

promoting the betterment of the game of softball, its players and umpires



Executive Board Meeting June 25, 2017 Concord New Hampshire NHTI at 5:00 pm

X	Tom	Ebol	No	Jim	CharlandX	John	Simon	
X	Bill	Makarawicz	X	Bob	Thomas	No	Teri	Warren
No	Adam	Reitsma No	Mark	Cherbo	nneau No	Lenny	Levin	
X	Peter	Perich	X	Norm	Lafranier X	Hank	Tenney	
X	Αl	Douglas	No	Terry	Galley-Quinn			

Tom Ebol opened meeting at 5:00 pm and turned the meeting over to Bill Makarawicz who was elected President at the 2017 Annual Meeting in March. The past president hold office until the EB Meeting in June.

Billy Makarawicz opened the meeting at 5:05

Minutes: The minutes were on the web site and approved by the EB.

Treasurer: Hank Reported that the account balance as of June 25 was \$7,031.00. This does not include salaries and Evaluation

fees.

Sec. Report: Hank Reported on the follow: Passed out the constitution and asked the committee, led by Terri, to review and report

back to the EB in October. Committee are: Terri, Al Douglas, Jim Charland, Bruce Taggat, Kris Taylor. Terri should

contact them for the meeting.

Asked that any awards that will be recommended by the EB be done only in October. This will give time to order any

awards prior to the Annual meeting in March.

Interpreter: No report

Assign. Chair: Billy reported that Region 3 seems to be the toughest region to cover games. We need more umpires. Region 4 and 5

covered all varsity games but trouble with JV and used one umpire at times. Region 1,2,6 filled their schedules with two umpires for both varsity and JV. Bill requested all issues go through him first when dealing with the arbiter.

App. Chair: Terry sent the following report. Seven umpires participated in the class. Six have passed or are in the process of

completing their field test. One was injured and may complete the class next year.

The process for receiving on line forms from the NHIAA has changed. Forms are completed and sent through Donna Plumb to me. Previously, they came directly to me. We get about 60% of our umpires this way. The remaining umpires

come to the class through word of mouth.

I have three interested people for the 2018 class and will be recruiting at tournaments through the summer for

additional people to join the class.

Supervisor: Peter Perich reported: Supervisor's Report for June Meeting 2017

- 1. 73 umpires were used for the playoffs this year which is a decrease over the past years.
 - a. There were seven less playoff games this year, because of the new playoff system
 - b. Which meant less B rated umpires received games
 - c. Only had one umpire have 4 assignments, because of an emergency rainout situation.
 - d. Umpires must check the arbiter daily in case a school changes the game time, because of graduations and senior things.
- 2. Playoffs complaints received
 - a. Not receiving three-umpire games, because the umpire did not go to a clinic.
 - b. B umpires not getting games this year compared to last year.
- 3. Problems during the season
 - a. Steve Rossetti being threatened during a JV game
 - b. Nashua North game and umpire's attitude over not coming out with a rulebook
 - c. Using 3 man system during the year both AD's must approve
 - d. Registration process cannot change to allow for earlier scheduling (NHIAA)
- 4. From NHIAA Softball committee meeting
 - a. There will be no Super Saturday next year—Finals will stay at two locations
 - b. At SNHU, the committee has asked that we do our pre-game/coaches-umpire conference while the SNHU crew touches up the field one last time.
 - c. Short field dimensions at some home sites.
- 5. Some of the rule changes that the National Federation will be voting on
 - a. Double base at first must be secure
 - b. Non-adult used to protect pitcher/catcher warming up must wear a legal helmet
 - c. The use of wrist play bands will be considered legal equipment
 - d. Intentional Walk
 - e. The head coach is responsible for equipment

(Again these are all proposed changes that need to be voted on. There are several others that I did not list.)

Eval. Chair:

Jim Charland sent the following report: I am glad to report that the evaluations went well on the 9th year.

Plate – 15 Base - 17 Evaluations fee's for 2017 were JV rate of \$66.00

Total Evaluations: 22 @ \$66 = \$2,112,00 Mileage over 40 \$132.00

Total cost for 2017 was \$ 2,244.00

3-Person Committee did a commendable job. We need to assure that gyms are available and should set aside funds to cover this cost in the future. The EB strongly recommends this and will see that it is done. Attendance for the {4} 3-man clinics was 88. Well done by Len Lavin and Al Douglas. A full report will be coming at the October meeting.

Web Site:

Praise for Adam for the work he has done to make our web site a great one.

Old Bus. Make sure Adam is listed as an Administrator to give him access to membership list.

New Bus:

Concerns: ... Umpires changing rules for going out on fly balls during tournament.

- ... Shirt colors for tournament.
- ... People listed on the arbiter that have not paid dues, are not members and do not pay a fee to the Association to be added to the arbiter. Bill will delete all for 2018

The was moved to go back to Divisions in awarding the Sportsmanship Awards to schools in 2018 and was approved by the EB. Also Hank will send out letter to winning schools to congratulate them starting in 2018.

Peter will order 200 rule books, umpire manuals, and case books for 2018.

EB Meetings:

The EB set the following dates for future Board meetings. All EB meeting will be held at NHTI at 10:00 am.

First Sunday in October
First Sunday in February
First Sunday in March prior to Annual Meeting. This will be at 9:00 am
Third Sunday in June after tournament play and change of officers.