

BOARD OF CONTROL ACTION ITEMS ~ JUNE, 2012

The June 18 meeting of the Board of Control was attended by: J. Fullen, J. Vallina, D. Cardone, K.



Charlton, W. Cleary, P. Cherubin, T. Evans, C. DeVivo, R. DuFalla, S. Heinauer, L. Messich, J. K. Williams, J. Patton, B. Rocco, W. Sinning, and T. O'Malley. Also in attendance were B. Simmons, and J. Collins.

The June 26 meeting (Hearing Panel) of the Board of Control was attended by: J. Fullen, D. Cardone, M. Allison, D. Conn, K. Charlton, P. Cherubin, T. Evans, S. Heinauer, J. Patton, S. Seltzer, K. Williams, and T. O'Malley. Also in attendance were B. Simmons, and J. Collins.

ELIGIBILITY REVIEWS

Transfer Provision

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

Central Valley.....Jaquan Pennington
Jacob St. George
Anthony Williams
Gateway.....Deon Baker

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

Bishop Canevin.....Rebecca Vanek
Connellsville Benjamin Kisiel
Luke Kisiel
Imani Christian Academy Brian Howard
Trevor Perry
Kevin Wells
Sharon Wilson
Greensburg Central Catholic.....Rebecca Reuss
North Catholic Jared Fragapane
Timothy Gill
Ryan Peluso
Norwin.....Curtis Perz
Peters Twp Connor Pope
Trinity Christian AcademyJanea Berkley
Vincentian Academy.....Natasha Petrisko

ELIGIBILITY HEARINGS

Connellsville-Jordan McCrea

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Jordan McCrea from Greensburg Central Catholic High School to Connellsville

High School, the WPIAL BOC declared the student eligible for interscholastic athletics at Connellsville for the 2012-13 school year, provided he is eligible in all other aspects of the rules. The effective date of this eligibility is June 26, 2012. This action was taken under Article VI, Section 4A of the PIAA By-Laws.

Hempfield-Logan Swan

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Logan Swan from Greensburg Central Catholic High School to Hempfield Area High School, the WPIAL BOC declared the student eligible for interscholastic athletics at Hempfield for the 2012-13 school year, provided he is eligible in all other aspects of the rules. The effective date of this eligibility is June 26, 2012. This action was taken under Article VI, Section 4A of the PIAA By-Laws.

Connellsville-Zachary Cree

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Zackary Cree from Greensburg Central Catholic High School to Connellsville High School, the WPIAL BOC found that the transfer was motivated in some material way by an athletic purpose related to football. Accordingly, the panel declared Zackary Cree ineligible to participate in football only for a period of one year from the date of transfer, June 5, 2012. He is eligible to participate in all other sports. This action was taken under Article VI, Section 4C of the PIAA By-Laws.

Greater Latrobe-Matthew Cullen

After reviewing the information and testimony presented regarding the transfer of Matthew Cullen from Greensburg Central Catholic High School to Greater Latrobe 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 Matthew Cullen ineligible to participate in basketball only for a period of one year from the date of transfer, June 4, 2012. He is eligible to participate in all other sports. This action was taken under Article VI, Section 4C of the PIAA By-Laws.

Sewickley Academy-Hunter Ligo

After reviewing the information and testimony presented, the BOC granted a limited period of participation waiver request submitted by Sewickley Academy on behalf of Hunter Ligo subsequently making Hunter eligible to participate in the interscholastic athletic program in all sports except lacrosse for the 2012-13 school year at Sewickley Academy. This action was taken under Article VIII, Section 6B of the PIAA By-Laws which states a waiver cannot be granted unless the student participated in no more than 25% of the maximum number of regular season contests in the

sport during the school year or semester which was subsequently repeated. The effective date of this eligibility in all sports except lacrosse is June 26,

2012-13 BUDGET APPROVED

The WPIAL Budget Committee developed and approved a preliminary budget at planning meetings in May, 2012. Following discussion and modification, the WPIAL BOC adopted a \$1,818,014 operating budget for the year ending June 30, 2013. The operating budget represents a \$31,705 increase from the 2011-12 operating budget.

The 2012-13 budget includes the following:

- To maintain the dues at \$150 for high schools and \$50 for junior high schools.
- To implement a revenue share ratio at 45% for schools and 55% for the League.
- To monitor costs carefully in daily operations and venue procurement for championship events.
- To grant a \$5.00 increase to contest officials for each event they serve as an official.

COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIPS APPROVED

Burgettstown-Avella

The BOC conditionally accepted the request of Burgettstown and Avella High Schools to form a cooperative sponsorship of a sport agreement in junior high football and wrestling beginning with the 2012-2013 school year with Burgettstown as the host school. The conditional acceptance is based on the fact that the combined enrollments do not change the assigned classification. The request was forwarded to the PIAA for their final approval.

Vincentian Academy-Aquinas Academy-Eden Park Christian School

The BOC conditionally accepted the request of Vincentian Academy, Aquinas Academy, and Eden Park Christian School to form a cooperative sponsorship of a sport agreement in football beginning with the 2012-2013 school year with Vincentian Academy as the host school. The conditional acceptance is based on the fact that the combined enrollments do not change the assigned classification. The request was forwarded to the PIAA for their final approval.

COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP DENIED

The BOC denied the request for cooperative sponsorship of a sport between the Beaver Area School District and the Midland Boro School District to form a cooperative sponsorship of a sport agreement in middle school sports. This decision was based on the fact the two districts are not contiguous or overlapping per PIAA By-Law Article III, Section II A-6.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS ACCEPTED-LAUREL HIGHLANDS

The BOC accepted the action plan submitted by Laurel Highlands administration. The plan will make certain that the school will enter individuals in the track and field qualifiers consistent with PIAA rules and regulations.

OFFICE SPACE LEASE RENEWAL

The BOC approved a new five-year lease Agreement for the present office space with Vision Financial commencing July 1, 2012 through December 1, 2017. The financial terms of the new lease are the same as the previous lease with no increase in the lease payment.

FIFTH ANNUAL HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

The Sixth Annual WPIAL Hall of Fame banquet and induction ceremony was held on Friday, June 1, 2012 at the Greentree Radisson Hotel. A record crowd of 566 attended the banquet.

Inductees in the 2012 class include the following by category: **Athletes**: Sean Miller – Basketball – Blackhawk High School, Frank Fuhrer III – Golf – Fox Chapel High School, Kelly Kovach Schoenly – Softball, Basketball – Baldwin High School, Neil Walker – Football, Baseball – Pine Richland High School, Ron Sepic – Football, Basketball – Uniontown High School, Mel Nash – Swimming – Gateway High School, Derek Bochna – Football, Baseball, Basketball – Mapletown High School, Jess Strom – Soccer, Basketball – Steel Valley High School; **Coaches** – Charles Wagner – Football – Springdale, Fox Chapel, and Riverview High Schools, John Miller – Basketball – Blackhawk High School, Andrew Urbanic – Football – Penn Hills High School; **Contest Officials** – Zigmund Red Mihalik (posthumous) – Football and Basketball; **Contributor** – Bob Bleggi – WPIAL Track Committee; **Teams** – 1989 Upper St Clair High School – Football, 1959-1960, Farrell High School – Basketball; **Heritage** – Robert “Red” Worrell – Football, Track, Basketball, and Baseball.

In 2009, the WPIAL instituted a Courage Award to be given annually at the Hall of Fame Induction Banquet. The WPIAL Hall of Fame will induct each year a person who has demonstrated extraordinary courage in the midst of difficult circumstances while serving as an inspiration and role model to others in a positive way. Persons considered for the award must have been involved in a WPIAL interscholastic athletic program as a participant or supporter, coach, contest official, athletic administrator, or contributor to the League.

The WPIAL also presented the annual Courage Award at the banquet. The 2012 recipient of the Courage Award are Mark and Sara Pilarski of Hampton High School.

Mark and Sara are brother and sister who participated in interscholastic athletics with serious medical problems.

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD APPLICATIONS

Sportsmanship Award application materials were e-mailed to all athletic directors. Any member school principal or athletic director who did not receive the materials should contact the League Office and The materials will be sent to you. The deadline for submission of Sportsmanship Award applications has been extended to August 17, 2012.

