

MSBOA MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 10, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Churchill at 10:02 A.M., and the following members were present:

BOARD 25-----MARK ALFORD

BOARD 26----DAVE GUSTAFSON, BILL LOFTUS

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

BOARD 28--- MIKE CHURCHILL, ADAM FRENIER

BOARD 30----NOT REPRESENTED

BOARD 31----JOE LAVOIE

BOARD 44---- TIM O'BRIEN

BOARD 54---- RON SCARBROUGH

BOARD 95---- JON LOWE

BOARD 130---NOT REPRESENTED

BOARD 152---MARY BRADBURY

BOARD 175--- NICK CASTELLONE

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, with special recognition of the recent passing of Bill Miller.

A motion was made by Mark Alford, seconded by Ron Scarbrough to accept the minutes of the November 8, 2015 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Jon Lowe, seconded by Ron Scarbrough to accept the Treasurers report of the April 10, 2016 meeting, with the motion carrying unanimously.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Jack Doyle reported that nominations for Life Membership should be forwarded to Mike Hammond so that they can be forwarded to IAABO. The Names submitted for consideration will be Steve Crites Board #28, Babe Grady Board #208, and Tim O'Brien Board #44.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS:

Babe Grady was very thankful of the fact that all thirteen Massachusetts Boards participated in officiating the Special Olympics this year. Babe told us that our boards handled over 350 games in March and approximately 650 games overall since February. Once again a thank you to all of the Massachusetts Boards who continue to show why we are the best State in all of IAABO.

MIAA:

Tim O'Brien reported that Bill Boutilier would be attending a meeting at the MIAA on Thursday April 28, 2016. It was felt that Bill report to the MIAA that perhaps some written rules be considered in the selection of officials for the Tournament games. Should a referee be required to officiate ten regular season games to qualify, this number should be the same for both men's and women's games. Bill also mentioned that should an official work a State Tournament game, he or she would not be eligible to do so the following year.

INSURANCE:

Larry Machione stated that we will wait to hear from Donnie Eppley and IAABO before making any payments. Beth Andrews was let go by the Company and our coverage continues until May 14, 2016. We will report back to the local boards when we have more definitive information regarding Insurance.

BACKGROUND CHECKS:

There were no extraordinary situations reported by any of the boards. Ron Scarbrough did say that several people in their attempt to register did so by using Board 54 as their home board. Some people stated that they did so in an attempt to get assignments from the local commissioners. Other boards experienced the same situation.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE:

Rich Antonelli reported that the Committee would put forward two names, one for the position of Vice President, and one for the position of Secretary –Treasurer. Larry Machione was nominated for Vice President, and Mike Churchill for Secretary-Treasurer. Tim O’Brien cast a single for vote for both individuals after nominations were closed by Jon Lowe and seconded by Ron Scarbrough for both offices. Officers for the 2016-16 year will be Dave Gustafson, President, Mark Alford President-Elect, Larry Machione Vice-President, and Mike Churchill Secretary-Treasurer.

ANY AND ALL:

Mike Churchill was given a Plaque for his service as President for the year 2015-2016. Bill Loftus spoke of the service that Tim O’Brien had given to the Board for the past six years as Secretary-Treasurer.

Rich Antonelli reported that the Rules Committee may be looking to set the test date for all Boards in the month of April. Presently the test is given on the first and last Mondays of the month of November, with some boards giving the test in the month of April. More info to follow. We will have a State Board get together in Orlando for those attending.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Churchill entertained a motion by Rich Antonelli, seconded by Jon Lowe at 10:57 a.m. for adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT:

Bill Miller made a motion to adjourn at 11:42 A.M., seconded by Bill Boutilier, and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Tim O'Brien Secretary/Treasurer