

AGM Sep 23, 2018 Hartland, NB

Adam Humphrey - Meeting Called to order at 10:05 PM

17 Voters registered – List attached

Adam presented the agenda. Add Game Fees New Business

# M Brent Smith/ Frazier Bykowski we accepted the amended Agenda. Carried

2017 Minutes presented

#### M Peter DeMerchant/Jared Joudry the minutes be accepted as presented. Carried

# **Reports**

President - Written & Oral Vice President - Written & Oral Interpreter/Evaluator - Written & Oral

Secretary/Treasurer - Written and Oral Showing a surplus of 2017-18 of \$ 3,091.74

#### M Bruce Hendry/Todd Messer we accept the Financial Report. Carried.

# **Zone Reports**

Zone 1 - Written & Oral

Zone 2 - Written & Oral

Zone 3 – Written – Adam offered a rebuttal to a couple of items raised by Zone # 3, specifically that BNB DID have in place stringent certification requirements for coaches; BNB do have in place protocols for further suspensions following disqualification of players or coaches and the Executive has never been made aware of an NBIAA suspension be ignored in BNB play.

Zone 4 - Written & Oral

Zone 5 - Written & Oral

Zone 6 - Written

#### M Jared Joudry/Dirk Bishop we accept the reports as presented. Carried.

Correspondence - None

# Old Business

Fitness requirements - Danny reported the Board had met and accepted that we move forward with fitness testing for AUS/ACAA officials. Following is the testing procedure to be followed, starting with the 2019-2020 season:



- 1. Run the FIBA beep test either at Summerfest or the AGM
  - a. <a href="https://youtu.be/aqgRbxTfKTY">https://youtu.be/aqgRbxTfKTY</a> copy of the beep test
- 2. Year 1 (2019) all AUS/ACAA officials to take the running test to allow for bench marks to be set.
- 3. Year 2 (2020) all AUS/ACAA officials to take the running test. Officials with fewer than 5 years of ACAA/AUS officiating must pass the test to be eligible to officiate at the ACAA/AUS levels.
- 4. Year 3 (2021) all AUS/ACAA officials must take and pass the running test. Those with 5+ years of ACAA/AUS officiating expected to pass; if unable to pass, permitted to officiate in a "probationary" manner. Those with fewer than 5 years of ACAA/AUS officiating must pass the test to be eligible to officiate these levels.
- 5. Year 4 (2022) all AUS/ACAA officials must take and pass the running test to be eligible to officiate at the ACAA/AUS levels.

Adam reported on the request at the 2017 AGM to have the Board of Directors meet and consider whether to ignore the work 2 sit 1 rule for 2018. Adam reported the board met in November and voted to not ignore the rule for the 2018 NBIAA Final 12 games.

# **New Business**

Adam reported on Jeff Smith's attendance at the Learning Facilitators Clinic in St. Catherines in June. Jeff's full report is attached.

John Hickey spoke to his participation with CBOC Referee Materials as a resource from NB.

M John Hickey/Todd Messer Item 3.B of Section 9 of the NBAABO Operating Procedures be removed. This section reads as follows: An official must sit out one year after working in a Final 12 game for two consecutive years. Carried

Game Fees - Affiliation agreements with NBIAA and BNB run out this year. These will auto-renew unless one party wishes different. It was agreed to proceed with the existing agreements as written, allowing for a \$2 increase per category with the renewal.

Nominating Committee Report - Scott indicated he had requested nominations for Interpreter/Evaluator and Secretary/Treasurer. Both incumbents, Seward Neilsen and Peter DeMerchant agreed to let their names stand and there were no further nominations so Seward and Peter were declared re-elected for the next two years.

John reported on the BNB's approach to Summerfest and growing it as an event going forward.

