

NHVOA Business Meeting
11/14/04 Puritan Backroom Restaurant
Began at 7:45. Ended at 8:40

1. Approval of 2004 Business Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion to accept by Bill Makarawicz
 - b. Second by Chuck Kenney
 - c. Vote – unanimous

2. Treasurers Report – Donna Martineau (absent due to illness)
 - a. Motion to accept by Bill Makarawicz
 - b. Second by Matthew Mattsis
 - c. No discussion
 - d. Vote – unanimous

3. Apprentice Chairman’s Report – Jerry McDougle
 - a. Mr. McDougle discussed how many candidates ask for information but fail to follow through with the program. 11 people took the test with only 5 passing. Several people had scores of 50% or lower. Rick Forge discussed how the program is a year long process, and many apprentices do not follow through when they find out they will not immediately receive games.
 - b. Motion to accept by Paul Huard
 - c. Second by Chet Martel
 - d. Vote – unanimous

4. Supervisors of Official’ Report – Bill Tirone
 - a. Mr. Tirone discussed that the Girl’s volleyball season went well with very few problems. The boy’s season was loaded with scheduling problems especially schools not having junior varsity teams on a consistent basis. Mr. Tirone also discussed that Tournament games were assigned to officials with a rating of 3 or higher. He observed that the mechanic of the Umpire switching sides of the net seemed to be well accepted. Confusion over Referees using a line-up card, and the substitution procedure for the Umpire will be addressed at next summers Mechanics Clinics. There was also discussion about how many divisions of volleyball will be sanctioned by the NHIAA next season. Mr. Tirone, with input from Harry Blood (AD at Moultonboro) discussed that the Volleyball committee has been discussing implementing three divisions for the 2005 season.
 - b. Motion to accept by Matthew Matsis
 - c. Second by Mike Dubisz
 - d. Vote unanimous.

5. Rules Interpreter’s Report – Rick Forge
 - a. Mr. Forge reported that all board members took and passed the test. The lowest score was 85% and the highest was 100%, with an average score of

94%. Mr. Forge stated that the rule changes went well, especially after the “Touch Call” was clarified. He mentioned that he was pleased how well Umpires did with moving back and forth to view net violations. In 2005 NH may be an experimental state for the Libero position, but that has not yet been confirmed by the Volleyball Committee. Dana Bourassa mentioned that he viewed many games this season and was impressed with the level officiating. He did mention that we need to all try to be more consistent with calling illegal hits on the overhead pass while receiving the serve. Mr. Forge showed off the new white polo shirts with the logo on the left chest that will be mandatory for 2005. The price for the shirts will be \$15 for two shirts, and \$15 for each additional shirt. He was hopeful that members would each purchase three or four shirts. Members who have earned year patches should locate them on the left sleeve, 2” up from the sleeve cuff. Dues for 2005 are \$72, so a payment to Donna Martineau of \$87 would cover the two shirts, plus dues. Discussion ensued about placing an American Flag on the shirt. It was decided that the Executive board will take up that issue at their January meeting.

- b. Motion to accept by Brad Wolff.
- c. Second by George West.
- d. Vote unanimous.

6. Assigner’s Report – presented by Mike Hamilton for Dick Dumais

- a. Mr. Dumais’ report began with a report of a successful first season using the Arbiter system. Problems occurred this year with numerous officials not having a work phone on file with which to make contact on game day. Mr. Dumais reports that assigning was included for prep school games, as well as providing line judges for games at SNHU. Some officials had complained that they had received numerous games at Epping, Franklin and Laconia Christian which did not field junior varsity teams this year. Mr. Dumais commented that at the time of assignments he was not aware that these teams would have only varsity teams. Dick also wanted to remind officials that the number of games that they receive is dependent on: home location, rating, number of afternoons and evenings blocked and accessibility via email. Rick Forge mentioned that Mr. Dumais still had not received his scheduling fee from at least five schools. The Executive Board will discuss this situation at the January meeting.
- b. Motion to accept by Mike Dubisz.
- c. Second by Bill Nunnally
- d. Vote Unanimous.

7. Old Business

- a. There was no old business.

8. New Business

- a. Chet Martel mentioned that in past years we had received a phone list of all of our members, and that the Arbiter system had failed in that area. He requested that the Secretary/Treasurer provide an updated phone list for next season.
- b. Mr. Martel also mentioned that last year we had changed our Constitution and the NHVOA website had not been updated to reflect the changes. He requested that members receive an updated copy of the Constitution. Mr. Hamilton noted that Mr. Dumais was in the process of updating the website.
- c. A motion was made by Bill Nunnally to set dues at \$87 for 2005.
- d. Second by Barry Bolduc.
- e. Vote unanimous.

9. Election of Officers – Vice President

- a. Bill Nunnally moved to re-nominate Tom Monson as Vice President.
- b. Second by Paul Huard
- c. No other nominations were offered.
- d. Tom Monson was elected unanimously.

10. Motion to dismiss the meeting was made by Bill Nunnally.

- a. Second by Dana Bourassa
- b. Vote was unanimous.