

IAABO – Central Maine Board #20

Association Meeting Minutes

Camp Chamberlain
Augusta, ME

Sunday, November 7, 2021
5 p.m.

- The meeting was called to order at 5:12 p.m., with 69 members present.
- President's Report
 - President Bridgham reported on the support and input he provided towards completing a new contract with the MPA for the current season, as well as efforts in support of the next four year contract.
 - Mr. Bridgham, who serves as Maine basketball's representative to the MPA Officials Advisory Committee, noted that the Committee will be meeting later in November.
- Secretary/Treasurer Report
 - Approval of the February 28th Business Meeting Minutes
 - Motion to accept the minutes as presented made by Mr. Stailing, seconded by Mr. Parkhurst. **The motion passed unanimously**
 - The Treasurer's report was presented with \$10,815.61 balance existing in the Association's bank account.
- Assignor's Report
 - Assignor Tourtelotte reported that 300 games had been entered into the system, with the majority of schedules still outstanding. Mr. Tourtelotte was awaiting information regarding how mileage and carpooling will be handled, based on pandemic conditions.
 - During Mr. Tourtelotte's report, the topic of late payment by member schools was brought up and discussed. Mr. Baehr made a recommendation that a \$10 late fee be added to future MPA contracts for schools not paying four weeks after the date of the contest.
- Interpreter, Coordinator of Officials and Council Reports
 - Interpreter Halliday reported that the IAABO, Inc. Fall Seminar was very successful and beneficial. In total, there were 17 presentations on various topics, as well as the annual presentation of life membership awards. Five members from Maine chapters attended in all.
 - Mr. Halliday reminded members that the manual exam was available to be completed on the association website, under the member only link. A 52% or higher score is required to gain one rating point, with the exam deadline being December 31st.
 - Several presentations were presented via the Maine Speaker Series on Zoom, being facilitated by local clinicians. Clinicians included Mr. Barry Fuller, Mr. Jeff Jewett, Ms. Julie Goupille, Mr. Bridgham and Mr. Halliday.
 - Mr. Halliday highlighted a new Maine General Health officials' health program being offered locally, called the Sports Medicine Active Response Team (SMART).
 - Updates were also provided to the membership on:
 - IAABO University registrations
 - The Floor Education program led by V.P. Clough
 - The Veterans Class program led by Member At Large Scott
 - Plans for the Pool B three person certification program, led by Mr. Jeff Mertz

- Commission Representative Report
 - Commission Representative Baehr provided an update related to the Commission's October 4th meeting.
 - Local school protocols will be followed regarding the pandemic, with the MPA providing no global policy for protocols.
 - The other highlight related to changes to tournament voting for coaches. It was decided that instead of coaches voting for their top ten officials, they instead will only provide two votes for the purpose of blocking those officials from being assigned to their tournament games.
- Reports from IAABO, Inc. Committee Representatives
 - Ms. Clough provided an update regarding her work with the Women's Officials Coordinating Committee. Her report included useful information she had gained in support of future recruiting efforts of new officials.
- Old Business
 - Update regarding the three person officiating crew proposal presented to member schools
 - Mr. Barstow updated the membership that Marranacook, North Haven, Kents Hill, Mount Abram, Monmouth Academy all have chosen to participate in the preseason discount game fee program in exchange for full rate three person assignments in season.
 - Update regarding the 2021-22 MPA Basketball Officials Contract
 - Mr. Barstow and Mr. Bridgham reported on details related to the one year MPA officials contract. The agreement maintains 2020-21 game fees with additions provided for rider fees and other provisions. Mr. Barstow will continue to work as the board's representative, as work begins on a four year contract that may encompass multiple sports, versus basketball only.
- New Business
 - Nomination and Election of Vice President and Member At Large
 - Motion by Mr. Kyle Price, seconded by Mr. Clayton Pottle to nominate Ms. Tawnya Clough for Vice President and Brian Richardson for Member At Large, filling currently vacated terms. **The motion passed unanimously**
 - Commission Representative Baehr presented a draft Professional Development Program that would change the current ratings system in the long term, while increasing the opportunity for third party evaluations from select members, for the purpose of professional improvement and development. No action was taken on the proposal, with a goal of beginning evaluations as part of the plan on a trial basis this season.
- Announcements
 - Board Policy concerning the accepting of assignments – MPA start date will be November 22nd.
- Adjournment
 - Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Jeff Mertz, seconded by Mr. Bob Mullen. **The motion passed unanimously**
 - The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.