Motion John Hickey to adjourn and the meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM



Member	Zone
Dirk Bishop	1
Jared Joudry	1
Jim Bushby	1
Bruce Hendry	1
Peter DeMerchant	1
Vernon Thomas	1
Kyle Woodworth	2
John Hickey	2
Todd Messer	2
Adam Humphrey	2
Danny Patterson	4
Dave McGrattan	4
Seward Neilsen	4
JP Richard	5
Brent Smith	5
Frazer Bykowski	5
Scott Wood	5
Total In Attendance	17



#### **CBOC/CABO Learning Facilitators Clinic- Summary**

Submitted by Jeff Smith

In early June 2018, I had the opportunity to attend the inaugural CBOC/CABO Learning Facilitators Clinic at Brock University in St. Catherines, ON.

Globally, FIBA is formalizing referee education and training with its FIBA Referee Instructors Program (FRIP). The purpose of this CBOC/CABO clinic was to bring together officials from across the country with a passion and commitment to officiating and referee education and begin to align our Canadian education and training with FIBA's FRIP approach. Each province was represented.

Specifically, our primary objective was to build training modules for what FIBA refers to as Individual Officiating Techniques (IOT). As per FIBA, IOT's are the fundamental skills and most important foundation to process and facilitate correct decisions. IOT's are applicable to both 2PO & 3PO.

We successfully built training modules for the following 9 FIBA Individual Officiating Techniques:

- Distance & Stationary
- Refereeing the Defense
- Stay With the Play
- Positioning, Open Angle (45) and Adjustments
- Making a Call, Decision Making, and Communication
- Signals and Reporting
- Jump Ball
- Throw-in Administration
- Control of the Game & Shot Clocks

Each training module is designed to be delivered in 20 minutes via a learning facilitator. Modules include a facilitator's guide to assist with delivery and presentation.

It is expected each official in every province will have the opportunity to learn these IOT's. A decision on how and when this training material will be delivered in NB is forthcoming.

It was a fantastic experience and a great initial start to aligning with FIBA's Referee Instructor Programme (FRIP). Stay tuned for more information on the roll-out of these modules as well as more information about FRIP.

Cheers...sorry I missed everyone today. - Jeff



Report to the 2018 CABO AGM

2018 Executive
President Adam Humphrey
Vice President Dan Patterson
Secretary/Treasurer Peter DeMerchant
Interpreter/Evaluator Seward Neilsen
Past President Scott Wood

# ACAA

- Our Past President, Scott Wood, continues to Chair the Collegiate Committee, and the panel of officials once again elected Adam Humphrey to serve as their Assignor.
- There were 32 officials on the panel this past year. Names were submitted to a selection committee comprised of our University Board Committee Chair, Collegiate Board Assignor, Collegiate Committee Chair, and 2 Zone Reps.
   Size and membership of the Panel was then finalized.
- The 2017/18 season saw us introduce game evaluations for all our collegiate officials, using Regional evaluators in the areas of each of the 4 ACAA schools. While nearly every AUS game at UNB is evaluated, ACAA evaluations did not occur in previous years. We plan to expand the collegiate evaluations in the upcoming season.
- NBAABO was proud to have Spencer Jeffrey represent us at the CCAA Women's tournament at Mount Allison
  University in Sackville, NB, and David McGrattan represent us at the CCAA Men's tournament at Montmorency
  College in Laval, QC.

# AUS

- After many years serving as the Committee Chair/Assignor-Evaluator for NBAABO's University Board, Guy McIsaac has stepped down
- Former University Board official Todd Messer has agreed to Chair the Committee and be the A/E for the upcoming season
- Selection for this season's Board will be finalized in the upcoming weeks, following UNB's annual pre-season Garland/Campbell tournament
- Our Board continues to offer high quality officiating to UNB and the visiting AUS teams, with all officials striving for a post-season CIS assignment as the ultimate goal.
- We have been disappointed with the lack of CIS assignments NB has received the last 3 years. Hopefully, the CBOC will recognize the quality of NB officiating when this year's assignments are determined.

