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SCHUYLKILL BASKETBALL LEAGUE

BY-LAWS

IN AFFILIATION WITH THE SCHUYLKILL LEAGUE

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ARTICLE I – NAME

The League shall be known as the Schuylkill Basketball League. (SBL)

ARTICLE II – BASKETBALL LEAGUE OFFICERS

Section 1 A League Principal shall be appointed chairperson by the Schuylkill League President. His or her duties shall include resolving any conflicts in the basketball league.

Section 2 The chairperson may designate other officers as he or she deems necessary.

ARTICLE III -- BASKETBALL LEAGUE MEETINGS

Section 1 The chairperson will conduct a meeting prior to the start of the season. The chairperson may also call additional meetings at his or her discretion.

Section 2 A majority of the member schools of the basketball league shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the meetings.

Section 3 On all questions, each school in the basketball league shall be entitled to one vote.

ARTICLE IV – DUES AND BUDGET

Section 1 Dues shall be determined on a sliding scale and be established on a yearly basis.

Section 2 A ~~budget~~ **financial review** shall be presented at the Spring Meeting of the Schuylkill League for adoption.

ARTICLE V -- MEMBERSHIP/ALIGNMENT

Section 1 The basketball league will be divided into ~~three divisions—Division I, Division II, and Division III~~ **per the Schuylkill League Constitution.**

Section 2 Boys and Girls Divisions will be determined by their individual enrollments.

Section 3 **In a three division format**, Division I will be comprised of teams that have the highest enrollment figures. Division II and Division III will consist of the remaining schools and will be divided according to geographic location. **In a four division format, Division I and II will be comprised of teams that have the highest enrollment figures. Division III and IV will consist of the remaining schools and will be divided according to geographic location**

ARTICLE VI -- AMENDMENTS

Section 1 The By-Laws of the basketball league may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the basketball league members at a stated meeting of the Schuylkill League. Such proposed amendments are to be submitted in writing to the committee chairperson. The Chairperson then in turn will review the proposed amendment with his or her committee.

ARTICLE VII -- CONTESTS

Section 1 A game schedule for the Junior Varsity/Varsity Games and the Junior High Games shall be prepared on a two-year cycle by the league scheduler.

Section 2 Junior High Games are recommended to begin at 4:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. Playing time (ie-how many minutes each quarter is) shall follow the P.I.A.A. set standards. (Junior High Contests—Six minute quarters; Freshman Contests—Eight minute quarters.)

Section 3 Unless mutually agreed upon, Junior Varsity Games shall start at 6:00 p.m.

Section 4 Unless mutually agreed upon, postponed game shall be played on the next available date.

Section 5 At all levels, the home team is responsible for providing (5) warm-up balls for each team.

Section 6 The following chart summarizes the amount of time that must be put on the clock for pre-game, half-time, and between game activities.

	<u>JV/VARSITY</u>	<u>JUNIOR HIGH</u>
PRE-GAME	15 minutes	10 minutes
HALFTIME	10 minutes	8 minutes
BETWEEN GAMES	15 minutes	8 minutes

Please note of the following:

- At all levels, **both teams must vacate the floor thirty minutes prior to game time** ~~the host team must vacate the floor upon the visiting team's arrival in the gymnasium.~~
- At all levels, halftime shooting is reserved for the teams that participated in the first half of play.

*****THE ABOVE TIME AND FLOOR CONSTRAINTS ARE REQUIRED FOR SCHUYLKILL LEAGUE CONTESTS AND ALSO RECCOMENDED FOR NON-LEAGUE GAMES.**

ARTICLE VIII – LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

Section 1 All League Basketball Semi-Finals and Final Playoff Games will be held at Martz Hall in Pottsville.

Section 2 The following procedure will be used if a tie for a playoff position would involve three or more teams:

- The first criteria used to break the tie will be head-to-head records of the teams involved in the tie.
- The second criteria used to break the tie will be on field competition. (The matchups will be determined by flips of coins)

Section 3 A packet outlining the playoff format will be developed by the Schuylkill Basketball Committee. This packet will be approved by Basketball League member schools. It will be distributed and be in effect for a two year cycle

ARTICLE IX -- OFFICIALS

Section 1 In conjunction with the basketball committee, an approved officials list shall be developed by the Assignor.

Section 2 At all levels, the assignor will assign (2) approved officials to work each regular season contest.

