

EBASOA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING  
October 28, 2018

Dues of \$70.00 per member were collected by Treasurer Salvador, assisted by Vice President Thompson. Assignor fees collected by Jim Kisselburgh.

Meeting called to order by President Trimbach at 9:20AM at the Van Patten Country Club, Clifton Park.

Opening Remarks by President Trimbach

Chuck welcomed membership and thanked everyone, Board included, for a great season!

Secretary Sellner conducted roll call.

Evaluation Process – Chuck commented despite a few “bumps in the road”, the 1<sup>st</sup> year of our new referee evaluation process went well – some members less cooperative than others – on line form was available for coaches, but used less than the Board had hoped for at start of season - Chuck reminded everyone that the evaluation process, while required by Section 2, is our way to ensure we are putting the best product possible on the field – thanked Aaron Corman, Ron Clark, Rick Seeley and Gary Kalinkewicz for their efforts.

Sportsmanship Awards for 2017 were as follows:

- AA – CBA
- A – Queensbury
- B – Hudson
- C – Canajoharie
- D – Bishop Maginn

Frank Mills Scholarship for 2018 was awarded to LaSalle Senior Ethan Tremblay.

Chuck congratulated and presented awards to 2017 State Tournament Officials Paul Bascomb, Michael Glannon, and Chris Crocker.

Elections to be held today: 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, North & South area chairs (2 years), East area chair (1 year) to fill Ron Clark’s (who is resigning) term. Chuck thanked Ron for his service to the Board and commented that Ron will be missed.

By Law Amendment – Chuck reread the amendment proposed by Aaron Corman at last year’s meeting, and Aaron reaffirmed the amendment is simply our way to “recommend” officials for the State Tournament, but ultimately, it is the Section’s choice who is selected. Those in favor: 51; Opposed 12. Amendment carries.

## Assignor Report – Kisselburgh

Jim thanked everyone for their efforts and flexibility this season. Commented with the weather, things became very hectic with changes, and everyone was very helpful.

Assignor Invoices – Jim confirmed that the invoices DO NOT include cancelled games.

### Sectional Issues:

#1 - Catskill vs Mechanicville – Harms & Kokernak did a great job despite the massive melee near end of match – both Ads from each school complimenting John & Joe for their efforts;

#2 – Greenville vs. Mechanicville – Paul Bascomb, Mark Harrington, and Dan Pryde great job ensuing game was played fairly and with sportsmanship.

#3 – Ballston Spa vs. Averill Park – Ron Gescedi and Mickey Levernois – excellent PK calls, red cards following completion of match – more reason to vacate premises immediately following matches.

Travel “Champions” – Maynard – 2006 miles, Keturah – 2078 miles, Kindersley – 2122 miles, Bascomb – 2306 miles, Carroll – 2416 miles, Schmale – 2418 miles, McKenna – 2582, Grand “Champion” with 2720 miles was Michael Ryan – thanks to all for their commitment.

One Official Modifieds – up this year substantially due to weather and scheduling changes – by Contract, we are required to send two officials – school’s choice to accept a single official.

Accepting Games – Jim understands things happen, but if you have to turn back an assignment, he asks that you avoid doing so last minute (emergencies the exception), and be respectful to give him as much time as possible to adjust.

Jim closed by thanking the entire membership once again for their efforts & commitment.

Elections – Nominating Chair Kristin Green set forth Chris Crocker as nomination for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, there were no additional nominations from the floor, Secretary Sellner cast one vote for approval.

Longevity Recognition – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice president Thompson shared those members marking significant milestones this past year as follows:

5 Years – Tyler Anable, Chuck Clas, Kristin Green, Alex Gryner

10 Years – Earl Chase III, Dan Pryde, Alan Kaufman

20 Years – Steve Foland, Ron Gescedi

30 Years – Jeff French, Giovanni Possumato, Scott Reynolds, Dennie Williams

40 Years – Jim Kisselburgh

Treasurer’s Report – Salvador - see attached

### Membership Committee Promotions

Chair Sellner recognized the following for achieving Varsity Certified status this season:

2016 Class – Rich Simon, Josh Tusang

2017 Class – Rob Colborn, Brendan Fanning, Ian MacCormack, Hassan Mostafa, Mike Sansone

Frank Mills Award 2018 – President Trimbach informed membership that this year’s recipient is McClean Merryman.

### Caucus Breakout Sessions

North – Rick Seeley re-elected as area chair – issues included some concerns about last minute partner changes, and need for partners to stay in contact, especially to confirm site changes, etc

South – Aaron Corman re-elected as area chair – issues included schools not responding to our confirmations of games, concerns about leaving social security numbers on vouchers, and whether schools could use the fingerprinting database for this info instead – group would like Membership to have greater say/input in to Sectional Assignments – Evaluation process – if we are evaluating an official on a match, do so for both officials on the game – will allow for greater, quicker evaluation of the entire membership

West – Chair Kalinkewicz reported that some of the new members felt the coaches were reluctant to submit evaluations – also, many new members were paired with other new members, and as such, less of an opportunity to obtain evaluations as a whole

East – Armand Doin served as chair for the meeting (given Clark’s resignation) – many of the members don’t know what group (North, South, East, West) they belong to – is there a way to share this info differently than we do today – concerns about the lack of ball boys/girls at many matches – can create tough situation if home team is winning close match and there are numerous delays retrieving game balls – after prompting, Don Maynard agreed to serve as area chair – congratulations Don!

### General Comments

Kevin Shultes commented that Section 2 needs to address the ball boy/girl issues so that this responsibility can be fully out of our hands (coaches can’t be looking to us to stop game clock, etc); also said social security number does not have to be left – provide your phone number and ask the business office to call you for the #; Sectional Assignments – reiterated that this is their Tournament, and as much as we’d like input, it’s up to the Section to decide who will officiate.

### 50/50 Drawing

Joe Amirault – donated back to Frank Mills fund

Mark Harrington

EBASOA Shirt Raffle

Said Sadek

Ron Gescedi

Armand Doin – will be accepting old referee jerseys through the end of the following week

New Business

USSF Referee Class – Paul Bascomb mentioned anyone interested in becoming involved with USSF that the new member classes will be held in the December/January time frame – games are typically 3-man, run March thru July, 6:30PM start, some weekends

Aaron Corman – on behalf of the entire membership, extended sincere thanks to Preasident Trimbach for his years of service on the Board

Motion to Adjourn made by Tom Green at 11:10AM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gescedi.