#### Basketball New Brunswick

- We have a very strong relationship with our PSO.
- Our current affiliation agreement was signed in 2013, and has served us well over the years. We are planning to meet this fall to explore additional opportunities that can be included in the agreement.
- it was agreed by both BNB and NBAABO that the shirt/accessories colour rule would not be enforced for provincial age class competition, as we are trying to get 10/12/14-year old players on the court, and not create barriers for them.
- NB had a good High School season culminating with the Final 12 Championship Tournament hosted once again at Harbour Station in Saint John. This tournament is the end-of-season officiating goal for all Level 2+ officials in NB, and we continue to provide high quality crews for these games.
- Seward Neilsen handled all evaluations at the Final 12.



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 Following a phase-in period, high school teams adopted the "similar colour undershirt" portion of the accessories rule on Jan 1. Additional accessories (colour of arm/leg sleeves) were not enforced at the high school level.
 Discussions with NBIAA will soon take place to determine if any changes to the level of enforcement will be occurring for the upcoming season.

#### Summerfest Tournament

- Held in Saint John in mid-July, this tournament continues to grow in size. NBAABO, with Dan Patterson's leadership, has placed an emphasis on this tournament, as it is an excellent opportunity for officials to see high caliber ball, and to work at/grow their game.
- We are using this tournament as an opportunity to work with officials to learn the 3-person system, and to also provide feedback/evaluations to those working in the 2-person system.
- It is highly recommended that all NB officials attending Summer National tournaments attend Summerfest

#### General

- Our AGM is scheduled for Sept 23rd in Hartland.
- NB was proud to host the U15/U17 Girls Nationals in Fredericton this past summer. Spencer Jeffrey, Dan Wilton, Jenn Keilty, Ryan Murphy, and Jeff McGinley represented us on the U17 side, and Frazer Bykowski, Dan Smith, and Connor Estabrooks were our U15 representatives.
- We look forward to welcoming everybody back to NB again in 2019 when the U15/U17 Boys Nationals take place in Fredericton.
- As with every jurisdiction across Canada, officiating numbers are dwindling while the game continues to grow. Every year we have more games to cover, putting more of a strain on our officiating pool. We put an emphasis on recruiting last year, and had some very favorable returns especially in the Northeast of the province where we have struggled for many years. The goal now, while continuing our recruiting efforts, is to try and retain a number of the new officials we introduced last season.

#### NBAABO 2018/19 Game Fee Structure:

AUS	\$115
ACAA	\$90
Adult	\$47
High School	\$42
U18/U17/U16/U15	\$42
Middle School	\$32

U14 \$32 (8 minute quarters)

U12/U10 \$27 (10 3 minute shifts per game)

Respectfully Submitted, Adam Humphrey NBAABO President

# **Vice President's Report**

It has been a fairly quiet year with some things on my to-do list and some on my to-done list. I would like to thank Adam, Peter, Seward and Scott for their hard work and dedication to this association. Their tireless hours and communications back and forth go above and beyond to help officials in our province. Mike, John, Jared, Dave M and I have completed the



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recommendation to the Board for a fitness test in the ACAA and AUS levels. This was an interesting process but I feel that we are heading in the right directions. The two big items I will report on will be Summerfest and the CABO AGM.

Summerfest – Once again with the help from all of NBAABO and BNB, we were able to offer a premier event. Without the hard work and dedication from our officials, there is no possible way this could happen. With the help of Todd Messer and Jeff Smith we were able to give each and every officials going to Summer Nationals two evaluations. This process is very time consuming but the feedback and preparation for those attending a National tournament is invaluable. I am hoping that as the tournament continues to grow, we can continue to offer and support our officials in the same manner. It would be my goal that every official be evaluated at this tournament but that may be a few years in the distance. Many hands make light work and outside a few omissions on my part, the weekend was full of games and those experiencing it for the first time seemed to get a lot out of it.