ARTICLE X – AWARDS

Section 1 The school declared champion at the end of the basketball season shall be awarded a trophy by the basketball league in accordance with the approved Schuylkill League Trophy. Twenty Gold Medals will be awarded to the championship team and Twenty Silver Medals will be awarded to the second place team.

Section 2 Each division winner shall be recognized with an award by the basketball league in accordance with the approved Schuylkill League Award.

SCHUYLKILL BASKETBALL LEAGUE

PLAYOFF PACKET

APRIL 2016

The Schuylkill League Champion in both Boys and Girls Basketball will be determined through a League Playoff conducted immediately following the regular season. The below information outlines the playoff setup. If weather or any unforeseen circumstances necessitates a change or addition to this format, it will be done by the discretion of the Basketball Chairperson and the Basketball Committee. If a Champion cannot be declared before the District deadline, the divisional champion with the highest district rating will be the league preferential seed.

ARTICLE I - STRUCTURE/FORMAT

- Section 1 Each Division Champ along with a Wild Card entry will play to a Championship.
- Section 2 The Wild Card entry will be the second place team from Division I.
- Section 3 Division I will play the Division Champ with the lesser league record. The Division Champion with the best record plays the Wild Card.
- A. In case of a tie between Division II and III, the winner of the league assigned crossover game determines the better record.
- Section 4 Higher Number Division (**numerically speaking**) is the home team in odd years and the visitor in even years.
- Section 5 Wild card team will be the visiting team throughout the playoffs each year.
- Section 6 Game Times will be as follows: In the Semi-Finals, the Wildcard team will always play the first game (600) and the second game will follow at 730. For the finals, the girls' game will be at 6:00 pm with the Boys' finals to follow.
- Section 7 Single tie breaking games will begin at 7. Doubleheaders will be at 600 and 730.
(NOTE: Times may be altered by facility limitations or mutual agreement)
- Section 8 All Finals and Semi-Finals will be played at Martz Hall.

- Section 9 The Semi-Finals will be played on Tuesday and Wednesday prior to the finals.
- A. In a year where the boys regular season ends on a Thursday and girls regular season ends on a Friday: The Boys will play Tuesday and Girls Wednesday.
 - B. In a year where the girls regular season ends on a Thursday and boys regular season ends on a Friday: The Girls will play Tuesday and Boys Wednesday.
- Section 10 The Boys and Girls Finals will be held the Friday following the regular season.
- A. In the event of a weather postponement, Saturday will be used.

ARTICLE II - TIEBREAKING PROCEDURES

- Section 1 A site mutual to both schools will be the site of the tie breaking game
- A. The League Chairman will name a site if no neutral site is agreed upon.
 - B. Flip of Coins will determine home teams in all tie breaking games
- Section 2 One game needs to break a tie for division or wild card:
- A. In a year where the boys regular season ends on a Thursday and girls regular season ends on a Friday: The Boys will play Saturday and Girls Monday.
 - B. In a year where the girls regular season ends on a Thursday and boys regular season ends on a Friday: The Girls will play Saturday and Boys Monday.
- Section 3 Two games needed to break a tie for division or wildcard
- A. The Boys and/or Girls will play Saturday and Monday. (Sunday may be an option in place of either of the dates only if it is agreeable to both schools)
- Section 4 In a three team tie situation, a flip of the coin will determine the team that will receive the bye.
- Section 5 If a Saturday tiebreaker is postponed due to weather, SUNDAY will be used.
- Section 6 The failure of a school not to be able to play on the Saturday following the regular season may cause them to forfeit the right to enter the league playoffs.
- Section 7 The semi-final game schedule (see Article I, Section 9 A and B) may be altered after the tie-breaking schedule is determined.

ARTICLE III- PRE GAME and GAME INFORMATION

- Section 1 At Martz Hall games, cups and coolers with water will be provided.
- Section 2 At Martz Hall games, warm-up basketballs will be provided.
- Section 3 For the first half, the home team will provide the basketball. For the second half, the visiting team will provide the basketball.
- Section 4 Pre-Game warm-up time will be 15 minutes.
- Section 5 Practice time prior to a playoff game at Martz Hall will be made available to opponents of Pottsville. (if an opponent of Pottsville makes this request, all efforts will be made to give practice time as long as the playoff schedule can accommodate such request)
- Section 6 Each participating school shall have a representative at all of their playoff games to participate in all administrative matters--crowd control of their student body, representation at pre-game meeting and any other matters.
- Section 7 For each playoff game, participating schools are required to bring 10 rosters.
- Section 8 For the finals, each participating school shall submit a medal list prior to their contest.
- Section 9 Division Champions that lose in the semi-finals will be awarded their division championship trophy at that time.
- Section 10 There will be an awards ceremony following the girls' game and the boys' game on the night of the finals.

