

## **2022 NHVOA Business Meeting Agenda**

Sunday August 7, 2022  
10 minutes after the Rules Interpretation  
Sweeney Hall, NHTI

1. Approval of 2021 Business Meeting Minutes
2. Treasurer's Report – Donna Martineau
3. Supervisor of Officials' Report – Phil Mollica
4. Rules Interpreter's Report – Rick Forge
5. Assignor's Report – Dick Dumais
6. Apprentice Chairman's Report – Roger Konstant
7. Old Business
  - a. Shirts – Rick Forge
8. New Business
  - a. Dues Rate for 2022-2023
  - b. Proposed By-Law Changes
    - i. Eliminate Article 1.7 Complete Peer Evaluations
    - ii. In-Season Clinic
      1. Every other-year requirement.
    - iii. Renumber Article 1 items if the first by-law change passes.
    - iv. By-Law change to address officials accepting matches from other assignors.
9. Election – Secretary/Treasurer
  - a. Nominations will be taken

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### **2023-2024 Dues:**

Dues for the 2022-2023 season will be determined at the Business Meeting and due no later than November 1, 2021. Dues postmarked after November 1, 2022 will be assessed a \$25 late fee and must be submitted by January 1, 2023.

Please make your check payable to **NHVOA**. Send dues to:  
Donna Martineau,  
23 Crosswind Lane  
Rochester, NH 03867

## **Proposed By-Law Changes**

### **Proposed Change #1–Amend Article 1: Membership Requirements: Eliminate Item 7 in Article 1**

7. Complete Peer Evaluations.
  - a. Complete online peer evaluations in a timely manner, usually within one week of the match.
  - b. Failure to submit peer evaluations forms on time will mean a reduction in rating for the member.
  - c. Evaluations are to be completed for NHIAA matches governed by NFHS Rules.

### **Proposed Change #2–Amend Article 1: Membership Requirements:**

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2. Attend an in-season clinic once every two years
  - a. The clinic will be held in late September or early October.
  - b. Members who fail to attend an in-season clinic over a two year period must send a letter of appeal to the President within three days of the second missed in-season clinic.

### **Proposed Change #3–Amend Article 1: Membership Requirements:**

If Proposed Change #2 Passes, renumber the original items in Article 1 from 2-6 to 3-7.

### **Proposed Change #4–Amend Article 1: Membership Requirements as follows:**

Insert italicized/underlined text. Remove strikethrough text.

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Original by-law

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Proposed amended by-law

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## **2021 NHVOA Business Meeting Minutes**

Sunday August 1, 2021. NHTI in Concord, NH

Approval of 2020 Business Meeting Minutes

### Treasurer's Report – Donna Martineau

See handout- in good shape, balance as of July 31, 2021 \$6808.95.

Motion made to accept, unanimously passed

### Supervisor of Officials' Report – Phil Mollica

No real issues in girls last year, minor issues in boys. Let Phil know if you have any issues with conduct from coaches this season.

Motion made to accept, unanimously passed

### Rules Interpreter's Report – Rick Forge – Not in attendance

Use last year's book, only 2 minor rule changes.

### Assignor's Report – Dick Dumais

Still waiting for schedules from a few schools, need officials in the western and southwestern part of the state. Discussion about schedules, sometimes Dick needs to move people around, please be flexible.

Motion made to accept, unanimously passed

### Apprentice Chairman's Report – Terry Dostie

4 classes 9am-12pm, last 2 Saturdays in August, then work jamborees at NHTI. Need officials, word of mouth is best way to find new officials. Help out apprentices when they are working match before you. 3 officials, they work R2 for 1st 2 sets, if 3rd is non-deciding, they can choose to do R1, maybe keep score for a game during varsity, should stay. Take test on Aug. 26th, can become patched in 1 year if ready.

Jamboree at NHTI – Aug 28th 10am and on – need more help, games are timed, gets rust off, 2 courts, 4 officials. Sub Varsity pays for only 1 official.