CABO AGM – This was my first CABO AGM and it was held in Moncton. Shout out to Scott Wood, Charlie Taylor, Guy McIsaac, Jeff Smith and anyone else that had a hand in hosting our Canadian Officiating family. This was a very eye opening experience and one that I am grateful to have had the opportunity to attend. Here are the updates:

There was to be a creation of a fact book which will house all of the events and changes that have taken place in our organization since inception. The CBOC website continues to grow and the use of DropBox to transfer and house documents is getting used quite effectively.

In June, Jeff Smith was our representative in the IOT Project in St. Catherine's. Officials from all over the country are putting together this techniques document that, once completed, will definitely make a positive impact in developing officials. This plan focuses on officials becoming students of the game. These will eventually be held on the GamePlan website and will provide all officials the ability to learn about best practice. It is not about the rules but follows a Professional Development model and is a partner document to the NOCP which covers our rules, mechanics and pregame. The IOT's will be 9 sessions and each session should be approximately 20 minutes.

3X3 and FIBA licensing was another topic of discussion. In 2019 FIBA licences expire for the 14 Canadians and we need to have a plan in place for the identification and recruitment of our next level of International Officials. CCAA and USPORT officials that are identified in this process will run a fitness test at the event in preparation for selection. It is getting very competitive in this field and we do not wish to fall behind.

Provincial Officiating organizations are encouraged to create an Officials Commission within their area. This needs to include stakeholders (coaches, BNB, Officials, former players, AD's etc.). We are encouraged to create a formal relationship with BNB – things like Summerfest agreements. I told the National body about the great working relationship that we have with BNB and that it is a direct result of the work that Adam does. We need to investigate our insurance as there is a greater possibility of legal issues coming into our world with respect to accidents and liabilities. Who is first payer and who is the carrier. Other provinces moving towards PTSO being the carrier. Special thanks to Peter for providing me on the spot information during the meeting about this as it is far from my area of expertise. Looking at a provincial online refereeing software – SportSavvy is one that is being looked at to create assigning software specifically for those in Canada. This is important as it provides stored documentation of who worked games at a particular time and date.

Canada Basketball Update was given with respect to the site GamePlan (gameplanbasketball.ca). Officials are encouraged to sign up and register as this is more than likely going to be the host site for the exam this year. There will eventually be a fee for rated officials. This will be a way to track and deliver everything surrounding officials.



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Post play express while enjoyable to read, has lived its' life cycle and will be discontinued. This was a unanimous vote at the table.

Summer Nationals preparation for 2019 in NB needs to start now! We had many officials request their level 4 at this tournament and in BC but none were successful. I brought up the point that officials were unclear as to the process and will be shuffled around as we transition fully into CBOC.

Rule Changes will be covered by Seward:). The points of emphasis this year are Illegal Contact, Screening, Game Control and the other information in the IOT.

The following were elected to the National Body:

Cam Moskul – National Interpreter, John McFarlane – National education Officer, Martha Bradbury - National Secretary/Treasurer

Work towards excellence ... not perfection! This was a great message that I took away from the long days of meetings.

Finally it was my honor and privilege to be in attendance at the awards dinner to see Scott Wood receive the Wink Willox award and for Seward Neilsen to receive an honorary lifetime membership to CABO. Both were very surprised, humbled and gracious in their acceptance of these awards. They are a tribute to the fine officials we have in this province and continue to be strong mentors to those that are still learning.

This concludes my lengthy but enjoyable report. If there are any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Patterson - 2018

# 2017 - 2018 INTERPRETER / EVALUATOR - REPORT TO AABO INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Location Hartland Golf Club Date 23 September 2018

1.	Saint John	- NBAABO Executive Meeting Conference Call – 28 September 2017
2.	Fredericton	- NBAABO AGM – 30 September 2017
		- AUS Evaluations (1 October @ UNB)
3.	Saint John	- (Sixth year) I emailed 3 or 4 cases with references per week (September to December) to
		Executive and Zone Reps, AUS and ACAA Assignor/Evaluators
4.	Saint John	- (Fifth year) Prepared Junior Officials Exam: 25 questions with references. for Executive and Zone
		Reps.
5.	Provincial	- FIBA Exam "on line" – 7 to 17 December 2017
6.	Woodstock	- L2 Evaluations (9) and 1 mentored with Guy McIsaac, Peter DeMerchant and Jared Joudry – 28 &
		29 December 2017

