

## **MSBOA MEETING MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 9, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by President Rich Antonelli at 10:07 A.M., and the following members were present:

BOARD 26----DAVE GUSTAFSON, BILL LOFTUS, RON PARKER

BOARD 27----RICH ANTONELLI, 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,

BOARD 130---BOOTS

BOARD 175--- NICK CASTELLONE, BILL MILLER

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

A moment of silence was held for all departed and sickly members and their families. Notably three recent losses Gerry Flynn, Tony Romano, and Bill Scribner

A motion was made by Mike Churchill, seconded by Ron Martel to accept the minutes of the April 9, 2014 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Larry Machione, seconded by Rich Antonelli to accept the Treasurers report of the April 9, 2014 meeting, with the motion carrying unanimously.

### **LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

Bill Miller reminded all present to have their respective nominations presented by the June 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. Bill told those present that Frank Beebe of Bd.27 had been chosen for Life Membership.

Tim O'Brien followed up by saying that Frank Beebe would be one of six people entering IAABO's Life Membership at the Spring Conference in Rochester, N.Y.

Rich Antonelli told us that he has chosen Bill Boutilier, and Peter Hansen to fill the two vacant posts on the State Boards Life Membership Committee.

### **NOMINATION COMMITTEE:**

Jon Lowe reported that the only position that the committee would be looking for name(s) is that of Vice President.

### **SPECIAL OLYMPICS:**

Babe Grady was very thankful to all boards, as there was 100% participation from the thirteen state Boards. Babe also told us that the dates for this year's Special Olympics have been set. Games will be played on Feb. 1, 2015 at Bridgewater State University, on Feb. 8, 2015, at the River School in Weston, and of Feb. 28, 2015 at St. Mark's in Southboro. The State Special Olympic Basketball Tournament will be played in Worcester on March 7<sup>th</sup> and March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at sites to be determined.

### **MIAA MEETING:**

Bill Boutilier attended a meeting at the MIAA on Oct. 15.2014 and reported that the 30 second shot clock was discussed relative to the re-setting when at 15 or under. Bill was told that modifications of this type are under a two year cycle, and that next year schools should have the computer capabilities to comply. It was suggested by Bill, to make the Coach's box 28 feet rather than 14, not the college rule, and the seat belt is still in effect when a Coach is assessed a technical foul. Bill was told that this proposed change is also under the two year cycle, and although a vote was 12-8 in favor, a change could take place next year, "MAYBE". There was discussion about the present system of the fist pump at the end of games. It was felt that the way the observation/participation is worded by the MIAA, it is not adhered to by the site management. The MIAA should make clear what it is they expect of the officials.

Bill said that he has been to Pittsfield for an Interpretation, and plans on going to the Cape for another, as well as Board 175. Boots told us that the proposal to have three person officiating throughout the season is still alive and that basically it is up to the schools if they want it or not.

### **INSURANCE:**

Larry Machione reported that all Boards are up-to-date, and that the State Board cannot require that individual boards have the Insurance we can simply recommend it. The problems arise with the delinquent boards, causing their respective members to be without insurance during the summer months. We are all reminded that the time period between May 1, and May 15<sup>th</sup> is when all boards should insure that they have Liability Insurance. The State Board has signed a three year contract with Borden-Perlman so that the Premium will be the same.

### **ENROLLMENT:**

Once again the time is near for enrollment with the MIAA. Individual boards may, or may not, request an extension, usually until Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> to pay. Larry Machione made a motion to approve the extension, seconded by Jon Lowe, and the motion passed unanimously.

### **GOOD OF THE BOARD:**

Rich Antonelli told us that Tom Lopes, Executive Director of IAABO, would be what could be termed as an Interpretation on Dec.7, 2014, Dedham Mass. Rich passed out a flyer, and extended an invitation to all boards.

Bill Boutilier told us that Bruce Anderson of Board 30 will be given a Mass. Coaches Service Award on the 29<sup>th</sup> of November at Holy Cross College. More info to follow.

The State Board recognized the appointment of Bill Loftus as Secretary Emeritus, and gave him a standing ovation. Well deserved. Thanks again, Bill, for all that you have done.

### **MEETING DATE:**

It was decided that we would have a conference call of Jan. 11, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. Since it was felt that we should meet during the season, and the fact that individual boards had meetings scheduled, a conference call was the best option. An agenda will be distributed before the call.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Larry Machione made a motion to adjourn at 11:37 A.M., seconded by Jon Lowe, and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Tim O'Brien Secretary/Treasurer