Discussion about the possibility of assigning a mentor to each apprentice, so they could call and ask questions if Terry isn't available, maybe attend a match the apprentice is working to watch, make suggestions and help out, maybe jump in as R2 (no paid)

### Old Business

White is the default shirt, communicate with your partner if wearing black shorts. Shirts will be ordered online next year, blue and gray are now acceptable.

### New Business

Election – Vice President – John Fulton, no other candidates were submitted, the president cast 1 vote for John and he was re-elected.

### 2022-2023 Dues: Due are \$70.00 and send to Donna Martineau by Nov. 1, 2021

Annual dues are the sub-varsity officiating rate for the ensuing season, which was adopted by a membership vote at the 2016 Business Meeting. All dues postmarked after November 1, 2021 will be assessed a \$25 late fee.

## **Treasurer's Report: Donna Martineau**

**2021 Balance Forward: \$5448.86**

### Expenses:

Arbiter Fees: \$1033.00

NHVOA Website/Domain name: \$164.90

Zoom and Network Solutions: \$201.09

Evaluations: \$1550.00

Apprentice Fee and Expenses: \$665.71

NHIAA: Rule Books, Case Books, etc.: \$613.91

Piche's shirts: \$738.00

NHVOA Internet: \$182.88

Bank Statement fee: \$36.00

Dues Refunds: \$70.00 - Harry Blood

Mike Morgan Family donation: \$100.00

Fran Addorisio donation, End 68 Hours of Hunger: \$100.00

**Total Expenses: \$5455.49**

### Income:

Dues and Shirts: \$6511.00

**Total Income: \$6511.00**

**Balance as of August 5, 2022: \$6504.37**

## **Supervisor of Officials' Report: Donna Martineau**

Varsity and Sub-Varsity Rates next three years

		2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Volleyball	V	\$90.00	\$83.00	\$85.00
	Sub-V	\$70.00	\$63.00	\$65.00

**Mileage Tier 2023-24; 2024-25:** The mileage stipend of \$10.00 was removed from the fee listed and a mileage tier was presented.

A mileage stipend shall be paid to the driver for gasoline and wear and tear on their vehicle at the following tiers one way:

0-20 Miles	\$10.00
21-40 Miles	\$20.00
41-60 Miles	\$30.00
61+ Miles	\$40.00

Example for 2023-2024:

If you travel 43 miles one way and do a varsity game, you would be paid \$113.

If you do a varsity and JV match you would be paid \$166. (Var: \$83, JV:53, Mileage \$30)

## **Rules Interpreter's Report: Rick Forge**

The 2021/22 season utilized the use of online rule books (ebooks) as directed by the membership the previous year. This change was in response to the limited number of rule changes.

The testing switched from Arbiter to DragonFly and there were some minor issues that we were able to resolve. What wasn't available last year were the normal analytics that were available when the testing was done through the Arbiter. There were no available breakdowns on which questions were answered incorrectly which prevented a follow up for clarification. DragonFly, in conjunction with the NFHS, has strict copyright policies so altering and copying materials is forbidden.

This year the process was easier, the test is up and running and hopefully more analytics will be available at the end of the test period. The test also now includes video questions which should prove useful.

Last year's mid season clinic was focused primarily on line judging and thanks to Jeff and Ned for assisting with that.

There is a return to the rule book and case book this year and we also have access to the online rule book as well.

This year's mid season clinic is tentatively scheduled for September 18th and we will focus on mechanics and other topics that come up between now and then.

Take advantage of the NFHS Learning Center for officials as well as the NHVOA website as there are plenty of resources to help you.

Expect to see more updates as the season proceeds and as always if you need a rule clarification let me know.

## **Assignor's Report: Dick Dumais**

Athletic Directors were quite helpful this year in sending their preliminary schedules which meant I was able to start assigning officials in a timely fashion. Most of the Varsity matches are scheduled and I am working on assigning sub-varsity matches.

### **Assigning challenges**

- Three schools have added volleyball as approved NHIAA Varsity Sports: Kearsarge, Conant, and Concord Christian Academy.
- As of this time, we have 5 matches over a three-day period that will only have one official officiating the varsity match.
- There are dates where the predominance of Division 2 and 3 volleyball matches are scheduled in one area of the state. For example on September 7 matches are scheduled at the following schools: Kearsarge, Franklin, Kennett, Inter-Lakes, Stevens, Moultonborough, Prospect, and Winnisquam. This puts a tremendous burden on Lakes Region officials to cover those matches. We will be asking the NHIAA how they might help with having Division schedulers talk to each other about possibly communicating with each other and avoid scheduling a significant number of matches in one area of the state on the same date.
- The number of available officials continues to drop. The 22-23 numbers will change once we know how many apprentices stay with the program.

		<b>22-23</b>	<b>21-22</b>	<b>20-21</b>	<b>19-20</b>
<b>Summary</b>	<b>Officials</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>96</b>
	<b>Patched</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>86</b>
	<b>Apprentices</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>
	<b>Not enrolled</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>% change</b>	<b>% Officials</b>	<b>3.45%</b>	<b>-13.40%</b>	<b>1.04%</b>	<b>3.23%</b>
<b>by year</b>	<b>% Patched</b>	<b>-5.63%</b>	<b>-15.73%</b>	<b>3.49%</b>	<b>2.38%</b>
	<b>% Apprentices</b>	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>12.50%</b>	<b>-20.00%</b>	<b>11.11%</b>
<b>% change</b>	<b>% Officials</b>	<b>-10.34%</b>			
<b>since 19-20</b>	<b>% Patched</b>	<b>-21.13%</b>			
	<b>% Apprentices</b>	<b>0.00%</b>			

### **Number of Assignments at Home Sites**

You should not be assigned to work at a school's home site more than three times per season. The only exception are schools that are out of range from a majority of our officials. These schools include: Kearsarge, Hanover, Sunapee, Mascoma, Kennett, Stevens, Fall Mt., Keene, Conant, and Con Val. Officials working these schools may be assigned to work there up to four times in a season. Officials assigned to these outlying schools should be assigned no more than four times. Some are working more and I am working on moving officials around to accommodate this.

### Line Judges–College

Please email me if you are interested in being a line judge at Plymouth State University, Saint Anselm's College or Southern NH University.

### Late Start Times

We are asking officials to report matches that start late. There is a Google Form posted on our website for officials to complete if they attend a match that doesn't start at its posted time.

### Late Arrival Form Fall 2022

Officials should complete this form when a team arrives late, forcing the match to start later than scheduled. Officials will be asked the following:

- Email
- Varsity R1 Official's Name
- Varsity R2 Official's Name
- Date of Match
- Date
- Time Match was scheduled to start
- Time Match actually started
- Home Team
- Visiting Team
- Write a brief description about why team arrived late
- Additional comments

### **Shirt Proposal**

Every official will purchase two new blue shirts by October 1.

The goal is to have all matches being officiated in blue shirts sometime after October 15, including playoffs.

Cost of one shirt is \$39.99. Shipping is \$9.99  
We ask officials to purchase two shirts.

The Association will pay for one of those shirts and half the shipping charge. This would lower the dues by \$45.

If 2023-2024 Dues is set at \$70, then officials will only pay \$25 for Dues next year. Smitty's will provide a list of officials who bought two shirts.

There are 71 patched officials, 68 of which are active.

There are 10 apprentices, with at least 3 potentially being patched in October.

The cost to the Association for 68 shirts will be \$3,060.

Amount available from the treasury is \$6,504.37.

Apprentices will continue to wear white jerseys.

When an apprentice works in a mentored match then all officials will wear white. When an official becomes patched they will be offered the same one-time discount as patched officials and their dues for the ensuing year will be lowered by the cost of one shirt and half the shipping.