ARTICLE IV- PLAYOFF MEETING

- Section 1 A required meeting of all schools and or all potential schools involved in the playoffs will be held the last Thursday of the regular season. This meeting will be held at a site determined by the league chairperson. A representative of each school as well as the site host must be in attendance. At this meeting, the following will be done/discussed:

- ~~A. A list of 10 preferred officials must be submitted by each school. From these lists, the assignor will assign three-man officiating crews, throughout the playoffs. These officials will be paid the yearly league determined stipend.~~
- B. League will provide an Athletic Trainer if requested by a participating school.
- C. Sites and times will be determined for all possible tie breaking games.
- D. Advanced Tickets will be distributed for the semi-finals.

SCHUYLKILL SWIMMING LEAGUE

BY-LAWS

IN AFFILIATION WITH THE SCHUYLKILL LEAGUE

REVISED: June 2014

ARTICLE I – NAME

The league shall be known as the Schuylkill Swimming League.

ARTICLE II – SWIMMING LEAGUE OFFICERS

Section 1 A league principal shall be appointed chairperson by the Schuylkill League President
His or duties shall include resolving any conflicts in the swimming league.

Section 2 The chairperson may designate other officers as he or she deems necessary.

ARTICLE III – SWIMMING LEAGUE MEETINGS

Section 1 The chairperson will conduct a meeting prior to the start of the season. The chairperson may also call additional meetings at his or her discretion. This meeting may take place in conjunction with the rules interpretation meeting.

Section 2 A majority of the member schools of the swimming league shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the meetings.

Section 3 On all questions, each school in the swimming league shall be entitled to one vote.

ARTICLE IV – DUES AND BUDGET

Section 1 Dues shall be determined on a sliding scale and be established on a yearly basis.

Section 2 A budget shall be presented at the Spring Meeting of the Schuylkill League for Adoption.

ARTICLE V – MEMBERSHIP/ALIGNMENTS

Section 1 The swimming league will consist of one Boys' Division and one Girls' Division.

ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS

Section 1 The By-Laws of the swimming league may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the swimming league member at a stated meeting of the Schuylkill League. Such proposed amendments are to be submitted in writing to the committee chairperson. The chairperson then in turn will review the proposed amendment with his or her committee.

ARTICLE VII – CONTESTS

Section 1 The home team shall arrange for officials and starting mechanism for meets.

Section 2 Starting times for meets shall be at 4:30 p.m. unless both teams mutually agree to a different starting time..

Section 3 ~~The away team will have lane choice.~~ **The home team will take the odd lanes and the away team will take the even lanes.**

Section 4 The order of events for dual meets shall be

- a. Warm-up
- b. 200 Medley Relay
- c. 200 Freestyle
- d. 200 IM**
- e. 50 Freestyle
- f. Diving
- g. 15 minute swimming warm-up
- h. 100 Butterfly
- i. 100 Freestyle
- j. 500 Freestyle
- k. 200 Freestyle Relay
- l. 100 Backstroke
- m. 100 Breaststroke
- n. 400 Freestyle Relay

Section 5 The home team will be responsible for reporting scores to the media unless otherwise agreed upon by both teams.

Section 6 The team with the best dual meet league record will be declared Dual meet champions. In a case involving a tie for this championship, if the tie involves two teams the tie will be broken following the Schuylkill League constitution. If a swim off is required the meet will be held at a site mutually agreed upon by the athletic directors of the schools involved. The meet will be scored as a dual meet. If three teams are involved, the first tie criteria will be head to head. ~~It~~ **If the three way tie still exists, the tie continues** the three teams will have a swim off at a mutually agreed site by the participating schools ~~athletic directors~~ with the scoring done for a triangular meet.

Section 7 All postponed meets shall be swam on the next available date.

Section 8 Postponing of a league contest due to weather shall be made by the home team.

Section 9 Postponing of ~~meets events~~ must be mutually agreed by both schools. If a conflict continues to exist the meet ~~event~~ will take place as originally scheduled.

