

BOARD OF CONTROL ACTION ITEMS SEPTEMBER 2009 - NOVEMBER 2009



The September 21 Board of Control meeting was attended by: R. Constantine, D. Cardone, K. Charlton, P. Cherubin, W. Cleary, D. Conn, R. DuFalla, S. Heinauer, D. Matsook, L. Messich, J. Patton, B. Rocco, S. Seltzer, B. Sinning, T. Shirey, R.

Wadding, D. Zieger, and T. O'Malley. Also in attendance was J. Collins.

The October 19 Board of Control meeting was attended by: R. Constantine, J. Fullen, J. Vallina, D. Cardone, K. Charlton, P. Cherubin, W. Cleary, D. Conn, R. DuFalla, S. Heinauer, D. Matsook, L. Messich, J. Patton, B. Rocco, S. Seltzer, T. Shirey, W. Sinning, D. Zieger, and T. O'Malley. Also in attendance was J. Collins.

The November 16 Board of Control meeting was attended by: R. Constantine, J. Fullen, J. Vallina, D. Cardone, K. Charlton, P. Cherubin, W. Cleary, D. Conn, R. DuFalla, S. Heinauer, D. Matsook, L. Messich, J. Patton, B. Rocco, S. Seltzer, W. Sinning, R. Wadding, D. Zieger, and T. O'Malley. Also in attendance was J. Collins and M. anzo.

-Alexis Johnson
-Jeremy Johnson
-Andrew Ranallo
- Oakland Catholic.....Meghan Fogary
- Our Lady of Sacred Heart.....Eva Floreak
- Penn Trafford.....Casey Cameron
- Quaker ValleyBenjamin Stevenson
- Quigley CatholicLaura Haggerty
-Jamie Ponter
- RiverviewCaitlin Kumar
- Seneca ValleyMatthew Smith
- Seton LaSalleEric Horn
- Sewickley Academy.....Mauritz Maelzer
- Shady Side AcademyJoshua Pettengill
-William Ruppel
- SouthmorelandRobert Rowe
- St. Joesph.....Joshua Dymun
- Steel Valley.....Patrick O'Malley
- Trinity ChristianDaniel Denlinger
-William Green
-Morgan Jeffries
- UniontownBrett Bowers
- VincentianJohn Bray
-Salvatore Tommarello

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

- Beaver AreaMeghan Lavrusky
- Beaver FallsThomas Oliver
- Belle VernonDominick Francia
- Highlands.....Dorian Carver
- Laurel HighlandsBrian Lyon
- NeshannockWilliam Murray
- PlumLorenzo Williams
- ShalerAleece Morgan
- South Park.....John Gilmore
- Upper St ClairAlexander Poneleit

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

- ButlerDylan McAnallen
- Chartiers HoustonGrant McCarty
- Chartiers Valley.....Mariah Wells
- McKeesport.....Rashantala Murtaza
- MonessenChelsey Heath
- MoonJoseph Feldman
- Penn HillsLaMont Wright
- Sto-RoxKacy Capozzoli
-Shadale Taylor
- Uniontown.....Thomas Sparrow
- Washington.....Drew Manko

ELIGIBILITY REVIEWS

Transfer Provision

The following students were declared eligible under Article VI, Section 4A of the PIAA By-Laws:

- AvellaOlivia English
- Central CatholicBryton Penternel
-Michael Willams
- Deer LakesEmily Casello
- Fort CherryKelsey Laurine
-Mercedes Stamm
- Fox Chapel.....Chris Lisowski
- Franklin RegionalMark Boettger
- Greensburg Central CatholicCharles Horsley
-Nicolette Ingel
-Emily Parobek
- IndianaMaria Flores
- Jefferson MorganMiriah Hildebrand
- Lincoln ParkTaylor Horvath
- Kyle Taylor
- MontourSamantha Kelly
-Noe Romos
- MoonPatrick Gehring
- North Catholic Colin Gefert
-Anastasia Green

