



SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF BASKETBALL OFFICIALS
SERVING NORTHEAST FLORIDA

Membership Meeting Minutes of August 16, 2006
Schultz Center

Pete Weaver, President called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. There were 79 persons in attendance.

Minutes from the August 2, 2006 meeting were waived. Minutes from the Executive Board Meeting of August 2, 2006 were read.

Treasurers Report:

Receipts for dues paid were mailed out.

The President shares a new official's packet put together by Jack Jones which will be merged with the New Official information posted on the www.sabo.cc website.

The President asked that profile sheets be completed by all in attendance and returned to the Secretary.

The meeting locations for September 20 and October may be changed to the Ed White Gym for on court training. More information shall follow.

Jim Harrison withdrew his proposed Constitutional amendment.

The following seven (7) new members were welcomed and introduced: Blaine Anderson, Willie Bouie, James Garuin, Tisha Haile, Terry Lloyd, Matthew Mosca, and Ron White.

The Deadline for FHSAA registration is September 1, 2006. Late registrations shall incur a \$10 late fee from the FHSAA.

The FHSAA Rules Clinic will be presented at a future date to be determined date by SABO. The FHSAA rules exam is scheduled for Monday November 6, 2006 at 6:30 pm at Sandalwood and Ed White High Schools. Failure to attend a FHSAA Rules Clinic or take the Rules Exam shall incur a \$50 fine from the FHSAA for each occurrence.

All members must comply with the Provisions of the Florida Jessica Lunsford Act which provides for the completion of a Level 2 Background screening for all Sports officials. Information regarding policy and procedures for completing Background screening for each County we serve is posted on the www.sabo.cc website.

Dues for the 2006/07 season are \$30 for returning members and \$35 for new members. The deadline for Dues for returning members was the Organizational Meeting (July 26th) Dues paid after this date incur a \$10 late fee.

Commissioners Report: Nile Dixon asked the members for their help in keeping assignments, and working the Duval County Middle School Girls Season which runs from September 5th to October 19, 2006. Most games will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays with a 5:00 p.m. start. Pay per official shall be \$35 per six minute quarter game plus eight dollars travel per official.

Transfer officials need to have a letter of recommendation from their previous association sent to the Commissioner to assist in getting their credentials updated.

Background screenings are good for three years and must be renewed every fourth year. Thus far 128 persons have been approved by Duval County.

New Business:

Three proposed Constitutional Amendments were submitted by Steve Naso (attached)

The Training Meeting was conducted by George Phillips. The topic was the 2006/07 Officials Guidebook.

- The following issues were also addressed:
- Be approachable to coaches;
- Correctable errors;
- Differences between disqualifications vs. ejections;
- Unsportsmanlike behaviors;
- Miscellaneous reports;
- Good Sportsmanship reports
- Forms available on www.fhsaa.org website;
- Schools responsibility to officials;
- Must provide Pre-game, halftime and post game security;
- If you have a security issue at a site, please notify the President and Commissioner. Do not talk or comment to unruly spectators.
- Cheerleading policy – Mascots are part of the cheerleading squad. They can not interfere with the game.

Rule changes for the 2006/07 season are posted on the www.sabo.cc website.

The Purchase Officials Supplies visit scheduled for August 30 will be rescheduled for another date.

Pete Weaver informed the membership of the recent passing of Eartha Napoleon, wife of Beryl Napoleon. Pete asked that we keep Beryl and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

Next Meeting: Wednesday August 30, 2006

Nothing further, meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Steve Naso, Secretary

Proposed Constitutional Amendments
Submitted August 16, 2006
By: Stephen Naso

Amend ARTICLE VIII
Meetings

To add the following:

- G. SABO shall conduct the maximum number of Pre-Season Training Clinics as prescribed by FHSAA, with an approved format by FHSAA to be the main order of business. The President shall set the dates, hours and sites for these meetings, and the Secretary shall give due written notice (by postal or email) to the membership of such meetings. There shall be no substitution of FHSAA Rules Clinic as one of the Training Clinics that are required by the State.

Amend ARTICLE IX
Election of Officers

To add the following:

- C. There shall be a minimum ten-day written (by postal or email) notice of the election, said notice to be given by the Secretary stating the date, hour and site for the election, and the nominees.
- E. In the event of a vacancy in the ranks of the officers during the period when pre-season meetings are being held, or during the regular season, the President shall notify the members of the vacancy at a regular meeting and at the following regular meeting an election will be held, with nominations to be made from the floor. If the vacancy is in the office of the President, the Vice-President will make the notification. If a vacancy in the ranks of the officers occurs between seasons, the President shall call a special meeting to fill the vacancy, with a minimum ten (10) days written (by postal or email) notice of the vacancy and the date and place of the election, said notice to be given by the Secretary to members by mail or email at their last known address. The election to fill the vacancy shall be conducted in accordance with provisions of Roberts Rules of Order relating to the filling of a vacancy in an office at a special meeting. If a vacancy is in the office of the President, the notification and the calling of the special meeting will be by the Vice-President.

Amend ARTICLE V
Officers

Add the following:

- B. The term of office for each officer shall be one year. To be eligible to hold office, a candidate must have been a member of SABO for three consecutive years, prior to the election.

Amend ARTICLE IV
Duties of the Membership

Add the following:

- D. Every member of SABO is required to attend all pre-season training clinics following the Organizational Meeting as set forth by the President. A fine of Three Dollars (\$3.00) shall be imposed for each meeting missed. No game shall be assigned to a member with an unpaid fine. The stated fine in Article IV, Section D, shall not be imposed upon any member in good standing that has been assigned to a game by the Commissioner when the scheduled date and time of the game, coincide or conflict with the scheduled pre-season training clinic. A portion of the fines collected, as determined by the Executive Board, shall be utilized to establish and fund a scholarship program to be established by the Executive Board so as to honor the memory of former SABO members who have honorably served the Southern Association of Basketball Officials.