

ELIGIBILITY HEARINGS

Beaver Falls – Gerald Vukovcan

After considering the information and testimony presented at the hearing on April 30, 2019, the BOD Hearing Panel declared Gerald Vukovcan eligible to compete in the postseason in baseball under Article VI, Section 2B of the PIAA By-Laws.

Burrell – Elijah Ferres

After considering the information and testimony presented at the hearing on April 30, 2019, the BOD Hearing Panel denied the request to permit Elijah Ferres postseason eligibility in baseball under Article VI, Section 2B of the PIAA By-Laws.

Franklin Regional – Alexandra Coker

After considering the information and testimony presented at the hearing on April 2, 2019, the BOD Hearing Panel declared Alexandra Coker eligible to compete in the postseason in track and field under Article VI, Section 2B of the PIAA By-Laws.

Moon – Antonia Schaefer

After considering the information and testimony presented at the hearing on April 2, 2019, the BOD Hearing Panel denied the request to permit Antonia Schaefer post-season eligibility in track and field and softball under Article VI, Section 2B of the PIAA By-Laws.

North Catholic – Billie Aguglia

After considering the information and testimony presented at the hearing on April 2, 2019, the BOD Hearing Panel denied the request to permit Billie Aguglia postseason eligibility in softball under Article VI, Section 2B of the PIAA By-Laws.

Penn Hills – Jozef Bozeman

After considering the information and testimony presented at the hearing on April 2, 2019, the BOD Hearing Panel declared Jozef Bozeman eligible to compete in the postseason in track and field under Article VI, Section 2B of the PIAA By-Laws.

Serra Catholic – Kaitlyn Conard

After considering the information and testimony presented at the hearing on April 2, 2019, the BOD Hearing Panel denied the request to permit Kaitlyn Conard postseason eligibility in softball under Article VI, Section 2B of the PIAA By-Laws.

Valley – Matteo Vergerio

After reviewing the information and testimony presented at the hearing on April 2, 2019 regarding the transfer of Mateo Vergerio from Deer Lakes High School to Valley High School, the WPIAL BOD Hearing Panel declined to grant eligibility in baseball only for a period of one year from the date of transfer of February 26, 2019 under Article VI, Section 4C of the PIAA By-Laws.

West Allegheny – Mason Timko

After considering the information and testimony presented at the hearing on April 30, 2019, the BOD Hearing Panel declared Mason Timko eligible to compete in the postseason in baseball under Article VI, Section 2B of the PIAA By-Laws.

INELIGIBLE STUDENT ATHLETE

Mars - Response to Petersen Events Center Seat Damage

The BOD censured the administration, accepted the administration's procedural plan to ensure effective supervision of student body at interscholastic athletic events, and accepted the letter of apology to the general manager of Petersen Events Center for seats that were damaged by the student body at the WPIAL basketball championship game.

Ambridge - Ineligible Student Athlete

The BOD censured the administration, placed the track and field program on probation for a period of one year through June 30, 2020, required the administration to forfeit the meets the ineligible athlete participated in 2017-2018, disqualified the track and field coach, Mr. Jonathan Kowal from coaching any team at any PIAA member school for a period of one calendar year through April 17, 2020 for the participation of an ineligible student athlete in track and field during the 2017-2018 school year.

Clairton - Relief of Imposed Sanctions

The BOD denied the administration's request for relief of sanctions imposed in February 2018.

COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP(S)

Aquinas Academy & Vincentian Academy-Baseball

The BOD accepted the request from Aquinas Academy & Vincentian Academy to form a cooperative sponsorship of a sport agreement in varsity baseball beginning the 2019-2020 school year with Vincentian Academy as the host school as per the approved resolution signed by both school boards.

Softball Championships

The BOD approved Peterswood Park for the site of the 2018-2019 Softball Championships.

STEERING COMMITTEE RESIGNATION

The Board of Directors accepted the resignation of David Bender from the Tennis Steering Committee.

BUDGET COMMITTEE APPROVED

Upon the recommendation of President Seltzer, the BOD approved the following persons to serve on the Budget Committee to assist in developing the 2019-2020 budget:

Scott Seltzer	Bill Sinning
Michael Allison	Patrick Mannarino
Tom Evans	Amy Scheuneman

BOD ELECTION RESULTS

The results of the Board of Directors election for 2019-2020 were announced at the Annual Meeting on April 17, 2019, by Jim Hune representing the accounting firm of Creese, Smith, & Co. Listed in alphabetical order, the elected members of the 2019-2020 BOD are:

Mike Allison Principal, Hopewell HS
Kathy Charlton Principal, Hempfield Area HS
Bill Cleary Athletic Director, Serra HS
Tom Evans Athletic Director, Yough HS
Alvin Gipson Principal, Aliquippa HS
Heather Lewis Athletic Director, Seneca Valley HS
Patrick Mannarino Sup't., North Hills SD
David McBain Athletic Director, West Allegheny HS
Scott Seltzer Ass't Sup't, Chartiers Valley SD
Ken Williams Dir. Of Technology, Mt. Pleasant HS

