule concerning an athlete who was suspended for unsportsmanlike conduct.

A motion was made by Bill Howard and seconded by Terry Straub to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.

The next District 9 Committee Meeting will be on November 29, 2023 at 9:00 AM at Fox’s Pizza Den in Ridgway, PA.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Tonkin
District 9 Secretary