

Collegiate Basketball Officials' Association

Minutes Annual Business Meeting

May 8, 2010

Tropicana Resort, Atlantic City, NJ

President Benji Bluman called the meeting to order at 10:44 a.m.

Benji then welcomed the members and thanked them for being present. He said he would save his remarks for the Banquet. He thanked the area directors for their cooperation during the past year.

Minutes - Motion by John Felker (BW) to dispense from reading the minutes of the May 9, 2009, Business Meeting; second by John Leighton (LS); motion carried.

Financial Report - Each member received a printed copy of the Financial Report, which was explained by Ben Vasconsells, Audit Chairman. Motion by Gary Pucino (RI) to accept; second by David Elliott (BW); motion carried.

ECAC/ CBOA Report

Steve Bamford and Keith Clark, ECAC, were thanked for being at the meeting and discussing various issues with the Executive Board at their meeting on May 6, 2010.

Technical foul reports have been submitted in a timely fashion and ECAC thanked CBOA for their cooperation.

This year more officials than ever before were observed throughout the season. ECAC spent \$14,400 in observer fees. Non-payment issues were discussed and would be addressed by the ECAC office.

ECAC/CBOA will be entering into negotiations for a new five (5) year contract. A committee will be formed by the New President with updates being provide on the website.

Area Directors – President Bluman gave a report on the election of the Area Directors:

All incumbents were re-elected as they ran unopposed.

Eastern New England – Rich Napolitano

Philadelphia – Barry Schultz

Met NJ - Jim Moran

Lehigh –Scranton – John Leighton

Committee Reports

Banquet – Tom Courtney reported that the banquet turnout was about 138 or more. He requested that all present members encourage other CBOA members from their local area to attend the banquet. He briefly discussed the golf outing and requested that Jimmie Quinn provide a report on the outing. There were 76 golfers who participated. A nice gift and plenty of door prizes were handed out to all attendees. The event provided a RECORD net earnings. CBOA will return to Atlantic City next year with the Tropicana most likely being the location. Motion by Jim Bruno (HAR); second by John Leighton (LS); motion carried.

Constitution – Jim Bruno reported that there were no changes. Motion by Rod Mrakovich (HA); second by Mike Hammond (ENE); motion carried.

Honorary Membership – Barry Schultz reported that the following CBOA members would be presented with the John P. Nucatola Honorary Membership Award at the banquet:

John Capone; Joseph Bruno, Jr. (deceased); Bob Donato; Ed Corbett; Dick Staver and Ron Martell

Barry requested that if the members had someone in mind for Honorary Membership for next year, there is a form to be completed and submitted to the Area Rep for consideration at the Fall Executive Committee meeting. Motion by Ben Vasconcells (BW); second by Jim Bruno (HAR); motion carried.

Advertisements - Jim Moran reported that the rates for CBOA advertisements in the upcoming Calendar and Directory were being adjusted: Full Page - \$300.00 / Half Page - \$200.00 / Quarter Page - \$100.00. Everyone was reminded that it would be helpful if each area could secure an advertisement. Motion by Brian Dumont (NH), second by Jim Slattery (ENE); motion carried.

Publicity and Public Relations – Rich Napolitano requested that more photos of local events be forwarded so they could be included on the CBOA website (www.cboaofficial.org). Motion by Jack Glazebrook (NH); second by Tom Courtney (Met NY); motion carried.

Training – Ron Tyburski stated that CBOA will continue the tryout program, as well as the mentoring program. In the Executive meeting each area responded to the successes achieved and that they would like to continue working on the program for the upcoming season. Motion by Jim Moran (NJ); second by Orin Barfield (NY); motion carried.

Beisswanger Award - David Elliott reported that our highest award will be presented to Frank Henry, CBOA Past President at this year's banquet. Motion by Guy Pagano (NJ); second by John Felker (BW); motion carried.

Hospitality – Kevin Ferguson reported on the hospitality room and thanked everyone who assisted and enable their area to provide a spectacular hospitality room. The room was a great success. Motion by Gary Pucino (RI); second by Barry Schultz (PH); motion carried.

Nomination & Election of President and Vice President – President Benji Bluman stated that the Executive Board recommended that Barry Schultz be nominated for President.

There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations by Ron Martel (ENE); second by Ben Vasconcells (BW); ballot was cast by the Executive Secretary

President Bluman stated that the Executive Board recommended that Guy Pagano be nominated for the office of Vice-President. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to close nominations by Matt Smith (NH); second by Jim Moran (NJ); ballot was cast by the Executive Secretary.

Old Business - None

New Business -.

CBOA is seeking advertisements for the yearbook. If anyone would like to take an advertisement, please contact Jim Moran for details. It is recommended that each CBOA area try and secure at least one advertisement.

Tom O'Connor thanked Donnie Eppley for his assistance in preparing the video program, which will be presented at the banquet. He mentioned that everyone will enjoy the program.

Motion to adjourn at 11:08 a.m. by Jack Glazebrook (ENE); second by Tom Courtney (NY); motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom OConnor, Executive Director

TO ALL HONORARY AND NON-OFFICIATING MEMBERS - PLEASE EMAIL ME (Tom@readingtrophy.com) YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS, SO THAT MY FILES ARE UP TO DATE, ESPECIALLY IF YOUR ADDRESS HAS CHANGED OR YOU HAVE ONE FOR THE FIRST TIME.

Another great weekend; the weather cooperated, which enabled golf, chaired by Jim Quinn, Met NY, to be a success. Many great prizes were supplied by Terry Murphy, Met NY. The Slots and Tables were very busy --- I understand we had a few winners.

The Hospitality room hosted by Western NY was a tremendous success. Thanks to Benji Bluman, Kevin Ferguson and their crew. They did an outstanding job. Next year, Barry Schultz and Mike Chesney have promised to live up to past expectations.

The Banquet was a success. We missed some of the guys from Boston. The awards program was very professionally handled by both by the recipients as well as the audience. We are all proud of the new Honorary Members. As announced at the Banquet, we had a great number of officials work in the Division II and III NCAA tournament. Congratulations to all our guys.

SPECIAL Thank You to Donnie Eppley, for all his VOLUNTEER time to put together the picture presentation of all our award recipients.

History was made as the four living CBOA Executive Directors, Fred Hess, Jerry Salvato , Tom Lopes, Tom O'Connor, were in attendance at the banquet.

Frank Henry was presented the Beisswanger Award.

I want to THANK all of the CBOA members for their cooperation, support and their friendship over the past year. It has been a great experience and I look forward too another successful year for CBOA.

We look forward to seeing you next year at the CBOA weekend, which will be at the Tropicana in Atlantic City, date to be determined.

KEEP CHECKING THE WEBSITE Have a good summer