

BOARD OF CONTROL ACTION ITEMS SEPTEMBER 17, 2007



The September 17 meeting of the Board of Control was attended by R. Constantine, J. Fullen, J. Vallina, D. Cardone, P. Cherubin, D. Conn, T. Kushner, D. Matsook, B. Rocco, T. Shirey, B. Sinning, W. Suit, J. Thomas, F. Vulcano, R.

Wadding, and T. O'Malley. Also in attendance were M. Manzo and J. Collins.

The October 16 meeting of the Board of Control was attended by R. Constantine, J. Fullen, E. Antonini, D. Cardone, P. Cherubin, B. Cleary, D. Conn, T. Kushner, A. Lydon, D. Matsook, B. Rocco, L. Shultz, B. Sinning, W. Suit, J. Thomas, R. Wadding, and T. O'Malley. Also in attendance were M. Manzo and J. Collins.

ELIGIBILITY REVIEWS

Foreign Exchange Provision

The following foreign exchange students were granted eligibility under Article VII, Section 1 of the PIAA By-Laws:

- Chartiers Houston.....Li-Yun Chang
- Hempfield..... Andreas Matern
Andra Petruta
- Mars.....Anna Matias
- Montour.....Lauri Pelander
- Mt Lebanon.....Patricia Pintilescu
Gudny Johannsdottir
- Norwin.....Amanda Ricci
- Oakland Catholic.....Tanya Velojic
- Riverside.....Marius Klein
- Shenango.....Florian Hoegl
- Springdale.....Lea Stampe
- Steel Valley.....Martin Schmidt
- Waynesburg.....Masanari Nakamura

The following student was declared eligible as an F-1 Foreign Exchange International Student and is limited to one school year of eligibility under Article VII, Section 3 of the PIAA By-Laws:

- Pittsburgh CC.....Matias Otero

Transfer Provision

The following students were declared eligible under Article VI, Section 2I of the PIAA By-Laws:

- Ambridge.....Ibrahima Balde

- Beth Center.....Chelsie Lasosky
Darren Mackey
Joshua Morse
Destiny Howard
- Blackhawk.....Shane Packard
- Bishop Canevin.....Jacob Galasso
- Butler.....Jaquan West
- Canon McMillan.....Andrew Martin
- Canon McMillan.....Michael Martin
- Center.....James Bromley
- Chartiers Houston.....Zachary Eldens
- Deer LakesBrittany Holmes
Megan Romano
- Elizabeth Forward.....Garrett Wright
- Fort Cherry.....Desiree Dubina
Brandon Vettorel
- Fox Chapel.....Peter Duggan
- Greensburg Salem.....Courtney Hawk
- Greensburg C C.....Dohyun Hong
- Hempfield.....Teno Peleros
Chane DeValkeneer
Timothy Straka
- Jeannette.....Jerry Ventura
- Lincoln Park.....David McConnell II
Chris Vukelich
Michael Cox
- Mars.....Matthew Summerill
- Mohawk.....Jordan Sager
- Monessen.....John Maisano
Justin Key
Emanuel Nwabuogu
- Montour.....Jordan Meni
James Kilcrease
- Moon.....Ronald Borne II
- Mt Lebanon.....Brian O'Leary
- North Catholic.....Joshua Allison
Chad Evanuk
Matthew Raymond
Joshua Stajanovic
Zachariah Start
Grant Tillman
Mark Fashion
Meshak Mazie
- Norwin.....Grant Tillman
- Oakland Catholic.....Erin Cannon
Amanda Trueman
Annie Hart
- Our Lady of Sacred Heart.....Anthony Scappe
- Pittsburgh CC.....Devon Mancini
Oliver Girman
Ndubisi Ezekoye
- Riverview.....Sarah Fayard
- Seneca Valley.....Ian Toro
- Seneca Valley Intermediate.....Nicholas Marchi

Serra Catholic.....	Grace Geisler Alexis Cardill
Seton LaSalle.....	Nicholas Shrefler Chelsea Puharic
Sewickley Academy.....	Elizabeth Bantleon Karl McGregor Madalyn Sproull Owen Proctor Mary Wingert
Shady Side Academy.....	Patrick Joyal Jacob Bajada Elizabeth Snowman
Steel Valley.....	Robert Cannon Andrew McDonald
St Joseph.....	Joshua Carosella
Upper St Clair.....	Jacob Radziukinas
Vincentian Academy.....	Sean Maloney Andrew Drgon, III
Valley.....	Gregory Schifino
Yough.....	Darin King Jay Pore Dominique Steban

