

promoting the betterment of the game of softball, its players and umpires



Annual NHSUA Meeting NHTI Concord, N.H. March 3, 2019 10:00 am

Prior to the meeting at 9:00 the Executive Board met to review agenda for Annual meeting

Meeting: President Bill Makarawicz opened the Annual Meeting at 10:05 am

Treasurer: Hank Tenney reported a balance of \$6,834.09 as if March 2019. Hank also let the Board know that

the packets have their ratings, regions and years they joined. Hank notified other states that wish

to get credit for clinic please contact him.

Apprentice: 5 new members were introduced as active for 2019. Charles Pierson, Gary Wright, Erin Reilly,

James Heroux, Tara Fortner

11 people took the 2019 test and will be taking the field test for 2020 members.

Clinics: March 23 10:30 at Plymouth April 6 at Raymond with full games from 8-5

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. cherb100@comcast.net

603-475-5711 (Cellular) 603-845-1556 ext 5430 (Work)

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.

You need to call me so I can report it the next day to NHIAA and inform the schools. Please let Mark know between April 26 and May 5 as I will be out of the country.

3. Fees

Varsity \$88 JV \$68 Over 40 miles \$14---80 miles \$24 Scrimmage rate is the JV rate--\$68 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 6 nd . You have 3 tries. The answers will be posted April 7th
- 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 softball 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. Two years ago 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 if you are an "A" classified umpire or if you are an "AA" that did not go last year, 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 pay to get into the game unless they are working.
- i. Read the Illegal Pitch rules and penalty
- j. Read the Preseason Softball Guide closely from NFHSApprentice:

Evaluation Chair:

- 1. Jim introduced 3 new members of the evaluation team for 2019. Al Douglas, Peter DePalo, and Bill Welch.
- 2. Thanked Al Doulas for the work done on the new evaluation form that will be used in 2019/
- 3. Form can be found on NHSUA.org web site. Click on "NHSUA" at top of page then click on updated evaluations rev. 2019. You can also get form by clicking evaluation on left side of home page in section "Umpires and Apprentices"
- 4. All evaluation are scheduled for 2019. Members that are scheduled for evaluation should contact Jim if they can not make the assigned date.
- 5. All members should be evaluated every 3 Years except double AA which will be evaluated every 5 years. That is the NHSUA goal.
- 6. Apprentices will be evaluated at the time of their field test then start you 3 year program.
- 7. Members can be advanced from a C to B by their Regional Assignor.
- 8. Members can not advance more than one rating per year.
- 9. The Executive Board has final decisions over all evaluation.
- 10. Appeals are available by the Consititution if you need to discuss evaluations.
- 11. Evaluation are to improve our members. All questions about evaluations should be sent to Jim Charland.

Len Lavin Report on Three Man: Clinics: March 23 at Plymouth 9-10:30 for A Umpires April. 1 at Spaulding 6:00-7:30 for A umpires April 13 at Campbell 10-12 for B,C Umps. If AA did not attend last year they can attend one of the above this year.

There will be softball players available to run bases at the clinics.

Any one that attends must participate to get credit. There will be a 10 question quiz on the three man.

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; Bill explained that all Varsity assignments are done first and JV games will be released this week. Bill let the members know that on Jan. 2 the assignors will get all Varsity games to set up assignments. On Feb. 1 games assigned will be released to the members. On Feb. 15 JV games will be assigned.

Awards:

John Simon presented the 2019 awards.

- 5 Yr. Keith Vachon, Ken Lablanc, Linda Lachance, Robert Constance, Tony Scalzi, Kristen Taylor, William Melanson, Chris Caswell, Richard Judd
- 10 Yr.- Richard Ellis, Derek Paterson, John Wardrop, Tom Birmingham, Mike Morgan, Ray Paquin, Dave Philbotte, Mike Barberian, Bill Welch.
- 15 Yr.- Ron Bush, Terry Galley-Quinn, Dean Drown, Dan Greenleaf, Terry Warren, Richard Milburn.
- 20 Yr.- Jim Charland, Jim Rivers, Richard Fortier
- 25 Yr.- none 30 Yr.- Tom Ebol, Dana Bourassa 35 Yr.- None 40 Yr.-None

Bob Thomas presented the 2019 "Glenn Colburn" award to Jim Gaudet.

Elections: Slate of officers were presented by the Board and approved by the membership

President Bill Makarawicz 2 Yrs. Until June 2021 Vice President **Bob Thomas** 2 Yrs. Until June 2021 Sec./Treas. Hank Tenney 3 Yrs. Until June 2022 Peter Perich 2 Yrs. Until June 2021 Supervisor Terri Warren 2 Yrs. Until June 2021 **Apprentice Chair Evaluation Chair** Jim Charland 2 Yrs. Until June 2021 At Large Member Al Douglas 3 Yrs. Until June 2022

Approved by the membership.

Adam Reitsma was appointed by the EB for two year term.

Web Master: It was again stressed that people should go to the web site. NHSUA.ORG and look at the site.

Adam has done a great job of getting info on site and to the members. CHECK IT OUT.

Rules: Rule changes that were discussed by Bob Thomas

For comments on the 2019 rule changes go to PAGE 84

1-1-7 2-22-4, Table 5-1, 5-1-1 MEDIA 1-5-2a Bat 1-8-4 FACE MASK

Major Change: In the case of an illegal pitch, the batter is awarded a ball. Runners on the bases are not awarded a base anymore, but they can go on their own but be subject to be thrown out.

EDITORIAL CHANGES: 2-65-2 6-1-2a.b APPENDIX H

Old Business:

New Business: The Board received a general consenus from the membership that we look into getting a flag on our shirts. The Board will review and report back.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm Report submitted by Sec. Hank Tenney