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SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF BASKETBALL OFFICIALS
SERVING **NORTHEAST FLORIDA**

Regular Season Minutes of February 9, 2011
Schultz Center

Jerry Williams, Vice-President called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. There were 62 persons in attendance. Reading of the minutes was waived.

The meeting dates for the 2009/10 season are posted on the www.sabo.cc website. All meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Schultz Center.

Katie Axtell, a potential new official for the 2011/12 season was in attendance.

Expenditures for an end of season party and dues reimbursement were tabled due to funding issues.

Jerry Williams read a letter from Greg Bing to the Membership (Attached).

Committee Reports: None

Vice President's Report: No Report

Commissioner's Report:

Volunteers were solicited to host officials at the Jacksonville area Regional Tournament sites for Tuesday February 15, Thursday February 17, Saturday February 19, Tuesday February 22 and Saturday February 26. Save your receipts for reimbursement. Please contact the commissioner for game sites.

Old Business: Nominations from the floor were taken. Elections for officers will be held at the February 23, 2011 meeting. Those nominated are as follows:

President: Terrence Mitchell, Lawrence Starling, John Woodbury

Vice President: Jerry Williams

Secretary: Steve Naso

Treasurer: Gary Gier

Member at Large: Michelangelo Duggins, Henry Snyder

Sgt at Arms: Garry Albertie, Ray Wagner

Commissioner: Nile Dixon; James Williams

New Business: Ronnie Jones and James Williams presented written suggestions for improving the Recommendations Committee process for the 2011/12 season. Copies of the written suggestions are attached to the minutes.

Next Regular Season Meeting: Wednesday February 23, 2011 at the Schultz Center 6:30 pm.

Nothing further, meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.
Steve Naso, Secretary

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Please Share:

Ideally this is not the way that I would like to address you, but on Thursday around noon I found out that I needed to get back to Jacksonville, start packing and be in DC on Tuesday for work. I will be at FAA headquarters for one year and will miss the 2011-2012 season.

As your outgoing President I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve you and to make SABO better. I brought several challenges to you and rose to the task. I asked that we have more of a pool to select from for district play and beyond. You responded by attending field clinics, scoring higher on your exams and improving your rankings in the state to Rank 1 and 2 officials. I have seen new officials progress so rapidly that you have to sincerely question if these new officials are truly new to officiating. Most of all, I have seen a bond among SABO that fills my heart as a President. Thanks to all of you that made my job so easy by encouraging me, reminding me and being forthcoming about our shortfalls. Thanks to you we were able to correct a great deal of wrongs. I will truly miss you all in the upcoming year, but I ask that you continue to progress with great strides in your professionalism, and care for each other. If you give the next President the support and love that you have given me, the sky is the limit. I pray for the continued success of the organization and each of you.

Fraternally,
Greg

Section 1

Ratings consisting of a numbered list will be filled out by all members at the end of the basketball season. Apprentices will be rated, however lists submitted by apprentices will not be used in compiling final **ratings** list.

Section 2

The ordered list will include every partner or observed official for varsity and junior varsity games. All certified officials shall fill out **ratings**. Lists will be discarded for any official who did not work 10 **SABO** rated games (JV or Varsity) during the season.

Section 3

For a rating on an observed game to count, a minimum of 2 full quarters of the game shall be observed. If not in attendance for the two required quarters of an observed game, the official(s) should not be included on the ordered list. The reason for not rating will be included at the bottom of the list explaining why any official was not included.

Section 4

Within the first week after their last scheduled game, the member's ordered list shall be sent to the **Ratings** Compiler. Referees will not be paid for the season worked until their **ratings** are turned in to the **Ratings** Compiler. Any **ratings** that are submitted after the first week as described above will be subject to a fine (see Article XVII).

Section 5

Ratings will be calculated as follows:

1. The **ratings** compiler will calculate the "preliminary ranking." This is done by simply averaging each officials ranking. Every officials ranking on each list is added together and then divided by the number of lists they are on. The **ratings** compiler will then order these average rankings in numerical order and come up with a "preliminary ranking."
2. If any individual list has an official ranked more than 10 places away from the "preliminary ranking" then that discrepancy is discarded. Once these discrepancies are eliminated, the **ratings** spot for officials #21 and lower are recalculated and become final.
3. The **ratings** compiler will now calculate the district and state ranking for the officials who were in the top twenty after the preliminary rankings. This is accomplished by using the same formula as before, but only using the lists submitted by the top 20 ranked officials. The logic of this is to order the top twenty officials based on their ~~own~~ rankings rather than the rankings of our entire association. The **ratings** compiler will calculate the district and state rankings using the same formula as used for the preliminary rankings. This ranking will determine district playoff and state assignments for the following year.

Section 6

The executive board shall have final authority on all **ratings** and may elect to delete **ratings** that do not meet the above criteria from official's scores.

Article IX – TOURNAMENT SELECTIONS

Section 1

For District Tournaments, the assigning secretary, as directed by the board, shall submit a list of rated certified officials from the current year's **ratings**, who meet the following criteria:

1. Officials must have a minimum of ten varsity assignments in the present basketball season.
2. Officials must have attended at least 75% of the meetings from the present season and successfully pass the WIAA approved test.
3. Officials must have attended a Rules Clinic for the present season.

Section 2

Any official who works in two consecutive State Tournaments will take a one year leave and allow the next highest rated official the opportunity to go to a State Tournament. The rating will be based on the previous year placement, and that official will have had to officiate that season.