ARTICLE VIII – LEAGUE MEET

Section 1 All Schuylkill League teams are required to send a team to the All League meet.

Section 2 The All League meet is open to all members in the Schuylkill swimming league. To compete in relays at the All League Meet a team has to participate in at least 10 competitions during the regular season.

Section 3 Athletes from schools not sponsoring a team during the regular season are eligible to compete as individuals if they participate in at least two meets at a Schuylkill swimming league school. They must be accompanied at the League Meet by a school-sanctioned representative and **also pay the league approved fee for an individual entrant.**

Section 4 A packet outlining the league meet format will be developed by the Schuylkill Swimming Committee. This packet will be approved by Swimming League member schools. It will be distributed and be in effect for a two year cycle

ARTICLE IX – OFFICIALS

Section 1 The assignor will assign three approved PIAA officials to work each season contest.

Section 2 The officials shall be paid the Schuylkill league established fees.

~~Section 3 The officials shall furnish their own time piece.~~

ARTICLE X – AWARDS

Section 1 The school declared champion at the end of the season will receive a trophy by the Swimming League in accordance with the Schuylkill League guidelines. Twenty Gold Medals will be awarded to the championship team.

- In case of a two-way tie, the winner of the scheduled regular season league meet will be declared the league champion. If a three way tie occurs, the following will be used:
 - The first criteria used to break the tie will be head-to-head records of the teams involved in the tie.
 - The second criteria used to break the tie will be a meet.

Section 2 All League Meet—Medals will be presented to the Top three finishers in each event.

Section 3 A post meeting will be held on the Thursday following the PIAA State meet at 7:00 PM. All-star selection will occur at this meeting using the following criteria:

- a. Academic All-Star
 1. Must be a two year varsity letter winner
 2. Have a GPA of 3.0 (or equivalent) or higher
- b. Event All-Star
 1. Create the best and fastest team.
 2. Must follow guideline for dual meet (max entries)
- c. Power point All-Star
 1. The sum of the two highest point earning individual events on the NISCA power point chart.
 2. Ten each on first, second, and third team.
 3. The swimmer of the year and rookie of the year.
- d. Diving All-Star
 1. Top three at league meet.
 2. Top three dual meet score.
 3. Diver and rookie of the year.
- e. Coaches that are unable to attend this meeting must submit all times and individuals for consideration to the chairperson by Wednesday following the PIAA State meet.

Schuylkill Swimming League

All League Meet Packet

Revised June 2014

All SCHUYLKILL LEAGUE member schools will receive invitations to send entries to the SCHUYLKILL LEAGUE Championships. Individuals from non-swimming schools may enter the meet as long as they meet the criteria set forth in the SCHUYLKILL LEAGUE swimming by-laws. The meet will be held on a Saturday after the dual meet season has been completed.

Article I – Structure and Format

Section 1 An information packet will be sent out at least two weeks prior to the meet.

Section 2 Each school is allowed one relay per event.

Section 3 Each school is allowed unlimited entries into the meet.

~~Section 4 Only four swimmers per school can score team points.~~

~~Section 5 Swimmers must meet SCHUYLKILL LEAGUE qualifying times to enter the meet. The times will be forwarded two weeks before the meet.~~

Section 4 Entries will be sent to a designated person to be determined by the swimming chairperson. Entries must be in by the Sunday prior to the All League meet.

Section 5 There will be a meeting on the Monday prior to the All League meet to fill lanes, discuss warm-up procedure and finalize other items

Section 6 The site will be determined by the swimming chairperson.

Section 7 The All League Meet will not be scored as a team event, therefore, no team trophies/medals will be awarded at this event.

Article II – Diving

Section 1 The diving competition will take place on the Friday before the swimming competition.

Section 2 We will use an 11 dive format with no degree of difficulty requirement.

Section 3 Diving sheets will be included in the information packet sent out prior to the meet.

Section 4 The diving sheets will be sent in on the Thursday before the diving meet.

Section 5 The location of the meet shall be determined by the swimming chairperson.

Article III – Officials

Section 1 The officials will be assigned by the league assignor.

Section 2 There will be five officials for diving and four officials for swimming.

Section 3 The officials will for the **All-League Swim Meet** will be paid **15**-dollars above the rate for a dual meet.

Section 4 The officials for the All-League Diving Meet will be paid the regular season rate.

