

**NH Volleyball Officials' Meetings
2002 Business Meeting Minutes
Sunday, November 24, 2002
Puritan Back Room Restaurant
Manchester, NH**

Business Meeting convened at 7:25 following dinner.

Members Present

Fran Addorisio, Mike Andriski, Harry Blood, Roger Dontonville, Terry Dostie, Dana Draper, Dick Dumais, Bruce Einsidler-Moore, Rick Forge, Dick Fortier, John Fulton, James George, Mike Hamilton, Fred Jasinski, Howard Kelleher, Charles Kenney, Rick Latham, Roger LeHoullier, Chet Martel, John Martin, Donna Martineau, Paul Maskwa, Matthew Matsis, Jerome McDougale, Cindy McNally, Tom Monson, Bill Nunnally, Walt Pryor, Robert Thatcher, Bill Tirone, George West, Chuck Wiggin, and Brad Wolff.

Approval of 2002 Business Meeting Minutes

Chet Martel moved, Matthew Matsis seconded a motion to approve the 2002 Business Meeting Minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report—Donna Martineau

	Income	Expenses
Balance Brought Forward	\$2,565.52	
Puritan (45 Dinners) 2001 Business Meeting		628.44
2002 Dues to NHIAA		174.00
Rule/Case Books and Tests		620.45
Mailings (postage and envelopes)		113.57
NFIOA Registration		1,140.00
Federation (Jackets and Cards)		241.65
LDR Productions (Jacket Logos and NHVOA patches)		138.25
Worldpath for Web Page		249.50
NHVOA.org name (5 years)		140.00
Arbiter annual fee (software for assigning)		109.33
Assignor fee and mailings		240.00
Fran Addorisio to National Rules Interpretation		479.80
2001 Membership Dues, Patches, Interest	2,800.00	
Income	5,365.52	
Expenses		4,274.99
Balance	\$1,090.53	

Bill Nunnally moved, Chet Martel seconded a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Apprentice Report—Rick Forge

John Caley and Donna Plumb have successfully passed the apprentice program and will be officials next year. There were a total of 42 requests for information about becoming a volleyball official. Most of the requests came through the NHIAA's website. Unfortunately no one showed in Exeter for the June 12 Rules Interpretation. We currently have critical shortages in the Manchester/Nashua and Keene area. Rather than setup one meeting for the entire state, regional introductory meetings will be held prior to the first rules interpretation. The meetings will be held in March and hosted by the following officials: Keene area, Jerry McDougale; Manchester, Mike Hamilton; Exeter, Fran Addorisio; and Gilford, Rick Forge. When finding recruits it is best to look for people who are familiar or have experience with volleyball.

It was suggested that we contact other volleyball officials' organizations about joining our board.

Supervisor of Officials—Bill Tirone

A tri-fold about officiating developed by the NHIAA was distributed to everyone. The NHIAA is looking for feedback on the tri-fold. Contact Bill if you have any comments and he will forward them to the NHIAA.

Bill congratulated everyone for how they handled rally scoring this year. There were no major issues about officials this year. He also congratulated tournament officials for a job well done.

Evaluations need to be sent to Bill by December 1. You can download copies of the forms from the website or call Dick Dumais for the forms.

Hollis-Brookline Athletic Director notified Bill about officials being overpaid for some games. He asked officials to *do the right thing*.

A Flat fee is being looked at by NHIAA, send comments to Bill about this.

The Volleyball Committee will be evaluating the success of rally scoring this year and was looking for input from the officials' organization. After lengthy discussion it was agreed by the Association to recommend that JV's use Rally with 2 out of 3 games, using the same point system as the varsity. On a vote of 17-9, the Association is recommending Varsity play 3 out of 5 rally to 21, last game to 15. The Association recommended to leave the let serve rule stand as is and to look at shortening the warm-up time before a match.

Members also asked if the volleyball committee would allow officials to move onto the receiving side during play.

Officials were reminded that you must have an official *NHVOA Official's Jacket* in order to do tournament. Contact Donna Martineau if you do not have a jacket.

James George asked about capping the number of officials in the Association. Dick Dumais informed the Association about the shortage of officials in the Manchester, Nashua, Keene, and Langdon areas.

Rules Interpreter—Fran Addorisio

This year's written exam was a bit messy with some of the questions confusing. Fran will be asking Federation for clarification on those questions. Fran reminded everyone that they need an 80 to pass the exam. Scores are not shared with anyone. Officials were commended for how they dealt with rally, especially with scoring. Fran reminded everyone they need to attend at least one of two rules interpretations each year.

Assignor's Report—Dick Dumais (distributed to membership at meeting)

I know there has been a concern about the late arrival of final assignments this past season. I had planned on getting final assignments distributed for the first rules interpretation. However, a change in employment made it impossible for me to start working on assignments until August. I don't envision any problems getting final assignments to officials for the first rules interpretation next year. Your patience and understanding is appreciated.

Communication: Email

The Internet and email has dramatically changed how I communicate with officials and athletic directors. It means I can work early in the morning, during a break at work, and late at night on assignments. Many of you may have noticed a dramatic decrease of last minute phone calls to cover matches; thank email for that. Please note that next year I hope to use email as the principal method of communicating with officials and athletic directors. You can help by checking your email more frequently during the season.

