Minutes – IAABO 152 – 10/29/2018

Members Absent: Stu Adams, Mike Amerault, Steve Altimas, Bernie Beriau, Josh Burton, Doug Clark, Steve DiPaolo, John Gleason, Steve Goveia, Bud Hurtt, Ben Kjoller, Joe Lavoie, Jeff Lowe, John McNulty, Kevin Murphy, Brendan O’Connor, Mike Rabideau, Chris Reed, Mike Tierney.

Welcome Mary Bradley

Shout out to Josh Burton for receiving a contract to work games at the Men’s Division I level

Intro of Damien Farley from Board 135

Intro of new assignors replacing Peter Hansen/Steve Petluck

Secretary – Dave Peros

Interpretation is mandatory – list will be on website by end of week of interpretation meetings for all other boards. Board 152’s will be on Monday, November 19 at 7 PM in the Bourne High School Auditorium.

We are holding interpretation followed by a mechanics meeting in the Bourne High School Gymnasium; the mechanics meeting counts towards the three general meeting requirement.

Moment of Silence

Treasurer’s Report – Mike Hirschman

2,404.87- Rockland Trust – 700.00 outstanding balance for cadet training

Minimum of Expenses as fall interpreters’ conference was on Cape Cod, but Steve Pothier

Citizens Bank – Scholarship money – four scholarships of $500 each given out at Banquet

2632.70

Recognition of unsung heroes at the IAABO fall conference held on Cape Cod– Joe Bollus, Mike Hirschman, and Steve Pothier

Assignor – Ted Fuller

Cape and Islands League – just getting schedules

Must have MIAA clearance and Arbiter fee paid to Bernie Beriau

Peter Hanson leaving changed things – lot of splitting up of leagues into different assignors

Ted recommended putting information of all assignors of youth games up on the website

MV – officials for V/JV

Not as many subvarsity doubleheaders – many schools with no freshmen team

There is no contract that we will get to cover games when new schools join the Cape and Islands League next season

Number of schools don’t have home gyms – check where a game is being played

Interpreter – Steve Pothier

Everyone got email concerning issues raised at the IAABO fall conference

Two Cape AD’s – lots of questions – put up what I took out of that discussion

Sent email thanking them for doing that

Level of officiating on the Cape has improved to the point where it is better than off Cape

Interpretation meeting – call domino meeting – no rule changes/simply points of emphasis

Invited new off Cape assignors to Interpretation meeting – haven’t heard back

Go to gym and go over stuff

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Getting more difficult to officiate – 35% of new officials never make fourth year

Learn how to deal with the hate and discontent

Can’t tell coach to shut up/sit down – can’t interact with spectators

There are things in place to handle these – you set the level of the game – if you run by a coach and he is saying things that are unprofessional, that’s on you

If you lose your cool, then everything will become not cool

AD’s appalled by conduct and appearance of subvarsity officials – not dressing, not hustling, showing up late – not holding pregame – you must hold a pregame meeting

David DeCarolis – problem with letting coach get away with improper conduct, and then first time kid gets out of line, they whack him with a T

Only captain can talk to officials – ways to handle improper conduct

Talk with your partner about what you are going to do – that’s why there is a pregame

Greg Belscher – ejection requires completion of paperwork - MIAA and our website have the forms. All officials should carry these forms.

Joe Bollus – Try to make sure that administrator waits – at very least give to home coach and inform that it you are going to contact AD

Mike Hirschman advised keeping explanations for ejection short and Joe Bollus noted that using wording from the rulebook is critical when writing up your explanation

We don’t stay on court for fist bump/handshake this season – MIAA rule

President – Mary Bradbury

Shout out to Mike Hirschman and Jean Leyton for banquet

Shout out to Tony DelNegro for working on website

Banquet Committee – Mike Hirschman looking for members to serve on committee. Thanked Max McCarthy for sportsmanship awards

Membership Committee – should be Steve Pothier, Mary Bradbury, and three others –why it’s critical – 16 inquiries and only four taking class – if three don’t volunteer, Steve can ask members to join committee – Carl Zopatti asked what the three others do – Steve went over what could happen with the online course

Sportsmanship Committee– Max McCarthy – Survey Monkey is working well – more voters this year – 80%, would like to see 100%

Coaches from winning schools were thrilled – Monomoy girls won last year, Monomoy boys won year before – Falmouth Academy has been recognized several times

Monomoy wanted plaques, not banners

Thanks to Matt Gosman for article in Cape Cod Times

Wellness Committee - Carl Zopatti – nothing to report

Special Meeting – Mary Bradbury explained that this is not one of three regular meetings the members are required to attend– being called to vote on changes to our Constitution and Bylaws – Proposed Amendments are on website -Second reading on December 3 and then a vote – there is no quorum in current language – changes only require 2/3 positive votes from members present

Can’t have bylaws that conflict with IAABO

Andre King raised questions regarding Members Not In Good Standing and Fines, as well as whether IAABO benefits such as Liability Insurance are not available to individuals who are Members Not In Good Standing. Wondered where this is in our Constitution and Bylaws. Mary Bradbury requested that Andre stay after the meeting is adjourned to discuss these issues.

Dave Peros explained that information was received directly from IAABO that a member who does not pay his or her dues and/or fines is designated a Member Not In Good Standing and is removed from the official IAABO roster and is not eligible, therefore, for any IAABO benefits, including liability insurance.

Meeting Adjourned.