



Annual NHSUA Meeting
NHTI Concord, N.H. March 4, 2017 10:00 am

Prior to the meeting at 9:00 the Executive Board met to review agenda for Annual meeting
A moment of silence was held for members from baseball ,who pasted away this past season.

Meeting: President Bill Makarawicz opened the Annual Meeting at 10:00 am

Treasurer: Hank Tenney reported a balance of \$10, 652.87 as if March 2018. Hank also let the Board know that the packets have their ratings, regions and years they joined. Hank also let the membership know who has gone inactive for the 2018 season.

Apprentice: On the Board this year: Gwen Devine, Hank Beecher, Keriann Ketcham, Jeremy Colter, Monica Wilson (Squires)
Bob Bouthilette

5 people took the 2018 test and all are moving on Sent from my iPad

Supervisor Report: Peter Perich gave his report

1. Protests should be reported to both myself and Mark Cherbonneau. Mark should be called for protests first. You need to call us. If the winning team is protesting and does not want to file after the game you must still contact myself to make a report. Avoid problems by reading the rulebooks. Correct procedures—protest must be made before the next pitch. Sign off on both books at time of protest. If teams are protesting the field conditions, fix it if you can. Once the game is started it must be played. It is not protest able if you start the game.
2. Ejections and physical contact should be reported to me the day of the ejection or physical contact. You need call me, so I can report it the next day to NHIAA and the schools know
3. Fees Varsity \$86 JV \$66 Over 40 miles \$14---80 miles \$24
Scrimmage rate is the JV rate If you are doing a doubleheader, it is \$10 less.
4. Go on the NHIAA website, read the Policy and Procedures manual for softball. Points of Special Emphasis.
 - a. Suspended games
 - b. Appropriate attire for coaches

- c. Appropriate attire for players
 - d. Flex Rule
 - e. Huddle Rule
 - f. Guidelines for Management of Concussions
 - g. Equipment
 - h. Ending Rule-12 run rule
 - i. Bench and Field Conduct
 - j. Blood Spillage and Body Fluids procedures
 - k. Lightning/Thunder
5. Test needs to be complete by April 2nd. You have 3 tries. The answers will be posted April 4th.
 6. Do not forget to pay your NHIAA registration fee--\$65.
 7. All NHIAA forms are on our website.
 8. If there is a field or equipment problem, please call me so I can contact NHIAA.
 9. Playoffs—Some umpires did not get games last year either because you did not go to a 3 man clinic or because there were less games last year, so there were less umpires needed. The committee told me to only use AA and A umpires in the first 2 rounds unless I had to use B umpires and in the semi and final games only AA umpires unless A's are needed.
 10. Make sure all your phone numbers are correct on the Arbiter. Last year during the playoffs, I had a real hard time finding some umpires on Saturday morning when game times were changed at the last minute.
 11. Tournament requirements—attend an interpretation meeting, pay your dues, attend a 3-man clinic, do a minimum of 7 varsity games, and pass the test.
 12. Last points
 - a. Disqualified players should be on the bench for supervision
 - b. If bus is late or there is rain—give enough time to get the game in
 - c. Have good game control
 - d. Do not be afraid to communicate with your partner
 - e. Make yourself approachable-be flexible
 - f. Use good Judgement
 - g. Let me know if there are any problems—with the field, coaches, ADs, parents if you feel you need to.
 - h. Umpires who park in the special playoff spots at the playoff sties should still play to get into the game unless they are working.
 13. Have a great season. Good Luck!

Evaluation Chair: My presentation was as follows:

1. Asked members to look at the envelope to check their rating and if any questions to get back to me.

2. Went over 3-person clinic dates and had Adam post on the Arbiter.
3. Turned over mic to Len Lavin for new process on 3-person attendance
4. Went over the constitutional change and voting procedure to be held by email with an acceptance or denial.
5. Back to Basic Clinic at Plymouth on March 24 10 to 2 MUST have RSVP to Terri Warren by March 19th for planning purposes.

Regions: Region 1 All Set, Region 2 All set, Region 3 All set, Region 4 All set, Region 5 All Set, Region 6 All set; It was noted that several of the regions had not yet released JV games. Bill explained that all Varsity assignments are done first and JV games will be released this week.

Billy Mac let the membership know that some people still have not registered with the NHIAA. It is best for members to register in the fall for all sports at the same time.

Awards: I informed the EB that the 2018 season marked the 40th year of NHSUA. That the founding members would be presented with navy fleece vests and the NHSUA logo. Marking 40 years. There remain 17 founding in the NHSUA.

I announced that the 5 , 10 and 15 year members would receive pins and certificates. 30 year, 25 year and 20 year members would receive plaques and acrylic awards. Hall Of Fame inductees for 2018 were: Peter Depalo and Donna Martineau.

President: Billy Mak went over the dates and times of test and dues for next 3 years.

Elections: Slate of officers were presented by the Board and approved by the membership.
 3- Yr Interpreter 3 Year At Large – Len Lavin
 3 Year At Large – Rachel Wolff
 Approved by the membership.
 Adam Reitsma was appointed by the EB for two year term.

Rules: Rule changes that were discussed.

- Intentional walk - coach only need to notify the umpire regardless of the count.
- placement and color of the wristband play book. Must be a solid color. Considered equipment . Does not have to adhere to the color restrictions addressed in rule 3-2-7c
- Umpires no longer have to inspect equipment
- Rule that allows umpires to allow as many pitches as necessary when a pitcher is removed by rule.
- Pitcher may step back anytime with the non pivot foot before the start of the pitch.

Editorial changes:

- e-cig added to banned tobacco use rule.
- Batter must avoid being hit by a pitch when the ball is not completely in the batter's box.

-Courtesy runner of the pitcher when they can not pitch to first batter in the bottom half of the inning is now a retroactive substitue, and not a courtesy runner.

Old Business:

New Business:

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm

Report submitted by Sec. Hank Tenney