

## ***East Coast Basketball Officials Association (ECBOA) Board of Directors Meeting Minutes***

**6/27/2024**

I) Call to Order at 6:47 PM. Meeting was held at Joe's office in Delray Beach.

Dorian Hawkins, Joe Erwin, Mike Francois, Al Alfieri, Jerelle Bailey, Jaylen Thompson and Mark DeAtley were present in person. Leon Lipsick, Mike Lewis, and Steve Gonedes were on the phone. Jaylen and Jerelle left the meeting together at approx. 9:05 and called in.

II) Treasurer's Report: Dorian reported a balance of \$13,106.56, which is where we will end our FY at June 30<sup>th</sup>. All bills have been paid and there are no outstanding invoices.

III) Secretary Report: Lee was driving but said he will attempt to take notes. Joe indicated he would take notes as well. Lee had previously sent around the Minutes from the first two Board meetings held on March 27<sup>th</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup>. They were approved unanimously by the Board.

IV) Training Director Update: Mike Lewis gave a brief update on his conversations with Alvin and the types and frequency of training he wants to do, including weekly training for the 0-3 yr. officials. Alvin is also working on a Training manual. Mark indicated that he provided the training curriculum he had worked on to Alvin as well. We also discussed the need for classroom space during our General meetings to accommodate training.

V) Committee Elections:

Grievance: Dorian nominated Jon Alin (chair), Ashanti Burnette, and Jason Guisinger. They were each elected to this committee.

Assignment Committee: Alfieri nominated Jim Marzullo (chair), Jose Feliberty, and Travelle Northern. Jim and Travelle were elected; but Jose was not. Alfieri is to bring another candidate to the Board at the next meeting.

Recommendation Committee: Jaylen nominated Brian Jones who was elected and will be the chair.

Evaluations: Francois nominated John Fouchet (chair), Jarvis Gulley, and Cedric Bennett. They were each elected to this committee. It is noted that Francois initially nominated Arnaldo Rivera; however, it was discussed that Mike Lewis wanted Arnaldo on the Training committee at the request of Alvin McClinton. Francois called Arnaldo and then withdrew his name.

Training: Joe nominated Aaron Chambliss and Arnaldo Rivera on behalf of Mike Lewis; however, it was tabled until the next meeting since Mike Lewis was not on the call and Arnaldo was also brought up for the Evaluation committee.

VI) State Series Selection Process.

- Mark gave an updated and noted that the FHSAA is happy with the current selection process.
- Mark noted that our Recommendation Committee is only putting together the crews for the first two rounds of the Regional games. The Regional Finals are selected by the Assignor.

- Mark noted the need for a strong R on each crew.
- Mark indicated that Ed Thompson from the FHSAA would be happy to attend one of our meetings to discuss the selection process.
- Mark noted that the shot clock was approved by the FHSAA at the discretion of the home team, but it is not mandated. Palm Beach County School District had previously stated that they will not implement it unless it become mandated. No local teams are expected to implement the shot-clock.

VII) By-Law Update: Joe prepared a summary of the various discussion items held at the four working sessions that he conducted on this topic. Joe summarized the comments by various categories. It was agreed that the Board needs every Board member to actively participate in this, and it may take several meetings, including in-person meetings, to work through the proposed amendments and changes. Everyone agreed to hold a Zoom call on Saturday July 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in order to attempt to knock out the “easy items”. For the more difficult items, they will be set aside and discussed in more depth at subsequent in-person meetings.

VIII) New Business: Jaylen inquired about the website discussions with Mike Smith and Steve Gonedes. After lengthy and at times heated discussion, a motion was made to remove Mike as the webmaster. After more discussion it was brought to a vote and passed 5 (Jaylen, Jerelle, Francois, Steve, and Alfieri) to 2 (Dorian and Joe) with two abstaining (Lewis and Leon who both indicated they could not hear the discussion on their phones). There was no other new business

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:35 pm.