AGE PROVISION

The following student was denied relief from Article III, Section 3 of the PIAA By-Laws
 Apollo Ridge.....Evan Rupert

Attendance

The following student was denied an attendance waiver for participation in the athletic program under Article III, Section 3 of the PIAA By-Laws:

Rochester.....Nicholas Bruce

The following student was granted an attendance waiver for participation in the athletic program under Article III, Section 3 of the PIAA By-Laws:

West Greene.....Adam Crawford
 Rochester.....Shane Hettish
 Chartiers Valley.....Charles Simone

Participation

The following student was confirmed eligible effective September 12, 2007 provided he is eligible under all other aspects of the rules. This action was taken under Article III, Section 3 of the PIAA By-Laws:

Rochester.....Shane Hettish

ELIGIBILITY HEARINGS

Carlynton-Aaron Glad

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Aaron Glad from Bishop Canevin High School to Carlynton High School, the BOC declined to grant eligibility under Article VI, Section 4C and found that the transfer was motivated in some material way by an athletic purpose relating to football. Accordingly, the

BOC declared Aaron ineligible to participate in football only for a period of one year from the date of the transfer as provided in Article VI, Section 5 and 7B of the PIAA By-Laws. This action was taken under Article VI, Section 2I of the PIAA By-Laws

Greensburg Central Catholic – Marko Cukic

After reviewing the information and testimony presented, the BOC declared Marko Cukic eligible to compete as an International Student in the interscholastic athletic program at Greensburg Central Catholic High School for the 2007-08 school year. This action was taken under Article VII, Section 2 of the PIAA By-Laws.

Plum – Ndubisi Ezekoye

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Ndubisi Ezekoye from Plum to Central Catholic High School, the BOC declared the student eligible to compete in the interscholastic athletic program at Pittsburgh Central Catholic High School for the 2007-08 school year. This action was taken under Article VII, Section 2 of the PIAA By-Laws.

Waynesburg-Daniel Zimmerman

After considering the testimony and presentations made, a WPIAL BOC hearing panel has accepted the age waiver request submitted by Waynesburg High School on behalf of Daniel Zimmerman subsequently making Daniel eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics for the 2007-08 school year provided he is eligible in all other aspects of the rules.

Beaver Falls-Henderson

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Trevor Jones from Aliquippa High School to Beaver Falls High School, the BOC of the declared the student eligible for the 2007-08, effective May 4, 2007, the date of his transfer from back to Beaver Falls from Aliquippa.. This action was taken under Article VI, Section 2I of the PIAA By-Laws.

Serra-Gouch

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Karmyn Gouch from Mt Alvernia to Serra Catholic High School, a BOC hearing panel declared the student eligible to compete in the interscholastic athletic program at Serra Catholic for the 2007-08 school year, effective September 20, 2007. This action was taken under Article VI, Section 2I of the PIAA By-Laws.

Mt Lebanon – Christopher Jones

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Christopher Jones from Upper St Clair to Mt Lebanon High School, a BOC hearing panel declined to grant eligibility under Art. VI, Section 4C of the PIAA By-Laws and found that the transfer was in some material way motivated by an athletic purpose related to football. Christopher is ineligible to participate

in football for a period of one year from the date of transfer, August 28, 2007. The student is eligible immediately in all other sports.

Western Beaver – James Bainbridge

A WPIAL BOC Hearing Panel conditionally confirmed James Bainbridge eligible to compete in the interscholastic athletic program at Western Beaver High School for the 2007-08 school year, provided he is eligible in all other aspects of the By-Laws. James transferred from Western Beaver to Lincoln Park and then again from Lincoln Park to Western Beaver. Per Art. VI, Sect 3 & 4, the student was ineligible to participate until the BOC determined his eligibility. Since James did not participate in any sports during the 2006-07 school year, there are no requirements to forfeit.

However, the Western Beaver School District was delinquent in not adhering to the PIAA By-Law requirements; and the BOC determined the following action: 1) The Western Beaver High School administration, principal, and athletic director and principal are publicly censured for failure to adhere to PIAA By-Law requirements; 2) The Western Beaver administration must submit procedural guidelines outlining steps that future transfer cases adhere to PIAA By-Laws.

SCHOOL FORFEIT ACTIONS

Monessen

The BOC reviewed the information presented regarding the use of an ineligible boys' soccer player and determined the following action: 1) The Monessen High School boys' soccer coach, athletic director and principal are publicly censured for using an ineligible soccer player; 2) Monessen must forfeit all matches the player participated in; 3) The administration must submit procedural guidelines outlining steps that will insure the situation will not reoccur.