Saint John - Sectional applications received beginning 2January, 2018 and closing 5 February, 2018 with assignments given out on 11 February 2018



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- Conference call re Sectional appointments 11 February 2018 with Danny Patterson, Adam Humphrey and Peter DeMerchant
- 8. Saint John Final 12: Committee solicited input from Zone Reps and Sectional Crew Chiefs 17 &18 February 2018
- 9. Saint John Conference call 19 February re Final 12 appointments with Danny Patterson, Adam Humphrey and Peter DeMerchant
  - Officials and stand-by contacted 19 February 2018
- 10. Saint John Final 12 Evaluations 23 & 24 February 2018
- 11. Moncton CABO AGM 14 to 16 September 2018

# J.A. WINK WILLOX NATIONAL AWARD WINNERS

1983	-	Art Pottle	
1990	-	Don Grant	
1993	-	Herb Little	
1995	-	Ian Stothart	
1996	-	Ernie Holton	
1997	-	Duncan McGeachy	
1998	-	Pat Murphy	
1999	-	James Graham	
2000	<ul> <li>Ed Skiffington</li> </ul>		
2001	-	Fran McHugh	
2002	-	Jim Purcell	
2003	-	Frank Cluff	
2004	-	Bill Agnew	
2005	-	John Curtis	
2006	-	Seward Neilsen	
2007	-	Bob Marshall	
2008	-	Fred Horgan	
2009	-	Bill Gallant	
2010	-	Bruce Hendry	
2011	-	Adam Humphrey	
2012	-	Tom Bridgeo	
2013	-	Todd Messer	
2014	-	David Fleiger	
2015	-	David McManus	
2016	-	Colin Craig	
2017	-	Mike Murray	

# **Criteria for Reference**

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- 2) Significant length of service to the basketball community
- 3) Various forms of service to basketball organizations
- 4) Administrative Role

# **Procedure**

- 1) One/two typed pages of information related to each candidate's contributions relative to the "criteria".
- 2) Zone Reps submit this documentation to the Interpreter.

**Zone Reps**: I have made a submission for the 2018 award. I have one application on file.

Please forward submissions to me on/before 28 February, 2019.

#### **FIBA EXAMS**

• Seventh year for an on line exam.

Zone	# Written	Average
1 - Northwest	23	81.48
2 - Central	42	82.24
3 - Southwest	15	89.60
4 - South	40	85.00
5 - Southeast	39	87.64
6 - Northeast	18	86.89
Total	177	85.05

# 2018 - 2019 FIBA Exam Time Frames

Last year's exam was done on line between 7 to 17 December, 2017. The 2018 exam will be written on line between the following dates Nov  $30 - \text{Dec } 9^{\text{th}}$ . Additionally there will be a practice exam on line for Nov  $15^{\text{th}} - 29^{\text{th}}$ .

- Zone Reps to contact Peter DeMerchant re names of L2 candidates who will be attending L2 rating clinic; this is to be done on/before 14 December, 2018.
- Contact information for Peter DeMerchant is:

Telephone (home): 328-8759 Telephone (work): 392-3456

Telephone (cell) 391-6631

Email: PADEMERC@mccain.ca

L2 Rating Clinic at Woodstock 28 & 29 December, 2018

# **SECTIONALS**



- All 6 zones had candidates apply
- 52 applications were received and 48 candidates received appointments
- 12 single Sectional sites
- 0 double tournament sites
- A good number of applicants had limitations on their availability (personal; ACAA, AUS and/or BNB assignments etc.)
- Peter DeMerchant, Adam Humphrey and I began Plan A of the assignments on 5 February, 2018.
- Peter and Adam deserve full marks for their efforts in this process, let alone their focus and patience.

