



New Hampshire Softball Association

To: Executive Board Members Meeting March 6, 2022 {SAME REPORT OF ANNUAL MEETING}
9:00 AM Concord, NH {NHTI} Annual meeting 10:00 am

Executive Board ATTENDANCE

x Hank Tenney	no Jim Charland	x John Simon	no Terry Galley-Quinn
x Billy Makarawicz	x Bob Thomas	x Terri Warren	x Adam Reitsma
x Norm Lafrenier	x Len Lavin	x Peter Perich	
	x Rachel Mintz	x Al Douglas	

1. Approve minutes of Annual EB meeting of Jan. 16, 2022 (Zoom)
2. Secretary/Treasure's Report –Hank Tenney
 - a. Budget Report--\$7,145.02 as end of January 2022
 - b. Hank introduced Vt. Member Ray Bobar and he will become a dual member.
3. Apprentice Report
4. Election of Officers.
 - a. The membership were notified that Al Douglas was appointed as the new Interpreter and Beth Vacek for the three years at large member was voted on by the membership. Still an opening for Vice
 - b. President and that will be filled by the EB at the June meeting.
5. Evaluators Report- No Report
6. Supervisor Report
 1. Protests should be reported to both myself and Al Douglas. Al should be called for protests first, but you need to call both of us. If the winning team is protesting and does not want to file after the game, you must still contact me to make a report. Avoid problems by reading the rulebooks. Correct procedures—protest must be made before the next pitch. Sign off on both books at time of protest and note the time of the protest. If teams are protesting the field conditions, fix it if you can. Once the game is started it must be played if it can be. It is not protest able if you start the game.
 2. Ejections and physical contact should be reported to me the day of the ejection or physical contact, so I can report it the next day to NHIAA, and the schools know.

3. Fees—For the next two seasons

Varsity \$90

JV \$70

Over 40 miles \$14---80 miles \$24

Scrimmage rate is the JV rate--\$70

If you are doing a doubleheader, it is \$10 less.

Playoff fees

First 3 rounds \$100

Semi and Final Rounds \$112

The new structure which was just approved (starting 2023-2024) increase the fees to \$83 and \$63 with a new travel allowance based on one-way travel

0 – 20 add \$10

21 – 40 add \$10

41 – 60 add \$10

60 + add \$10

So, when you travel 43 miles one way and do a varsity game, fee paid is \$113 if also a Sub-V, then \$176

4. Go on the NHIAA website, read the Policy and Procedures manual for softball. Points of Special Emphasis.

a. Suspended games

b. Appropriate attire for coaches

c. Appropriate attire for players (Please read last points, section I. Helmets are back to the old rule)

d. Flex Rule also page 97 of the NFHS Rulebook

e. Guidelines for Management of Concussions also page 91 of the NFHS Rulebook

f. Equipment and Jewelry (Helmets are back to the old rule)

g. Ending Rule-12 run rule*****

h. Bench and Field Conduct also the Improper Conduct Chart on page 86 of the NFHS Rulebook

i. Blood Spillage and Body Fluids procedures also page 93 of the NFHS Rulebook

j. Lightning/Thunder also page 94 of the NFHS Rulebook

k. Improper Conduct Penalty Summary Chart found on page 88 of the NFHS Rulebook

5. The test should be up on Dragonfly tomorrow 3/1/22. If you have not done so, you need to go into Dragonfly.com and create an account first. Then you can take the test. Due date for completion of the test is 4/9. FYI, the order of the questions is the same for everyone. Nothing is scrambled! You need to get an 85% to pass and you have three tries. Your last try is the one that counts.

6. Do not forget to pay your NHIAA registration fee--\$65.
7. All NHIAA forms are on our website.
8. If there is a field or equipment problem, please call me so I can contact NHIAA.
9. **Playoffs—Some umpires did not get games last year because you opted out for COVID. The softball committee told me to only use AA and A umpires in the first 2 rounds unless I had to use B umpires and, in the semi, and final games only AA umpires unless A's are needed. I have petitioned the Sport Officiating Committee to allow us to use a three-person system during the first round of the playoffs also. It should start next season. Last season, I used 78 umpires in the playoffs.**
10. Please put your picture on the Arbiter. It would be good for your partners to know who they are umpiring with if they do not know you. Make sure all your phone numbers are correct on the Arbiter.
11. **Tournament requirements—attend an interpretation meeting, pay your dues, attend a 3-man clinic, do a minimum of 7 varsity games, and pass the test.**
12. **Last points**
 - a. **Disqualified players should be on the bench for supervision. NFHS Rule 3-6-20.**
 - b. **If bus is late or there is rain—given enough time to get the game in**
 - c. **Have good game control**
 - d. **Do not be afraid to communicate with your partner**
 - e. **Make yourself approachable-be flexible**
 - f. **Use good Judgement**
 - g. **Let me know if there are any problems—with the field, coaches, ADs, parents if you feel you need to.**
 - h. **Umpires who park in the special playoff spots at the playoff sites should still pay to get into the game unless they are working.**
 - i. **Read the Illegal Pitch rules and penalty. NFHS Rule #6**
 - j. **Read the Preseason Softball Guide closely from NFHS**
 - k. **Read the Point of Emphasis and Rule Changes on NFHS Rulebook pages 86 and 87. (NHIAA Softball committee wants consistency on the non-approved bats rules) Also, read the paragraph on huddles between innings.**
 - l. **Two points on uniforms**
 - i. **it is ok by rule to have uniform sleeves rolled up.**
 - ii. **Sanborn and other teams that use a headband with a knot in the back has been approved for use.**
13. **Have a great season. Good Luck!**

7. Awards: John Simon

- a. John let the EB and Membership that no awards this year except for the Glenn Colburn. For the year 2021 two members were selected. Mike Morgan and Keriann Ketcham.
- b. Awards will start again at annual meeting 2023.

8. Chairman of Assignors report

- a. Bill notified EB and Membership that all varsity games are assigned.
- b. Wants members to check the arbiter and check on profile to make sure all info is correct.
- c.

9. Interpreters Report

New interpreter Al Douglas conducted the rules interpretation for the 2022 season.

10. Web Master Report – Adam reported web site is ready for update of minutes

11. Presidents Report;

Test will be on line and will be open on March 1 and closed April 9. You can take the test three times.

12. 3-person Clinic—no report at this meeting.

13. Report from each (6) Regional Assignors

All reports were given by Regional Assignors. Varsity games covered and JV games will start to be assigned after the Annual Meeting.

14. Old Business – No Business

15. New Business- No Business

Adjourned: 9:30 am