

Central Pennsylvania Basketball Officials Association Business Meeting
October 24th, 2004, Susquehanna Township High School

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by president, Jim Morey. Attendance was taken through cards. Please see the website for the attendance spreadsheet.

President, Jim Morey, welcomed all members to the first meeting of the 2004-05 basketball season.

The minutes from the March 7th, 2004 business meeting were read by Barbara Eppley, secretary. There was a motion made by Harold Pomraning to accept the minutes as read. There was a second by James Lorant. The association voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

Tim Hughes, treasurer, distributed copies of the financial statement for the latest fiscal year. He pointed out that the non-PIAA assignor's phone bill is no longer being paid by the association. Thus, that would be the last time it will be an item on the financial statement. He reported that the association donated \$4,128 to the Support the Troops program. There was \$103 leftover from our donations, which will be donated to the USO. A motion by Paula Bauer was made to accept the treasurer's report. The motion was given a second by Leni Roepcke. The association voted unanimously to accept the treasurer's report.

Audit:

James Williamson completed his audit of the financial record and found it to be in good order.

Awards:

Paula Bauer reminded the association of the prestigious awards that we give out to schools and officials. She encouraged us to have a greater level of participation this year.

Constitution:

Barbara Eppley reported that the committee has finished the proposed changes. They are currently being finalized and will be made available to the association soon.

Grievance and Ethics:

Kaaba Brunson happily reported that there are no current grievances.

History:

Leni Roepcke was introduced as the new historian. She had no report.

Public Relations:

Dick Mertz had no report.

Nominations:

There was no report.

Training and Education / Recruiting:

Craig Bradley, interpreter, reported that there were approximately 15 officials who passed the test last spring and this fall and have joined our chapter.

Ways and Means:

Mark Scarangella distributed 20 raffle tickets to all members present this day. He stated that you need to return your ticket stubs and \$20 to him no later than December 19th, 2004. If you sell 50 or more tickets you will be given a free banquet ticket.

Women's Equity:

Michelle Rolko introduced herself as the new chairperson and had no report at this time.

Unfinished Business:

Jim Morey reported that there was no unfinished business from the last meeting.

New Business:

Donnie Eppley, Mid-Penn and non-PIAA assignor, addressed the association. He stated that if you do not have a photo to him by Friday, then you will not receive a schedule. He said that contracts will be done electronically. On assign-by-web, if you have a yellow block that means you have a pending assignment. He is only releasing one half of the schedule at a time. It will be through December 31st initially. The other half will be released around December 20th. There will be no game confirmation reports filed this year. However, you still must contact your partner prior to each contest. The referee is required to submit a game report. Technical foul reports are to be filed by the calling official. Coaches and officials will be rating on-line this year. We are going back to a 1-10 rating system per request of many officials. Disqualification reports must be filed with the PIAA within 24 hours. They can be faxed or done on-line if you secure a password from the PIAA (Anita Fox @ 697-0375). Everyone is requested to work two scrimmages. The schools may give you \$10 this year. They are required to pay us \$10

beginning with the 2005-06 season. He reported that Central Dauphin schools will be using 3-person, Carlisle will not, and Redland girls will not. He will be utilizing 3 experienced officials for 3-person assignments. There will be a boys' junior high tournament at Cumberland Valley where inexperienced officials can gain 3-person experience. He commended the 90 or so officials that attended training camps this summer. The coaches' box will be in effect for all levels of contests. However, the CYO has agreed that their coaches will remain seated. He encouraged all to read 10-4 in the rule book. The non-PIAA fee will still be \$23. You should send non-PIAA availability to eppleyt@comcast.net. You must send an email when you need to turn back an assignment. He will clear it from your calendar. At which time you need to go back to the calendar and mark it as closed (red). Junior varsity officials will not be rating anyone this year. Varsity officials will rate jv officials.

Mentoring Program:

Mark Carley introduced all new members present at this meeting. Also, new transfer members, Chris Happ, Bob Porambo, Josh Schoenly, and Jeff Benedict were introduced.

50/50:

The 50/50 drawing was \$126. Mike Bennett won \$40 and Ed Salter won \$23 leaving \$63 to be deposited in the association's account.

Presentation of Awards:

Annie Hine, Patrice Ametrano, and Michele Rolko were presented with their plaques for having work a state final for the 2003-04 season.

Craig Bradley spoke to the association concerning the "business side to officiating" and the coaches' box.

Highlighted items included:

- Priorities
- Presentation of the product
- Paperwork
- Protection
- Equipment
- Public relations
- Honesty
- Time management

For the coaches' box, he stated that it will depend on where the benches are as to where the box will be. It applies to the head coach only. If there is no room to walk, then they may stand, but then there is no box. They are not permitted to stand on the floor. If a technical foul is assessed, the coach must remain seated thereafter.

Ed Salter made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. The motion was seconded by Leni Roepcke. All were in favor.

A new officials meeting was held separately at this time.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Eppley
CPBOA Secretary