Foreign Exchange Provision

The following students were granted eligibility under Article VII, Section I CSIET sponsored J-1 Visa exchange students:

Belle Vernon.....	Katorina Nagyova
Bethel Park.....	Michele Gonzalez
Butler.....	Roberto Saldana
Derry.....	Edwin Aramburo
Ellwood City	Jessica Gassdorf
.....	Victoria Pinatto
Gateway.....	Fellix Nordhusen
Hempfield.....	Lena Zier
Indiana.....	Kaj Holmberg
.....	Tyrone Naggatis
.....	Daniel Osorio-Bosqued
.....	Hide Takashima
Kittanning.....	Luis Gonzalez
Mars.....	Marcus Hanaeus
McKeesport.....	Karin Thorsnes
Mt Pleasant.....	Piyachit Bumrngchit
Peters Twp.....	Daniel Ayesta
.....	Edouard DeBrouettes
Plum.....	George Halasi
.....	Giuseppe Scafura
Riverside.....	Taina Luehmann
Seneca Valley.....	Katharina Lutz
.....	Pierpalol Petrelli
.....	Clara Porwoll
.....	Felix Reimer
Serra Catholic	Michael Mercea
Steel Valley.....	Lukas Haizmann
.....	Thibault Henriet
South Side Beaver.....	Dayana Alvear
Valley.....	Judith Buescher
Woodland Hills.....	Matej Bezak
.....	Sthefania Ricci
.....	Felix Schmalenbach
.....	Thanaporn Tosanghai

Attendance

The following students were granted an attendance waiver under Article III, Section 3 of the PIAA By-Laws:

Deer Lakes	Jayme Gorham
Fox Chapel	Kelly Sheerer
Montour	Ariana Heter
Pine Richland	Bryan Nicklas

Period of Participation

The following student was denied a period of participation waiver under Article VIII, Section 6:

Franklin Regional.....	Sean Remaley
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ELIGIBILITY HEARINGS

Justin David-Mt Lebanon

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Justin David from Upper St Clair

High School to Mt Lebanon High School, the WPIAL BOC found that the transfer was motivated in some material way by an athletic purpose related to basketball. Accordingly, the panel declared Giovanni ineligible to participate in basketball only for a period of one year from the date of transfer, July 21, 2009. He is eligible immediately to participate in all other sports.

Giovanni Ellis-Rochester

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Giovanni Ellis from Avonworth High School to Rochester High School, the WPIAL BOC found that the transfer was motivated in some material way by an athletic purpose related to basketball. Accordingly, the panel declared Giovanni ineligible to participate in basketball only for a period of one year from the date of transfer, September 1, 2009. He is eligible immediately to participate in all other sports.

NOTE-Upon appeal, the PIAA reversed the WPIAL decision and ruled Giovanni Ellis eligible in basketball for the 2009-10 season.

Deonte Williams-Ambridge

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Deonte Williams from Quaker Valley High School to Ambridge High School, the WPIAL BOC declared the student eligible for the 2009-10 school year. This action was taken under Article VI, Section 2C of the PIAA By-Laws.

Andrae Boone-Highlands

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Andrae Boone from Valley High School to Highlands High School, a hearing panel of the WPIAL BOC declared the student eligible for the 2009-10 school year. This action was taken under Article VI, Section 4A of the PIAA By-Laws.

Quinton Pitts-Woodland Hills

After reviewing the information and testimony presented, the WPIAL BOC has granted the period of participation waiver request submitted by Woodland Hills High School on behalf of Quinton Pitts subsequently making Quinton eligible to participate in the interscholastic athletic program at Woodland Hills High School for the 2009-10 school year provided he is eligible in all other aspects of the rules. This action was taken under Article VIII, Section 6 of the PIAA By-Laws.

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, 2009. According to Mr. Creese, the audit represents the financial position of the League at June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2009 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, 2009 were \$528,313 compared to \$498,544 for the year ending June 30, 2008. The League's revenue share program resulted in \$245,404 being returned to schools participating in the football, basketball, soccer, and team wrestling tournaments.

COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP TERMINATION

The BOC accepted requests from the schools listed below to terminate the cooperative sponsorship agreement of the listed sport at the conclusion of the 2009-10 school year.

Serra Catholic/South Allegheny-Wrestling Quigley Catholic/Monaca-Wrestling West Shamokin/Ford City-Boys' Volleyball

The termination does not affect any of the other cooperative sponsorship of a sport agreements between the schools.

STEERING COMMITTEE CHANGES

The BOC approved changes in the league's steering committees as below:

Resignations

Daniel Brown.....Volleyball Committee
Maureen Ungarean.....Swimming Committee

Appointment

Mike Mastroianni, Quaker Valley AD..Volleyball Committee

PIAA DISTRICT VII ALTERNATE APPROVED

The BOC approved WPIAL Board of Control Dan Cardone as the second alternate representative of PIAA District VII effective immediately. Pam Cherubin was previously approved as the first alternate.

USE OF INELIGIBLE PLAYERS

Washington High School-Golf

The BOC reviewed the information presented regarding the use of an ineligible golfer and determined the following: (1) The Washington High School golf coach and athletic director are publicly censured for using an ineligible golfer; (2) The BOC accepted the Washington letters of forfeiture to opponents for use of an ineligible player; (3) The school must submit procedural guidelines outlining steps that will insure the situation will not reoccur.

The Board approved Washington High School's timely submission of the required procedural guidelines outlining steps to ensure the use of eligible student athletes.

Penn Trafford-Girls' Volleyball

The BOC reviewed the information presented regarding the use of an ineligible girls' volleyball player and

determined the following: (1) The Penn Trafford High School girls' volleyball coach, athletic director, and principal are publicly censured for using an ineligible player; (2) Because of the use of an ineligible volleyball player before receiving WPIAL Board approval, the Penn Trafford administration must submit procedural guidelines outlining steps that will insure this situation will not reoccur.

The Board approved Penn Trafford's timely submission of the required procedural guidelines outlining steps to ensure the use of eligible student athletes.

SOCCER SCRIMMAGE VIOLATION

Our Lady of Sacred Heart exceeded the maximum number of girls' soccer scrimmages. The WPIAL BOC determined the following regarding the violation: (1) The Our Lady of Sacred Heart High School girls' soccer coach, athletic director, and principal are publicly censured for exceeding the number of maximum scrimmages; (2) The School's girls' soccer program is on probation for a period of one year to expire September 3, 2010; (3) The school is permitted only one soccer scrimmage in the 2010-2011 season; (4) The school must submit procedural guidelines outlining steps that will insure this situation will not reoccur.

The Board approved Our Lady of Sacred Heart's timely submission of the required procedural guidelines outlining steps to ensure the maximum number of scrimmages and contests are not exceeded.

SOCCER MATCHES ABORTED

Quigley Catholic/Quaker Valley

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding an aborted soccer match between Quaker Valley and Quigley on October 15, 2009, the BOC determined the following: (1) The Quigley Head Boys' soccer coach is publicly censured for his decision to abort the soccer game prior to the scheduled conclusion; (2) The Quigley High School athletic director and principal are publicly censured for failure to take corrective action in response to the aborted soccer match; (3) The administration is directed to develop a plan outlining a proactive approach to effective administration of all soccer matches that will be used for the 2010 season; (4) The Quigley High School boys' soccer program is on probation through the conclusion of the 2010-2011 season; (5) The Quigley High School administration is directed to have the boys' soccer coaches attend a coaching education class and submit documentation of attendance and completion of class prior to August 10, 2010.