Article XVIII RATING SYSTEM

The officials rating used by the SCHSL in making game assignments shall be by the following rating system.

Credit Factors	Written Examination	SCBOA Credit	Officials Rating	Clinic, Exam & Meetings	Cooperation	Total
Maximum Points	30	25	25	15	5	100

Actual point earned are computed as follows:

- Written Examination** 30 times the percentage grade.
- SCBOA Credit** 4 points for each year of certified experience for the first five years. 2.5 points for each year of certified experience for the next two years. (Experience in other states must be confirmed in writing by the athletic association of the state in which the official was certified.)
- Officials Peer Rating** Ratings are submitted on a scale of 1 to 10. The average is computed and multiplied by 2.5.
- Clinic Exam (Written)** 1 point is earned by attending a league-sponsored clinic. 2 points are earned by attending statewide exam.
- District Meetings** 12 points are earned as follows:
 One point for each of six classroom meetings prior to the season.
 One point for each of two classroom meetings after the start of the season.
 One point for each of two inter-school scrimmages assigned by the district director.
 One point for each of two classroom meetings and/or scrimmages.
- Cooperation** Deduction of points are determined by the Commissioner and/or the district director. The district director may deduct up to two points.

- B. Deleted.
- C. For District Directors, the Officials Peer Rating during their term of office shall be the higher of the following; the peer rating they came into office with or the calculated peer rating for each year.
- D. Rating Adjustments for Officials.
 - By a District's Local Review Board
 Can only adjust up ratings based on available experience points. If an official has not maxed out on "Experience" points, his district's local review board may adjust up an official's rating, by utilizing the available unearned experience points. Once adjusted up, it stays up (no need to re-up their rating each year). Also a point can be earned for attending a qualifying officiating camp (once earned, it stays).
 - By the SCBOA Board of Directors
 All other adjustments to an official's rating, when their "Experience" points are maxed out, can only be made thru the Board of Directors.
- E. An official who takes the exam, but does not officiate that season shall have their rating set by taking their previous year's rating and substituting the lower of the two exam scores (current year vs previous year) to calculate their rating for next season.

PROPOSED CHANGES FOR STATE PLAYOFF CREWS

- Meet all requirements of the FHSAA and all requirements of Southern Association of Basketball Officials for the the current calendar year. These changes should assure a more equitable opportunity for all members of S.A.B.O.

(1) MUST MAKE A 90% SCORE ON THE CLOSED BOOK EXAM.

(2) MUST REFEREE 20 HIGH SCHOOL GAMES BEGINNING WITH THE CURRENT YEAR OF OFFICIATING. THE 20 GAMES MUST BE A RECORD OF S.A.B.O. MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE 1ST MEETING OF THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE.

(3) THE TOP 5 CREWS FROM EACH SIDE OF THE LEDGER, MENS AND WOMENS SHALL HAVE 1 NEW OFFICIAL ON EACH CREW THAT HAS NEVER BEEN SELECTED TO A STATE FINAL FOUR CREW.

REFERENCE TO NEW OFFICIALS

(ALL OFFICIALS THAT MEET SAID REQUIREMENTS IN THIS DOCUMENT, AND HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED IN A STATE FINAL FOUR.)

(4) THE TOP 5 CREWS (30 OFFICIALS,) SELECTED SHALL BE INTERVIEWED BY THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE, THIS WILL PROVIDE A VALUABLE TOOL THAT MAY ASSIST IN THE SELECTION PROCESS. IF THE OFFICIALS ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO BE INTERVIEWED AT A TIME REQUESTED BY THE COMMITTEE THEY MAY BE POSSIBLY NEGATED TO CREW 3, 4, OR 5, IF ANY OFFICIAL PROVIDES THE COMMITTEE IN WRITING WITHIN 5 DAYS OF ANY JOB ASSINGMENT, OR PERSONAL CONFLICT, A 2ND DATE WILL BE PROVIDED FOR A POSSIBLE MEETING.

(5) SCORE CARD

S.A.B.O. WILL PROVIDE A POST CARD, EACH CARD WILL PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, AND THE TWO CARDS WITH THE LOWEST SCORE WILL BE THOWN OUT, SUCH CARDS WILL BE SENT TO MR. GARY GEIR FOR THE FINAL RESULTS.

TEAM VS TEAM
DATE
REF U1 U2

APPEARANCE
PRE GAME
PUNCTUALITY
GAME MANAGEMENT
MECHANICS

A SCORE FROM 1 TO 5 WILL APPEAR, WITH 5 BEING THE TOP SCORE

(6) MEMBERS ON THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE MAY SERVE ONLY ONCE EVERY 4 YEARS, THIS WILL ASSURE MORE INVOLVEMENT FROM THE ENTIRE GROUP, FURTHERMORE EACH MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE WILL EXCUSE HIM OR HERSELF FROM ANY LISTS INVOLVING THE TOP 5 CREWS.

(7) THE COMMISSIONER OF S.A.B.O. WILL NOT ATTEND THE MEETING OF THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE. HE WILL PROVIDE ONLY SCRATCH LISTS PERTAINING TO OFFICIAL VS OFFICIAL.

SINCERELY,

RON JONES

Handwritten notes: "Rosi" and "CAME" with a large checkmark, and "CALLE" with a checkmark.