SCHUYLKILL WRESTLING LEAGUE

BY-LAWS

IN AFFILIATION WITH THE SCHUYLKILL LEAGUE

REVISED: April 2016

ARTICLE I – NAME

Section 1 The League shall be known as the Schuylkill Wrestling League.

ARTICLE II – OFFICERS

Section 1 The League Chairperson shall be a principal of a member school who has been appointed by the Schuylkill League President.

Section 2 The chairperson may appoint other officers as deemed necessary.

Section 3 The chairperson may recommend to the Schuylkill League a statistician if deemed necessary.

ARTICLE III – MEETINGS

Section 1 The chairperson shall conduct a meeting of the Schuylkill League Wrestling Coaches following the scheduled rules interpretation meeting. The chairperson may also call additional meetings at his or her discretion.

Section 2 Special meetings may be called by the chairperson upon written request of a member school.

ARTICLE IV – DUES AND BUDGET

Section 1 Dues and a budget shall be proposed at the pre-season meeting and submitted to the Schuylkill League for adoption at the Fall Meeting.

ARTICLE V – MEMBERSHIP / ALIGNMENT

Section 1 The wrestling league shall have two divisions named Division I and Division II.

Section 2 Each division shall have an equal number of member schools whenever possible.

Section 3 Divisions shall be based on enrollment. Divisions will be re-evaluated coinciding with the two year PIAA classification period.

Section 4 In order to foster competitive balance within the league, a Division II school may request to move up to Division I, provided that a Division I school is willing to move down to Division II. Preference for such a request will be based on the prevailing PIAA two year enrollment figures.

ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS

Section 1 The By-Laws of the wrestling league may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the wrestling league members at a called meeting of the Schuylkill League. Such proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing to the league chairperson. The chairperson shall review the proposed amendment with his or her committee. A copy of the proposed amendment shall be distributed to all member schools.

ARTICLE VII – CONTESTS

Section 1 A match schedule for varsity teams shall be prepared for the pre-season meeting of the league and proposed for adoption at the Fall Meeting of the Schuylkill League. All league matches shall be scheduled on Wednesdays whenever possible, leaving Saturday dates open to allow schools to compete in weekend tournaments.

Section 2 Unless mutually agreed upon, postponed matches shall be wrestled on the next available date.

Section 3 Unless mutually agreed upon, Starting times for league meets shall be 6:00 p.m. for junior high and no earlier than 6:45 p.m. for Varsity. Saturday meets shall begin at 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.

ARTICLE VIII – LEAGUE TOURNAMENT

Section 1 There will be a League Tournament on the seventh week of the season for all teams in the Schuylkill Wrestling League.

Section 2 All league members must make every attempt to participate in the League Tournament. The only allowable exception is a conflicting date on a schedule. Said conflict must be resolved by a two-thirds vote of the member schools at the Fall Meeting of the Schuylkill League.

Section 3 All wrestlers will be seeded according to records and criteria used by the District XI tournament. All wrestlers will be seeded from 1 to 16.

Section 4 There will be a team champion and runner-up trophies.

Section 5 The site will be determined by the league chairperson. The host school will follow the time schedule stated in the by-laws. The host will make any pertinent decisions while running the tournament.

Section 6 Preliminaries and Quarter-finals will be held on Friday evening. Semi-finals and Consolations will be held on Saturday afternoon. Consolation finals and Finals will be held on Saturday evening.

ARTICLE IX – OFFICIALS

Section 1 Each league match will be assigned by the Schuylkill County Wrestling Chapter Assignor with a Schuylkill or Dauphin County official approved by the Assignor.

ARTICLE X – AWARDS

Section 1 There shall be a Division I and Division II champion declared at the end of the league schedule.

Section 2 The team with the best record in each division will be named division champion. In case of a tie, the winner of the scheduled divisional meet will be declared the winner. If a three way tie occurs:

1. Point differential positive and negative.
 Positive point for margin of victory.
 Negative point for margin of defeat.
 Versus the teams tied.
2. Greater number of victories in bouts wrestled.
3. Greater number of six point victories in bout wrestled.
4. Greater number of falls.
5. Greater number of technical falls.
6. Greater number of major decisions.
7. Greater number of decisions.
8. The least amount of cumulative time of falls.
9. The least amount of cumulative time for technical falls.
10. Greatest number of match points.
11. Coin toss.

Section 3 The Schuylkill League will award a trophy to each division champion and 20 individual medals for each team will be awarded.