# HARBOUR STATION FINAL 12

- In early January we asked each Zone Rep to provide us with a prioritized listing of their officials based upon their effort and skill during the season. All Zone Reps responded.
- Of the officials who applied, four were not eligible to work this year because of having worked the past two successive years. Next year five officials cannot work the Final 12.
- NBL, ACAA and AUS officials had conflicts in scheduling with the Final 12.
- The 12 assigned officials represented NBAABO very well. No issues of concern were raised by either NBIAA or the Tournament Committee.
- For the second time, each session had a "stand-by" official.

# WOODSTOCK Level 2 Rating Sessions 28 December 2017

- All 9 candidates were successful: 2 from Moncton, 2 from Fredericton, 1 from Saint John, and 4 from Woodstock.
- I wish to thank Peter, Guy and Jared for work as evaluators.
- Guy and I also mentored 1 other local L1 official who was not a candidate for L2.

Respectfully Submitted, M. Seward Neilsen

# Zone # 1 Report

Following is the report on the activities within Zone # 1 for the 2017-2018 season.



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- We started our rules clinic schedule in October and a total of six clinics were held over the ensuing three weeks. The clinics were held in Centreville
- On the weekend of Nov 17-18 we were able to bring Guy McIsaac, the AUS Assignor/Evaluator to town for the Carleton County Tip-Off tournament. At this tournament we used a couple of our local officials (Dirk, Jared, myself) to evaluate officials during the tournament and Guy served as a mentor to the evaluators to further enhance their evaluation skills. It was the "Train the Trainer" event we have previously agreed to run. It was a great success and beneficial to the officials being evaluated as well as the evaluators who got the advantage of Guy's tutelage over the two days. Very successful venture!
- During the year, a total of 1,623 assignments were made, a 3.96 % decrease over the prior season.
- During the season we had 144 games that were scheduled and then subsequently cancelled. This is up three from 141 in 2016-2017
- We had four candidates, Jamie Gray, Jeff Gray, Joel Everett and Grant Robinson, try and receive their Level 2 certifications this year, congratulations gentlemen!
- We had 8 officials assigned to the NBIAA Sectionals.
- Congratulations to Dave Gallagher and Dirk Bishop our representatives at the Final 12 this year. Both worked AAA games!
- As for disciplinary issues, we did receive three separate complaints about Zone # 1 officials. Ironically, all three complaints were
  made as a result of their actions in capacities other than officiating (coaching/parenting). As a result we would like to stress the
  following two points from the Code of Conduct from the NBAABO Operating Procedures; the entire code is important and must
  be adhered to but we would like to specifically highlight the following two items
  - treat other officials with professional dignity and courtesy and refrain from criticizing other officials
  - be in facilities only for purposes of officiating a game or other legitimate activity;
- BNB are hosting the U15 and U17 Nationals this summer and NB will be getting 10 assignments. The Executive is working on a
  list of names to be submitted for these spots and we have a couple of Zone 1 officials on that list. More to come!

Respectfully submitted

Respectfully submitted
Dirk Bishop- Zone # 1 Rep

# Zone # 2 Report

Number of officials last year/Outlook for this year:

- 21 Level 2+ officials, 18 Level 1 officials, and 12 provisional officials (for 51 total) during the 17/18 season
- 6 new candidates wrote (and passed) the Junior Officials test in early November and immediately started working games.
- Have 7 inquiries for upcoming season as of right now, and 1 certified official who is returning after a year away at school.



# Games assigned last year:

- 2100 games assigned (a drop of 25 from the previous year), including
  - 510 high school level
  - 690 middle school/bantam
  - 275 mini
  - 185 masters/intermediate
  - a record 370 cancelled games throughout the season

Thanks to all officials province-wide who helped us cover games during the Holiday Hoops and Rick Cotter Classic tournaments the weekend before Christmas. 160 games in 2 days!

# Pregame assist:

- All officials in the zone were provided with a laminated "pre-game discussion topics" sheet.
- In the same vein, we will be providing our officials with a laminated half-sheet detailing the new rules for this season.