SPORTS REPORT

WPIAL SPRING SPORTS CHAMPIONS 2012 TEAM CHAMPIONS

- **Baseball**
 Class A Neshannock
 Class AA Ellwood City
 Class AAA Blackhawk
 Class AAAAA Seneca Valley

- **Softball**
 Class A Chartiers Houston
 Class AA Deer Lakes
 Class AAA Montour
 Class AAAAA Canon McMillan

- **Boys Tennis**
 Class AA Sewickley Academy
 Class AAA Shady Side Academy

- **Boys' Track**
 Class AA Washington
 Class AAA Hempfield

- **Girls' Track**
 Class AA Freeport
 Class AAA Hempfield

- **Girls Lacrosse**
 Div. 1 Peters Twp.
 Div. 2 North Hills

- **Boys Lacrosse**
 Div. 1 Seneca Valley.
 Div. 2 Hampton

- **Boys' Volleyball**
 Class AA Derry Area
 Class AAA North Allegheny

TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP SUMMARY 2011-12

Sixty-One team champions were crowned in 25 sports in 2011-12. Schools garnering two or more team champions include:

- North Allegheny** – 5: (Football-AAAA, Boys' Cross Country-AAA, Boys Volleyball-AAA, Girls' Swimming-AAA, Boys-Swimming-AAA)
- Upper St Clair** – 3: (Boys Golf-Div. 1, Boys Soccer-AAA, Girls Soccer-AAA)
- Quaker Valley** – 2: (Boys' Cross Country-AA, Girls' Cross Country-AA)
- Peters Twp.** – 2: (Girls' Lacrosse-Div. 1, Girls' Tennis-AAA)
- Shady Side Academy** – 3: (Boys' Tennis-AAA, Girls' Golf-Div. 1, Field Hockey)
- Seneca Valley** – 3: Boys' Lacrosse-Div. 1, Baseball-AAAA, Girls' Volleyball-AAA)
- North Hills** – 2: (Girls' Cross Country-AAA, Girls' Lacrosse-Div. 2)
- Seton LaSalle** – 2 (Boys' Soccer-A, Girls' Basketball-AA)
- Hampton** – 2: (Boys' Soccer-AA, Boys' Lacrosse-Div. 2)
- Neshannock** – 2: (Boys' Golf-Div. 2, Baseball-A)
- Montour**-2:(Football-AAA, Softball-AAA)
- Sewickley Academy** – 2: (Boys' Tennis-AA, Girls' Tennis-AA)
- Hopewell** – 2; (Girls' Volleyball-AA, Girls' Basketball-AAA)
- Hempfield**-2: (Boys' Track-AAA, Girls' Track-AAA)
- Canon McMillan**-2:(Wrestling-AAA, Softball-AAAA)

WPIAL STATE CHAMPIONS 2011-12

Team

Clairton Class A Football
 Peters TwpAAA Girls Soccer
 Mars AreaAA Girls Soccer
 Peters Twp AAA Girls Tennis
 Sewickley AcademyAA Girls Tennis
 Shady Side AcademyGirls Golf
 Seton LaSalle.....AA Girls Basketball
 Canon McMillan.....AAA Wrestling
 Neshannock.....AA Softball
 Riverside.....AA Baseball.

**"OFFICIAL BALL" LIST
2012-13**



WPIAL OFFICIAL BALLS

Sport	Manufacturer	Official Ball	Exp. Date
Football	Spalding	SB1	6-30-17
Volleyball	Spalding	TF5000	6-30-17
Basketball Boys	Spalding	TF1000 Legacy	6-30-17
Basketball Girls	Spalding	TF1000 Legacy 28.5	6-30-17
Softball	Spalding -Dudley	SB-12	6-30-17

OFFICIAL GOLF SPONSOR

GOLF GALAXY

**OFFICIAL TRACK /CROSS
COUNTRY SPONSOR**



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.

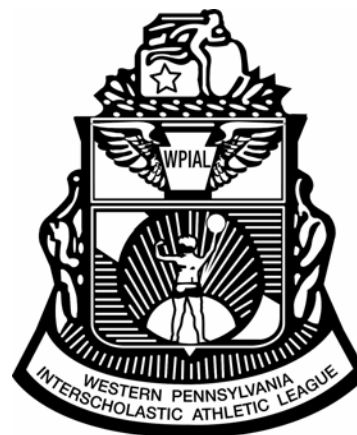
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PIAA OFFICIAL BALLS

Sport	Manufacturer	Official Ball
Baseball	Wilson	A1010BPENN
Soccer	Brine	Championship

The above listed PIAA Official Balls must be used for competition by schools qualifying for WPIAL post-season play in baseball and soccer



WPIAL OFFICIAL SPONSORS



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