

MSBOA MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 22, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Past President Mike Churchill at 4:02 P.M., and the following members were present:

BOARD 25 not represented
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BOARD 27 RICH ANTONELLI, JACK DOYLE, TOM O'CONNOR, BILL JOYCE, MIKE HAMMOND, DAVE ENGLESON
BOARD 28 MIKE CHURCHILL
BOARD 30 not represented
BOARD 31 not represented
BOARD 44 TIM O'BRIEN, SAL CIFFUETTI, ROMAN FERGUSON
BOARD 54 PETER HANSEN
BOARD 95 JON LOWE, DAVE ROURKE, JACK GLAZEBROOK
BOARD 130 DAN BRYANT, MIKE MUCHMORE
BOARD 152 not represented
BOARD 175 NICK CASTELLONE
BOARD 208 LARRY MACHIONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the April meeting were not available, and as such were not voted on for approval. This will occur at the next business meeting.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Mike Hammond reported that three nominations for Life Membership had been submitted for consideration to the Life Membership Committee. Those received were Steve Crites - Board #28, Tim O'Brien - Board #44 and Babe Grady - Board #208. As per our past policy, the MSBOA will vote on the committee's recommendation and will submit only one application forward to IAABO each year. The Life Membership committee met earlier in the day and has recommended that the MSBOA submit the name of Tim O'Brien to IAABO for their consideration. A motion was made by Peter

Hansen and seconded by Jon Lowe to submit Tim O'Brien's name to IAABO. The motion carried unanimously and the Secretary/Treasurer will submit this application to IAABO with a letter of support from the MSBOA.

AD'S FOR IAABO MEETINGS:

Mike Hammond brought up the fact that many boards are not currently supporting the IAABO National Meeting Ad Books. As we found out while running the Myrtle Beach meeting, this is a key source of operating income for running a meeting. Mike ask that the delegates go to their board's Executive Committee and ask that each board consider placing advertisements for the National Meetings in the future.

MIAA CONCERN:

Jack Doyle raised a concern to the board that he was aware of in regards to the North sectional final that had occurred between New Mission and Brighton. The concern was in regards to how the MIAA had handled the postgame activities of the officials. The game was held at a school site and there was not an adequate security presence at the game. This became an issue at the end of the game when no MIAA presence was available at the final handshake, and a parent was able to access the makeshift changing area for the officials and in anger, upended at table in the direction of the officials.

This is a serious concern for our officials, and something that the board feels should be addressed during the MIAA meeting on April 28th. A motion was made by Dan Bryant and seconded by Jack Doyle for the Secretary to reach out to the officials involved in the game to get statements from them regarding the event and to forward these to Bill Boutilier so that he has the information available for the MIAA meeting. The motion passed unanimously and the Secretary will reach out to the involved officials.

INSURANCE:

Larry Machione stated that all boards should get their liability insurance policies renewed in advance of the May 15th deadline with Borden Perlman. Our new contact is Eileen Stanton, and she is replacing Beth Andrews. The Secretary will send reminders to all boards to insure that this is cared for in advance of the deadline.

The MSBOA will also need to decide on a D&O policy for this year and the options are a \$1MM policy for \$450 or a \$2MM policy for \$875. A motion was made by Peter Hansen and seconded by Mike Hammond to purchase the \$2MM policy. The motion passed unanimously and the policy will be purchased as directed.

OFFICIALS VERSUS CANCER:

Tim O'Brien addressed the members present in regards to the Officials versus Cancer campaign. He announced to the group that Lou Levine of Board 44 had personally raised \$83,000, and near \$250,000 over the past four years. His tremendous efforts have made Massachusetts the state which has raised the most for this cause, but every board should be thinking of ways that they can increase their donations as well. Tim's comments were echoed by many in the room, and all delegates were asked to go back to their local boards and try to come up with ways that we can all support this effort.

ANY AND ALL:

Jon Lowe thanked the MSBOA for their support and recommendation for IAABO Life Membership. The Life Membership Luncheon will be held on Saturday, April 23rd and Jon will be part of the five person class receiving Life Membership from IAABO at that time.

NEXT MEETING:

We will have a State Board get together in Gettysburg for those attending, and will determine the date of the November meeting at that time.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Dan Bryant and seconded by Jon Lowe at 4:47 P.M. for adjournment.