# Accomplishments:

- Marc Dugas and Steve DeWolfe attained their Level 2 rating.
- 14 officials for NBIAA Sectional tournaments
- Matt Tweedie (AAA Girls), Donnie Forsythe (AAA Boys), Matt Whipple (A boys) worked Final 12, with Dan Wilton as the AAA Stand-by. Kyle Woodworth worked the AUS Women's tournament, while John Hickey worked the ACAA Championships. Wilton also received a posting to the U17 Women's Nationals here in Fredericton.

# YMCA:

Pleased that Paul Hornibrook was the rules facilitator for youths officiating through the YMCA. We see this as an opportunity as a feeder system in the future.

# Fall Clinics:

- Zone AGM meeting will be Oct 2, with clinics starting the following week.

# Todd Messer Fredericton Zone Rep.

# **Zone #3**

Not much to report really, pretty quiet year, only one situation with regards to discipline and no serious altercations of any kind.



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As far as membership, as in years past, our numbers are low with no new recruits on the horizon. We are going to be starting our weekly meetings September 30 and will be putting some information out via Newspaper, radio and social media, with hopes to spark some interest.

We had 321 games in our Zone last year, and would like to thank Adam & Fran who helped us out on a couple occasions when we were short, your help is greatly appreciated.

This following item was a discussion last year, we realize we have to referee these games, and not looking for an answer/solution per say, just wanted to put it out there:

We do have a concern with regards to BNB games. Every year we seem to have issues with coaches about the Mini (U12) and Bantam (U14) rules, and the way they are meant to be implemented, and the coach/coaches interpretation of how the rules are to be implemented. This leads to frustration, complaints, arguments and sometimes altercations between coaches, fans and officials. I know in the last few years there have been issues (not just in our Zone) with coaches, players and fans being disrespectful, verbally abusive and sometime confrontational. I received a call from a 'new' official this past Spring who was seriously contemplating walking away from Refereeing because of the actions of a coach, our Association cannot afford to lose Officials, especially young Officials.

Not sure if this happens because anybody can coach a BNB team, the qualifications are a joke really. And anybody can play, even if suspended from an NBIAA team, you can still play on a BNB team, there doesn't seem to be any restrictions or guidelines that the NBIAA has, nor does there seem to be any penalty or disciplinary action for infractions by coaches or players. I know I have been to BNB tournaments as a player, a coach and as an official, and a lot of the time (not all) they are disorganized with no clear indication of who is running the tournament or anybody who is supposed to be there as an organizer or commissioner to handle any issues that may arise. I can't remember the last time we had an issue with an NBIAA game, but we have had issues the last 4 or 5 years with BNB teams/tournaments. Anyway, as I said, just putting it out there, not sure there is a solution or answer.

One last thing, Don Walker has retired from AUS Panel. I had the chance to talk to a couple AUS Coaches this Summer who said they will miss Walker on the floor, he brought a level of respectability, fairness and professionalism to the game they appreciate as a Coach, a loss for the AUS, but a gain for our Zone.

Jeff McGinley Zone 3 Rep.

#### Zone #4

Zone 4 Report NBAABO Annual General Meeting, 2018

Fairly quiet year as far as issues went. We did have a few coaches and players involved with discipline due to Technical Fouls but this was handled well according to NBIAA guidelines.

Spencer Jeffrey, Jennifer Keilty, Ryan Murphy, Dan Smith, and Connor Estabrooks represented zone 4 and New Brunswick at the Nationals extremely well and it was a fantastic learning adventure for sure. Jennifer was rewarded with the Bronze medal game

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The Final 12 will continue to be hosted in our zone, and we will be bidding on the next 3 years with regards to hosting a professional, high level event. Officials that aren't working are encouraged to attend. Still trying to use it as a little bit of a celebration weekend for our hard working groups:)

We hosted another successful Summerfest and would like to send out a sincere thank you to all those officials that made the trip to the Port City to assist in the over 117 games and 7 courts for the weekend. For the most part, the reports on the quality of officiating are positive. We also were the host to the East Coast Games in June. This was another premier event and offered a very high level of basketball. I would like to see this event grow into a training seminar for all officials who are at the ACAA level and above or strive to be there.