Hempfield

The BOC reviewed the information presented regarding the use of an ineligible football player and determined the following action: 1) The Hempfield High School football coach, athletic director and principal are publicly censured for using an ineligible football player; 2) The administration must submit procedural guidelines outlining steps that will insure the situation will not reoccur.

Serra Catholic

The BOC reviewed the information presented regarding the use of an ineligible girls' volleyball player and determined the following action: 1) The Serra Catholic High School girls' volleyball coach, athletic director and principal are publicly censured for using an ineligible soccer player; 2) Serra Catholic must forfeit all matches the player participated in; 3) The administration must

submit procedural guidelines outlining steps that will insure the situation will not reoccur

Rochester

The BOC reviewed the information presented regarding the use of an ineligible boys' golfer and determined the following action: 1) The Rochester High School boys' golf coach, athletic director and principal are publicly censured for using an ineligible soccer player; 2) Rochester must forfeit the five matches the player participated in; 3) The administration must submit procedural guidelines outlining steps that will insure the situation will not reoccur.

Shaler Area

The BOC determined that Shaler Area was in violation of PIAA rules regarding the inadvertent use of an ineligible II player in soccer. The school was required to forfeit all games in which the student participated and is required to submit procedural guidelines outlining steps that will insure this situation will not reoccur.

Shaler responded by submitting letters of forfeiture to schools in which the ineligible player participated and also submitted an acceptable plan preventing a recurrence.

Carlynton

The BOC reviewed the information presented regarding the use of an ineligible football player and determined the following action: 1) The Carlynton High School football coach, athletic director and principal are publicly censured for using an ineligible football player; 2) Carlynton must forfeit all games the player participated in; 3) The administration must submit procedural guidelines outlining steps that will insure the situation will not reoccur.

NOTE: The BOC subsequently received and approved the letters of forfeiture and guidelines for use of ineligible players from each of the schools listed above.

AUDIT REPORT

Wes Crease, representing the accounting firm of Creese, Smith, and Co presented the annual audit report of the financial position of the League as of June 30, 2007. According to Mr. Creese, the audit represents the financial position of the League at June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007 and the changes in its net assets and cash flow for the years then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Total assets for the year ending June 30, 2007 were \$405,379 compared to \$263,716 for the year ending June 30, 2006. The League's revenue share program resulted in \$374,957 being returned to schools participating in the football, basketball, soccer and team wrestling tournaments.



Allegheny Lawn & Golf

1241 Freedom Road • Cranberry Township, PA 16066
Phone 724-778-8210 • Toll Free Phone 1-800-245-2967
Fax 724-778-8206 • Toll Free Fax 1-800-551-5908

Allegheny Lawn & Golf is a turfgrass management supply company servicing several of the top golf courses in the Pittsburgh area, as well as professional landscapers, local municipalities, and athletic field managers. Our staff consists of turf experts skilled in maintenance of the highest quality turfgrass under the most extreme conditions. We offer superior service providing expert advice and free delivery of the highest quality turf products on the market. We carry a variety of chemicals, fertilizers, equipment, and much more. Let our staff visit you and assist you in development of a turf management plan that suits the needs of your athletic field.

Featured Equipment Lines, Chemicals, Fertilizer and Seeds

LAWN-BOY
Walk Behind Mowers

**COUNTRY
CLIPPER**
Zero Turn Mowers

shindaiwa
Hand Held Outdoor
Power Equipment

ALWAYS OUT FRONT
SMITHCO
Turf Maintenance Machinery

AerWay
Advanced Aeration Systems

**The
Andersons**
Granular Fertilizers and Pesticides

DIAMOND PRO
PROFESSIONAL GROUNDSKEEPING PRODUCTS

VENTRAC

**TURF
TEQ**
Bed Opening, Trenching, Grooming

eXmark
NOBODY DOES IT BETTER
Commercial Lawn Mowers and Turf Maintenance Equipment