BOD REORGANIZATION

Pursuant to the PIAA Constitution, the following were re-elected as WPIAL Officers by the BOD for the 2019-2020 school year:

BOD Officers

President Scott Seltzer
Vice President Patrick Mannarino
Treasurer Michael Allison

PIAA BOD Representatives

District VII President Scott Seltzer
District VII Vice President Patrick Mannarino
District VII Treasurer Michael Allison
District VII First Alternate David McBain
District VII Second Co Alternate Pam Cherubin
District VII Second Co Alternate William Cleary

Parent Representatives to BOD

Dan Conn Seneca Valley School District
Jeannine Patton North Hills School District

WPIAL SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARDS

Member school principals submitted 65 female and 60 male applications for the 2018-2019 scholar-athlete awards. After an intensive review of each application, the Scholarship Committee selected ten male and ten female winners. A one-time \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to each of the winners during the first year of study at the college of his/her choice. The 20 scholar athletes will be honored at a luncheon with their parents, principal, and athletic director at the DoubleTree Hotel on May 13, 2019. In addition to the scholarship, each student will be presented an attractive shadow box plaque as a permanent token of his/her selection. In the event that the student athlete is unable to accept the stipend, the scholarship will be deposited in the WPIAL Scholarship Trust Fund in memory of the student awardees.

In addition, each student from a member school who submitted an application will receive an attractive certificate symbolizing each as the WPIAL Scholar Athlete for their school.

Scholar Athletes

Madyln Aulbach	Blackhawk
Matthew Barish	Carmichaels
Cameron Binda	Greensburg Salem
Joseph Bujdos	Indiana
Allison DeJidas	Freeport
Dominic DeLuca	Derry
Connor Forrest	Hopewell
Marissa Hardman	Fox Chapel
Madison Lampe	West Greene
Mary Lau	Shady Side Academy
Nicholas Lauer	Shady Side Academy
Daniel Layton	Waynesburg
Brendan Mojocha	Gateway
Anastasia Russ	Hampton
Elizabeth Simms	Butler
Jacob Stebbins	Seneca Valley
Margaret Townsend	Beaver County Christian
Helina VanBibber	South Fayette
Anna Vogt	Ringgold
Michael Zolnierczyk	Springdale

WPIAL SCHOLAR ATHLETE HISTORY

The WPIAL Scholar Athlete Program was initiated in 1992 with two (2) students receiving \$5,000 scholarships. The program was expanded in 1997 with four (4) students receiving \$5,000 scholarships. In 1999, along with the four (4) \$5,000 scholarships, the Board opted to give \$500 stipends to the 16 finalists. In 2014-2015, the Board opted to award 20 students each \$1,000.00.

Since its inception in 1992, the WPIAL has awarded \$639,000 to 183 students from our member schools.

2019-2020 SPORTS ALIGNMENTS

Spring sports alignments for the 2019-2020 school year, the second year of the 2018-2020 scheduling cycle, were approved by the BOD. Alignment, scheduling grids, calendars, and sport memos are available on the WPIAL website by clicking on the "Sports" tab.

WPIAL REVENUE SHARING 2018-2019

The WPIAL revenue sharing program for 2018-2019 resulted in \$123,102.67, being returned to member schools participating in the football, soccer, and basketball tournaments using the League's revenue share ratio of 45% for schools and 55% for the League.

Revenue share paid by sport includes: Football (\$46,919.31), Basketball (\$56,626.51), and Soccer (\$19,556.85). Penn Hills received a revenue share check in the amount of \$5,488.48. Peters Township, Butler and Mars each received in excess of \$4,000. 102 member schools received a revenue share check for 2018-2019.

2018-2019 WINTER SPORTS TEAM CHAMPIONS

- **Boys' Basketball**

Class 1A	Nazareth Prep
Class 2A	Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
Class 3A	Lincoln Park
Class 4A	New Castle
Class 5A	Mars
Class 6A	Mt. Lebanon
- **Girls' Basketball**

Class 1A	Rochester
Class 2A	Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
Class 3A	Neshannock
Class 4A	North Catholic
Class 5A	Chartiers Valley
Class 6A	Peters Township
- **Wrestling**

Class AA	Burrell
Class AAA	Kiski Area
- **Boys' Swimming**

Class AA	Indiana
Class AAA	North Allegheny
- **Girls' Swimming**

Class AA	Northgate
Class AAA	North Allegheny
- **Girls Gymnastics**

Thomas Jefferson

- **Rifle**

Hempfield

- **Competitive Spirit**

Class A	Chartiers Houston
Class AA	Elizabeth Forward
Class AAA	Bethel Park

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