I was very pleased that assignments were made public for ACAA, CCAA, AUS playoffs, and summer national tournaments. It is important to celebrate and encourage their success.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Patterson – on behalf of Dave McGrattan Zone 4 Referees Association

#### Zone # 5 Report

This marks the second year I've been filling in for Darren Rose who has been battling health issues.

Basketball doesn't have an off season anymore and as a result it was a very busy year. Our assigner Bill Agnew reports that we covered more games this year than ever before. Bill assigned 1774 games that included 126 teams. He also sent Zone 5 officials to cover some games in Sussex and the Kennebecasis Valley. Bill's major issue in assigning is that many of our officials also coach or play, which limits their availability. It's also a challenge to cover all of the high school games when they coincide with ACAA games. Two years ago, all the minor associations were using Zone 5 officials. This past year, Port Elgin went back to using non-NBAABO officials.

We have 56 officials in our zone. We added nine new officials this year which is good but retention continues to be an issue. Over the last five years, we have had a number of new officials join our ranks yet our overall numbers have not increased that much since many new officials do not stay. Retention of officials is a universal problem yet we will have to continue looking at ways to help our recruits. The "new officials" exam has been helpful since it isn't as overwhelming as the CABO Exam. We continued with our traditional Sunday night clinics in October and November. A big thank you to the officials who helped out with these clinics.

And finally congratulations to the following officials for representing our zone: Frazer Bykowski was assigned to the U15 Women's Nationals this summer in Fredericton. Mike Redpath and Frazer Bykowski were assigned the NBIAA Final 12 at Harbour Station. And also to Nancy Currie and Ron Penston who obtained their Level 2 certification at the Thunder Valley Tournament in Woodstock.

Respectfully submitted,
JP Richard

Zone # 6 Report



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Report of Activities within Zone # 6 for the past 2017 - 2018 Basketball Season

- Numbers of Officials working last year (8) Level 2's, (17) Level 1's and over (30) New Recruits, mostly from the Miramichi Area. Dan Richard (Miramichi Assignor) was the driving force in Recruiting Young Girls & Boys from the Middle School and High School Levels to start Officiating. Kudos to Dan Richard.
- Over 1000 assignments from Dan Richard (Miramichi Area) and Guilman Roy (Bathurst to Campbellton Area)
- No Officials from Zone #6 attended the Woodstock Tournament for their Level 2
- > Had (0) Officials assigned to NBIAA Sectionals
- Expect to start clinics in October. 2018 and will be requesting assistance for from other Zone's with Training Material, Videos and Documents utilized in their Zone Training sessions
- We are continuing to recruit and with the Pool of New Recruits from Last Season, we are hoping they continue Officiating to relieve the Stress on our Older/Seasoned Officials.
- Dealt with approximately (4) Disciplinary issues last season. From Officials disrespecting players & coaches

Respectively Submitted, Guilman Roy Zone 6

#### **Nominating Committee Report**

Per the requirements of the constitution, on Aug 1, 2018, I circulated to all of the Zone Reps an e-mail asking for nominations for the two positions that were up for election, Interpreter/Evaluator, and Secretary/Treasurer. I asked for nominations to be submitted by August 15, 2017. The incumbents, Seward Neilsen (I/E) and Peter DeMerchant (S/T) both let their names stand for re-electio0n

On August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016, I advised the Secretary/Treasurer there were no further nominations for either position. Therefore the report of the nominating committee is to officially nominate Seward Neilsen for the position of Interpreter/Evaluator of AABO and Peter DeMerchant for the position of Secretary/Treasurer of AABO for the next two year term.

Respectfully submitted Scott Wood Nominating Committee Chairman