Communication: Phone

I have moved from Computer Technology Coordinator at Inter-Lakes to Math Department Head and Teacher at Kingswood Regional HS in Wolfeboro. I no longer have an office with a phone. The best methods of communication are email, cell phone, and home phone. Please do not call Kingswood to reach me. My classroom is quite a distance from the main office. It can take some time for a message to get to me. I turn my cell phone off during classes, but always check my messages during breaks.

Game Fees

Game fees for Boys and Prep School matches are always a problem. Prep Schools went to NCAA rules this year, which meant they played their games to 30 points, not 25. NCAA Volleyball Rules are posted on the Internet at http://www.ncaa.org/library/rules/2002/2002_w_volleyball_rules.pdf . I've listed next year's tentative game fees on the back of this report.

Boys' Volleyball

We now provide officials for seven schools that have Boys' Volleyball Clubs: Keene, Mascenic, Oyster River, Pinkerton, Salem, Souhegan, and Timberlane.

Number of Games Assigned

Some Lakes Region officials saw a drop this year in the number of games assigned. This was primarily due to the increased number of officials on our Board that live in the Lakes Region. Officials living in the Laconia, Gilmanton, Gilford, Barnstead area will be making trips further south next season to help cover that part of the state.

In general, the number of games assigned to officials this year had much to do with the following variables:

- Official's home location
- Official's rating
- The number of dates, including afternoon's or evening's blocked
- Accessibility via email

Please realize the more dates and times blocked will mean a drop in the number of games assigned.

Game fees for the 2003 Season.

NHIAA GIRLS

Varsity and JV: \$90 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

Varsity only: \$52 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

JV: \$38 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

Freshman: \$38 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

BOYS CLUB (follow NHIAA Girls if sport approved by NHIAA)

SPECIAL NOTE for boys' matches: Varsity game to be played first.

Rally (like Girls Varsity):

Varsity and JV: \$90 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

Varsity only: \$52 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

JV: \$38 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

Freshman: \$38 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

Side-out Scoring

Varsity only (3 out of 5): \$87 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

Varsity and JV (2 out of 3): \$125 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

Varsity (3 out of 5) and JV (3 out of 5): \$150 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

PREP SCHOOLS

Varsity (3 out of 5) NCAA Rules: \$90 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

JV, one official, (3 out of 5) NCAA Rules: \$90 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

Varsity only: \$57 plus \$.32/mile round trip.

SPECIAL NOTE:

Officials who work an NHIAA Girls Varsity or JV (not freshmen) match alone are paid 1.5 times the Varsity Game Fee (as per NHIAA).

Old Business

Constitution Amendments—Dick Dumais

Article V: Executive Committee Members, Item 1.

Delete:

Liaison to the NHIAA

Rationale: The position no longer exists.

Moved by Chet Martel, seconded by Bill Nunnally. Passed 32-0

Article VI: Duties of the Executive Committee, Item 7.

Delete:

7. LIAISON

The Liaison to the NHIAA shall:

a. Attend NHIAA Sports Officiating Committee Meetings to discuss desired changes of the Association.

b. Report to the Association all pertinent information.

Rationale: The position no longer exists.

Moved by Chet Martel, seconded by Pierre Belanger. Passed 31-0

Article VIII: Meetings, Item 2.

Delete: The second and third sentences.

The first meeting to be held in the first Sunday in August. The second meeting will be held at a date and time determined by the NHVOA rules interpreter but no later than the third Sunday in August.

Add:

The meetings will be held the first and third Sunday in August.

Rationale: Does not reflect the current intent of the by-law.

Moved by Bill Makarawicz, seconded by Bill Nunnally. Passed 31-1

Article VIII: Items 8 and 9.

Renumber Items 8 and 9 to Items 7 and 8.

Reason: Item 7 was deleted.

Moved by Matt Matsis, seconded by Chet Martel. Passed 32-0

By-Law Changes—Dick Dumais

Article I, Item 7c

Delete: *only*

Evaluation forms are to be filled out for NHIAA varsity matches ~~only~~.

Insert: *and club*

governed by National Federation Rules

Evaluation forms are to be filled out for NHIAA varsity *and club* matches *governed by National Federation*

Rules.

Rationale: Current practice is not in line with by-law.

Motion to Amend the Article to insert the words *regular season* before “NHIAA varsity,” seconded by Matt Matsis.

Amendment passed 30-1.

Motion to accept article as amended moved by Howie Kelleher, seconded by Dick Fortier. Motion passed 25-3.

New Business

Roger Dontonville asked if Fran Addorisio could find out if Federation would include rule differences from other rule books.

Chet Martel asked about the history of business meetings and questioned the need to be required to attend one business meeting every other year.

Dana Draper asked about penalties not listed in the by-laws. For example, he felt officials should know the consequences when they fail to get a test in on time.

Howie Kelleher suggested that by-laws changes only require simple majority. Bill Nunnally disagreed. Chet felt two-thirds present should allow a change.

Election of Secretary/Treasurer

Donna Martineau was the only candidate nominated for secretary/treasurer.

Howie Kelleher moved, Billy Makarawicz seconded a motion that the secretary casts one vote for to elect Donna Martineau as Secretary/Treasurer.

Bill Nunnally moved, John Martin seconded to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.