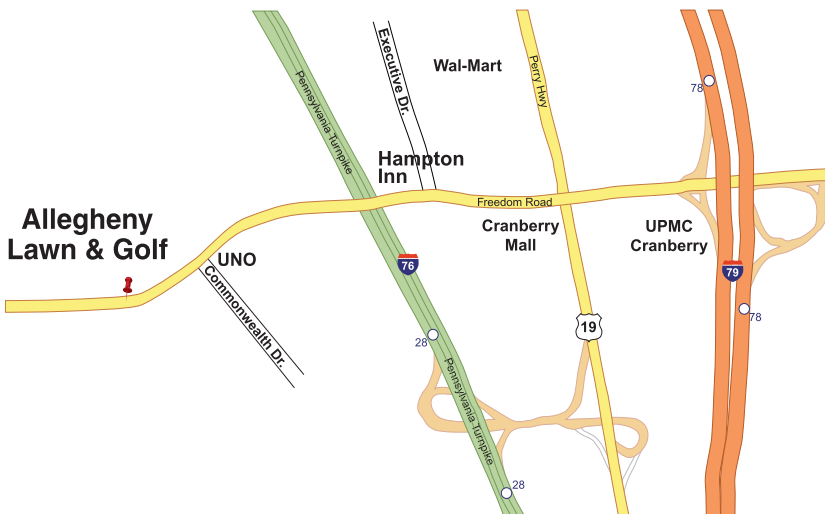
**JACKLIN
SEED**
Grass Seed

Parker
Grounds Maintenance Equipment

HELENA
Chemicals and Fertilizers

**Nature
Safe**
Organic Fertilizer

BUFFALO TURBINE
Debris Blowers, Top Dressers, Sprayers, Dusters



Directions To Our Location

- Take Interstate 79 North to Exit 78 (Cranberry / Mars / PA-228)
- Turn onto PA-228 West
- Continue straight across Route 19 onto Freedom Road
- The home of Allegheny Lawn & Golf is on the right side, less than 1 mile after you cross Route 19

Hours of Operation
Monday - Friday 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday - CLOSED

COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP TERMINATION

The BOC accepted the termination of the cooperative sponsorship between Beaver Area High School and Beaver Academic Charter School effective the close of the 2007-08 school year.

COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP CONTINUANCE

The BOC accepted the continuance of two cooperative sponsorships as follows:

Jefferson Morgan, Carmichaels, and Central Greene in varsity soccer for the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years.

California and Brownsville in soccer for the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years.

COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIPS APPROVED

The BOC accepted requests for a cooperative sponsorship agreements as follows:

Springdale and Riverview High Schools in the sport of varsity wrestling for the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years. Final approval is dependent upon receipt of required official documentation.

Laurel Highlands and Geibel High Schools in the sport of varsity boys' and girls' swimming for the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years. Final approval is dependent upon receipt of required official documentation.

South Allegheny and Serra Catholic High Schools in the sport of wrestling for the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years. Final approval is dependent upon receipt of required official documentation.

Once all documentation is submitted, both requests will be forwarded to the PIAA for their approval.

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARDS 2006-07

The WPIAL Sportsmanship Committee convened recently to select schools for the annual Sportsmanship Award. Four schools were selected as follows:

**Burgettstown High School
Indiana Area High School
Our Lady of Sacred Heart High School
Riverview High School**

Selections were made following a thorough review of applications submitted for the award. The schools selected submitted documentation, which supported the school's demonstration of good sportsmanship during the fall, winter, and spring seasons of the 2006-07 school year.

The 2006-07 Sportsmanship Award will be presented to representatives of each school at the football finals at Heinz Field on November 23, 2007.

WPIAL/FSN PITTSBURGH TELEVISION CONTRACT EXTENDED

The BOC approved an extension of the current three year contract with FSN Pittsburgh for a five year term to cover 2008/09 through 2012/13. Under the terms of the extension, FSN Pittsburgh will televise on an exclusive live basis each of the League's football championship final games through the 2012/13 school year.

In addition, FSN is granted a non-exclusive license to televise one game each during the preliminary (first, quarterfinal and semifinal) rounds of the WPIAL football play-offs through the 2012/13 school year.

INFORMATION AND REMINDERS

WPIAL Officials Honored

Congratulations to the following PIAA Officials from the WPIAL who were honored at the annual PIAA Official's Convention in August with the presentation of a PIAA OFFICIAL wristwatch. To qualify for the award, male officials must have 35 years and female officials 25 years of service.

James Allen	Baseball
John Chambers Jr.	Basketball
Eugene Falvo	Baseball
Ron Halbritter	Basketball, Football, Volleyball
Marshall Hanna	Baseball, Softball, Volleyball
Pete Rota Jr.	Football
James Sturtz	Basketball

WPIAL NEWSLETTER

Published by Western Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic League, Volume 07-08-No. 2, 615 Iron City Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15205.