Penn Hills/Woodland Hills

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding an aborted soccer match between Penn Hills and Woodland Hills on November 16, 2009 the BOC determined the following: (1) The Penn Hills High School and Woodland Hills High School head soccer coaches are

publicly censured for their inability to control their respective benches resulting in players coming onto the field to participate in an altercation; (2) Both Penn Hills and Woodland Hills must have an administrator at both home and away soccer matches between the two schools during the 2009-10 season; (3) Penn Hills and Woodland Hills each must develop a program to ensure that on a seasonal basis preseason meetings are held with coaches and athletic administrators and coaches and players to review rules, regulations, and expectations. Sportsmanship and sideline control must be covered in these meetings. The agenda for these meetings must be submitted by June 1, 2010; (4) The administration of each school is directed to have the both boys' soccer head coaches attend a coaching education class and submit documentation of attendance and completion of class prior to August 1, 2010.

FOOTBALL COACH INAPPROPRIATE ACTIONS

After hearing the testimony and facts presented, the BOC determined the following: (1) The Apollo Ridge Head Varsity Football Coach is publicly censured for his unsportsmanlike conduct toward the PIAA Officials working an Apollo Ridge game on September 18, 2009; (2) The Apollo Ridge High School varsity football program is on probation through the conclusion of the 2009-2010 season; (3) The Apollo Ridge High School administration is directed to have the varsity football coach complete a coaching education class and submit documentation of attendance and completion of class prior to June 30, 2010; (4) The Apollo Ridge High School administration must suspend the varsity football coach for the October 3, 2009 football contest; (5) The Apollo Ridge High School administration is required to send letters of apology to all concerned with this incident.

TENNIS LADDER VIOLATION

The BOC reviewed the information presented regarding a girls' tennis ladder line-up violation and determined the following: (1) The Seneca Valley High School Girls' Tennis Coach is publicly censured for a tennis ladder line-up violation; (2) Seneca Valley must forfeit the September 8, 2009 contest with North Hills in which the ladder line-up violation occurred.

DISQUALIFIED COACH IN ATTENDANCE AT GAME

The WPIAL BOC accepted the actions of its BOC Executive Committee against the Head Girls' Soccer Coach at Mars High School. After being disqualified from a contest on September 21, 2009, the head girls soccer coach was in violation of PIAA By-Laws, Article XIII, Section 8A which states that "any coach who is disqualified from a contest by a registered contest official shall be disqualified on the next contest date". On the next contest date, September 23, 2009, the coach was in attendance for the North Hills at Mars soccer game.

Article XIII, Section 3A of the PIAA By-Laws mandates that the school forfeit all matches in which an ineligible coach participates. Accordingly, the Executive Committee directed Mars to forfeit in writing the girls' soccer game played on September 23, 2009 with North Hills High School.

The Executive Committee also directed the coach to serve an additional game day penalty by staying away at any of the three games that remained on the Mars schedule. Mars High School administration has complied with all aspects of the decision.

INFORMATION AND REMINDERS

WPIAL SPONSORS

2009-10

The WPIAL is pleased to present their sponsors for the 2009-10 school year. Please give each of these sponsors your consideration.

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WPIAL SPORTS REPORT

2009 FALL SPORTS TEAM CHAMPIONS

- **Boys' Cross Country**

AA Quaker Valley
AAA North Allegheny

- **Girls' Cross Country**

AA Quaker Valley
AAA Norwin

- **Field Hockey**

AA Shady Side Academy
AAA Peters Twp.

- **Football**

A Clairton
AA Greensburg CC
AAA West Allegheny
AAAA Woodland Hills

- **Boys' Golf**

Division 1 Greater Latrobe
Division 2 Bishop Canevin

- **Girls' Golf**

Shady Side Academy

- **Boys' Soccer**

A Greensburg CC
AA Mars
AAA Mt Lebanon

- **Girls' Soccer**

AA Springdale
AAA Seneca Valley

- **Girls' Tennis**

AA Sewickley Academy
AAA Peters Twp.

