

January 23, 2017

Minutes of NHSUA executive board meeting

4:55PM Tom Ebol called meeting to order

X Tom Ebol	X Jim Charland	X John Simon	x Terry Galley-Quinn
X Bill Makarawicz	X Bob Thomas	X Teri Warren	X Adam Reitsma
X Mark Cherbonneau	X Lenny Levin	X Peter Perich	X Norm Lafranier

No Hank Tenney or Duane Welch

Approval of last meeting minutes (10/18/16) motion by John, seconded by Mark; 12-0 approved

Secretary/Treasurer's report: Tom read Hank's email in his absence - no vote

Rules Interpreter – Mark: Coaches meeting went well. New rule that coaches agreed to: all equipment outside dugout prior to game. After meeting the NFSA said that there is a team warning and if coach doesn't comply, restrict coach to dugout. NHSUA will notify Peter who will notify NHIAAA if a coach has multiple complaints then they can contact the AD. Last issue brought up was one instance where an Umpire made a girl remove her hat while wearing a face mask -because the facemask was too big for her and only fit on her head if the hat was worn backwards (which technically could be called a violation of the rules -but not the intent of the rule. Another instance regarding new head gear that is a headband that ties behind. This is not considered a bandana as is OK. Coaches not in attendance at that meeting must come to our meeting on March 5th at 10 AM (the first rules interpretation meeting). The second meeting will occur on Sunday March 19th at a time TBD – Teri will contact Plymouth State to get a room. The third and final rules integration will occur at Alvirne HS on March 22nd at 7PM. Umpires that are in FL during this time, MUST call Mark by April 2nd for Phone interpretations. Season opens April 10th. Motion to approve by Bill, seconded by Bob: approved 12-0

Assigning Chairman- Bill: There are 177 registered Umpires, 27 not yet registered. 702 Varsity games, 200 open slots as of today, that the regional assignors will assign. All games released to assignors 1/29/17. Next year Tom requested that the games be delivered to the regional assignors on 1/2/18.

There was a motion for Peter to ask the NHIAA to allow schedules to NHSUA to schedule games before they register for the spring sports (typically about 20 umpires don't pay until the last day). The NHSUA will advance the must register date to October 31st in order to reduce this number to a few that NHSUA assignor will make sure that the umpire registers before they assign them. A motion by Bob seconded by Peter Approved 12-0.

Dave Dutch passed away approximately 3 weeks ago,

Terry requested that Billy remove any umpire not in her region. She will send a list to Billy of what names need to be removed.

Motion to approve by Jim, seconded by Adam; approved 12-0

Supervisor of Umpires – Peter: 1) needs a list from John (to get from Pierre's wife) of umpires that did 3 man games last year. 2) Awards committee had Pierre but John says he can handle it all by himself and if

he finds he can't, he will ask the EB for help. 3) Requested Billy to send him a list of all umpires and their ratings (Tom and/or Bill will make sure he gets the updated list – to be reviewed later in the meeting). 4) During April vacation (April 22nd-30th) Mark will fill in as an interface with the NHIAA if necessary (e.g. an ejection). 5) Test is currently available on Arbiter and must be completed by Sunday April 9th. An 85% must be obtained to pass (3 attempts are possible). Motion to accept by John seconded by Lenny: approved 12-0.

Apprentice Chairwomen: Teri: There are 10-15 apprentices interested (Down 2 from 2016). The test is ¾'s from chapters 1-5 and most questions on chapters 2 & 3. 1 question on Ch. 9 – Scoring. Teri will send a list of "questionable wording of a few questions. The on-field test is Sunday, April 8th at the Raymond Jamboree (23 teams). Classes start Sunday February 5th. Motion by Mark, seconded by Billy: approved 12-0

Evaluating chairman- Jim: Scheduled 34 evaluations in 17 games. There are 6 evaluators for 2017 (John and Ray B up north, Tom, Duane, Bruce Taggart & Jim). There was a motion by Tom to change the evaluation rate from \$50 to a Varsity game fee of \$86. Seconded by Terry. Failed 2-10. A second motion by Billy to make the fee the JV fee (\$66), seconded by hhh: approved 10-2. The 2017 evaluations will no longer occur during the first three weeks of the season (by request of the general consciences).

Another motion by Norm was to approve AA's getting an evaluation every 5 years (instead of 3) or as determined convenient by the Evaluation chair (Jim). The motion was seconded by Mark: approved 12-0

3-man Mechanics – Lenny – There was a 5 person committee (Al Douglas, Tom Peliter, Will Martin, Lenny & Jim). It was determined that the existing method of using JV games typically did not ever present situations that would occur in the tournament. It was also mentioned that there were rarely enough games for all the umpires and that the tournament of Memorial Day weekend was also an issue. The solution was suggested to offer an on-line test on the NHSUA web site (Adam will post the tests once Lenny sends it to him) where they send the results to Lenny(?). The second part was a 1 day meeting (presented 3-4 times at locations TBD (Windham, xxx, and site TBD). Motion to approve the new procedure by Norm, seconded by Lenny: approved 12-0

Web site Coordinator -Adam: no issues no vote

Review all Officials rankings – Tom: Discussion for 31 minutes. Tom will send updates to Billy.

Old business: Tom- John has the awards squared away for March meeting and will order awards. Hank was supposed to send a letter/email to Ron Bush to make him aware of the Appeals process on March Meeting at 8AM. Also invited is any umpire late on his dues (bring a check for \$125 and explain what happened). The appeals committee is the VP and the 3 at large members. Terry will send Tom and Billy and email of the notes and Billy will forward to the 3 at Large member (Bob, Lenny and John).

No new business.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM