

## MSBOA MEETING MINUTES

**APRIL 6, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by incoming President Rich Antonelli at 10:04 A.M., and the following members were present:

BOARD 25----MARK ALFORD

BOARD 26----BOB CUSSON, RON PARKER

BOARD 27----RICH ANTONELLI, JACK DOYLE, MIKE HAMMOND, TOM O'CONNOR

BOARD 28----MIKE CHURCHILL

BOARD 30----BRIAN MIKOLAZYK

BOARD 31----JEFF RIVET

BOARD 44----LOU LEVINE, TIM O'BRIEN

BOARD 54----PETER HANSEN, RON SCARBROUGH

BOARD 95----JON LOWE, DON MCGILLICUDDY, DAVE ROURKE

BOARD 130---BOOTS, MIKE MUCHMORE, RICH NAPOLITANO, VIC THERIAULT

BOARD 162---JAROD SMOLLER

BOARD 175---BILL MILLER

BOARD 208---BABE GRADY, LARY MACHIONE, RON MARTEL, RICH VITALI

A moment of silence was held for all departed and sickly members and their families.

A motion was made by Mike Churchill, seconded by Peter Hansen to accept the minutes of the November meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Peter Hansen, seconded by Jon Lowe to accept the Treasurers report of the November meeting, with the motion carrying unanimously.

Ron Parker of Board 26 had mentioned that it would be fitting if the MSBOA recognized Bill Loftus as the Secretary Emeritus of the organization, for all of his hard work and dedication, not only to the State Board, but to Basketball.

A motion was then made by Mike Churchill, seconded by Peter Hansen, and unanimously passing, that Bill Loftus is recognized as the Secretary Emeritus of Massachusetts State Board #15. Thank you Bill for everything that you have done, and for all that you have accomplished.

## **LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

Bill Miller reported that the Life Membership Committee was presented with two names. Frank Beebe of Board #27 and Steve Crites from Board #28. It was the committees' decision to forward the name of Frank Beebe for consideration. A motion was made by Jon Lowe and seconded by Rich Antonelli to accept the decision, it passed unanimously.

## **FOX CLINIC:**

Ron Martel reported that Ron Parker of Board #26 did a tremendous job in gathering information from approximately 200 members throughout the state, relative to the Fox Clinic. The data collected showed that the clinics are wanted, needed, and desired. It was felt that the clinics would be better served if the locations varied. During discussions it was also noted the Foundation should probably expend more monies in the presentation of the clinics. Jon Lowe and Jack Doyle suggested that we consider a Golf Tournament.

## **MEETING DATES:**

It was mentioned that perhaps we change the meeting dates, to be more in tune with the Basketball season itself. It was said that we should probably meet in January or February to discuss any issues that may have occurred, or perhaps a conference call would be in order.

## **OFFICIALS VERSUS CANCER CAMPAIGN**

Of the \$87,287.19 that Massachusetts raised in the fight against cancer, Lou Levine was able to collect \$51,153.43 by himself. The power of one. Massachusetts can do better. It was suggested that perhaps the MSBOA consider a 50-50 raffle.

## **SPECIAL OLYMPICS:**

Babe Grady reported that there was 100% participation from the 13 boards in the State for this year's Special Olympics games. Well done. Hopefully this will be done every year. Babe will be meeting in late January, and early February in order

to firm up next year's plans. This is certainly one of the most gratifying moments that an official has.

### **WEB-SITE**

The web-site will be re-vamped somewhat with the work to be done by Steve Meidell of Board 44. It was suggested that perhaps the State Board consider the Social Media such as Facebook etc.

### **MEETING WITH MIAA**

Boots will meet with MIAA personnel on Thursday and told us that relative to the shot clock, they would try to see if it could be reset to 15, when fewer than 15, but they were not certain if it could be done. Bill said that three person officiating is improving, but that we need to get better. Bill Miller voiced his displeasure with the "fist pump", and suggested that Boots bring the topic up at the meeting. We are required to be present for the hand shake.

### **NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

Jon Lowe reported that one name for the office of Vice President would be brought forth, and that was Dave Gustafson from Board 26. With that, Mike Churchill moved that the secretary cast one vote for Dave Gustafson as the Vice President of Board 15. So moved. Congratulations to Dave.

Next meeting to be November 9, 2014, at 10:00 A.M. at the Auburn Rink.

Respectfully submitted

Tim O'Brien Secretary/Treasurer