- **Girls' Volleyball**

A West Shamokin
AA West Allegheny

AAA Mt Lebanon

2009 FALL SPORT INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY

AA –Evan Miller, Laurel
AAA –Ryan Gil, North Allegheny

GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY

AA –Sarah Miller, Quaker Valley
AAA –Jenna Gigliotto, Norwin

BOYS GOLF

Ben Gjebre, GreaterLatrobe

GIRLS GOLF

Nadia Luttner, Fox Chapel

GIRLS TENNIS

AA Singles-Ronit Yurovsky, Plum
AAA singles-tanya timko, Chartiers Houston

AA Doubles-Olivia Heim & Taylor Perz, Pine Richland
AAA Doubles–Susie Soltis & Madeline Leo, Greensburg CC

NFHS HONORS JACK FULLEN

At the annual National Athletic Directors Conference on December 14, Blackhawk High School Athletic Director, Jack Fullen, will be one of eight athletic directors nationwide to receive a NFHS Awards Citation. NFHS citations are presented annually to outstanding athletic directors in recognition of contributions to interscholastic athletics at the local, state and national levels.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS PARTICIPATION

Despite cutbacks in funding in many high schools across the country, participation in high school sports increased for the 20th consecutive year establishing records for boys and girls participants. According to the 2008-09 High School Athletic Participation Survey conducted by the NFHS, participation for 2008-09 school year set an all-time high of 7,536,753. In addition boys and girls participation figures reached an all-time high, with 3,114,091 girls and 4,422,662 boys participating in 2008-09. Based on the survey it was determined that 55.2 % of students enrolled in high schools participate in athletics.

With an increase of 4,0176 participants, 11-player football again was No. 1 for boys this year with 1,112,303 participants. Outdoor track and field supplanted basketball as the most popular girls sport with 457,732 participants. Lacrosse is one of the emerging sports with an additional 9,5790 participants in 2008-09.

The complete 2008-09 Participation Survey is available on the NFGHS web site www.nfhs.org.

CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF COURSES

The 2005 boys and girls individual and team golf championships were contested at different golf courses. The WPIAL is appreciative of the support and cooperation of the ownership and management of the following courses who have provided their facilities for the 2005 golf championships.

Boys' Sectional Tournaments

Madison Golf Club
 Quicksilver Golf Club
 Pleasant Valley Country Club
 Brackenridge Heights Country Club
 Village Green Golf Course
 Butlers Golf Course
 Highland Country Club
 Willowbrook Country Club
 Buffalo Golf Course
 Hickory Heights Golf Club
 Lenape Heights Golf Course
 New Castle Country Club
 Fox Run Golf Club
 Frosty Valley Golf Course
 Cedarbrook Golf Course

Girls' Sectional Tournaments

Cherry Creek Golf Course
 Lenape Heights Golf Course
 Shadow Lakes Country Club
 Hickory Heights Golf Club

Individual Semifinals-Boys'

Links at Spring Church
 Pittsburgh National Golf Club
 Champion Lakes Golf Course
 Lindenwood Golf Club

Individual Championships-Boys'

Butler Country Club

Individual Championships-Girls'

South Hills Country Club

Boys' Team Semifinals

Donegal Highlands Golf Course
 Indian Run Golf Club
 Castle Hills Golf Course
 Pheasant Ridge Golf Club

Boys' and Girls' Team Finals

Cedarbrook Golf Course

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WPIAL "OFFICIAL BALL" LIST 2009-10

A summary of all "Official Balls" for the 2009-10 school year and beyond is listed below:

SPORT	MANUFACTURER	OFFICIAL BALL	EXPIRATION
Football	Spalding	J5V	June 30, 2011
Soccer - B & G	Select Sport	Royale 01-253	June 30, 2012
Volleyball - B&G	Spalding	TF5000	June 30, 2011
Basketball - B	Spalding	TF1000 ZK PRO	June 30, 2014
Basketball - G	Spalding	TF1000 ZK PRO 28.5	June 30, 2014
Baseball	Diamond	D1-NFHS or D1-PRO-NFHS	June 30, 2012
Softball	Spalding-Dudley	SB-12	June 30, 2011

Schools qualifying for WPIAL post-season play in the sports specified above must compete with the WPIAL "Official Ball" provided for use in WPIAL District champion play (preliminary round through final, inclusive). While member schools are encouraged to use the WPIAL "Official Ball" during the regular season, they are not required to do so.

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