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728 Main Street, Woodstock, NB, E7M 2E7

AGM

Sep 28, 2021

Microsoft Teams – Online Meeting

Adam Humphrey - Meeting Called to order at 8:03 PM.

30 Voters registered plus Carolyn Peppin representing BNB – List attached

Adam presented the agenda.

M Scott Brown/Frazer Bykowski we accepted the agenda as presented. Carried

2020 Minutes presented

M Dirk Bishop/Al Barrieault 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 deficit for 2020-21 of \$ 2,383.91. The 2021/22 budget was presented with an expectation to be in balance for the year

M Peter DeMerchant/Vern Thomas we accept the Financial Report and 2021/22 Budget. Carried.

Zone Reports

Zone 1 – Oral & Written

Zone 2 - Oral & Written

Zone 3 – Written

Zone 4 - Oral & Written

Zone 5 - Oral & Written

Zone 6 - Oral & Written

M Ryan Murphy/Dave Gallagher we accept the Executive and Zone reports as presented. Carried.

Correspondence - None

Old Business



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In his VP report, Danny reported the results from the fitness test conducted at the 2019 AGM at St. Malachy's High School. He indicated it would give us a base line for future testing and once we return to some form of normalcy, we will implement the fitness testing as a requirement for the ACAA & U Sport panel officials.

New Business

Vice President Patterson presented and explained the Notice of Motion for changes to the Constitution to accommodate NBIAA JV Provincials, Regionals, Sectionals, and Final 12 assignments and eligibility requirements

M Dan Patterson/Kyle Woodworth the amendments to the NBAABO Constitution as circulated in the meeting notice and outlined in Appendix "A" at the end of this document be accepted as presented with the change in wording in 2C from 'abilities' to 'skill's. Carried

President Humphrey presented and explained the Notice of Motion regarding the creation of an NBAABO scholarship.

M Jeff Smith/Guilman Roy the amendments to the NBAABO Constitution and Operating Procedures as circulated in the meeting notice and outlined in Appendix "B" at the end of this document be accepted as presented. Carried

Adam reported on the return to play protocols. He strongly urged all officials to start reviewing the rules, interpretations and cases in advance of the season. He also stressed the need to start physical conditioning and training prior to the season. Most officials have not worked in over 18 months and it would be in everyone's best interests to start getting prepared mentally and physically for a return to the court.

Adam reported GNB are requiring all individuals involved with indoor sporting activities will be required to be double vaccinated. This will mean that any official that wants to officiate this season will need to show proof of having received both vaccination shots. This will be monitored by NBAABO by having the Zone Reps physically verify the vaccination records of their officials. The Zone Reps will then advise the Assignors of which officials are eligible to work and they will advise the Secretary-Treasurer in order to verify the ACAA/U Sport panel members. Copies of vaccination records WILL NOT be kept by NBAABO or any of its representatives. Zone Reps will check them and return them to the officials. The travel rule stipulating officials had to travel to games separately has been rescinded and officials are expected to travel together to games, whenever possible. If the officials want to travel separately, it will be up to them to determine how the travel will be split but only one travel will be expensed to the school.

VP Dan Patterson then presented the report on the review of game fees and expenses.

M Al Barrieault/Ryan Murphy we accept the proposal to increase the travel fee from \$.38/km to \$.40/km effective immediately and to accept the proposal to increase the per diems to \$ 10-\$15-\$20 effective with the 2022/2023 season. Carried.



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M Bruce Hendry/Scott Brown we accept the proposal to delay our next scheduled fee increase from the 2022/2023 season to the 2023/2024 season and that the new rates be as follows: U11 - \$30; U13/14 - \$ 35; U16/18 - \$ 46 and Adults - \$ 51. Carried.

Nominating Committee Report - Scott (report read by Peter D) indicated he had requested nominations for President and Vice President. Danny Patterson’s name was submitted for the position of President, no further nominations were received, and Danny will be elected by acclamation. As there were no nominations received for the position of Vice President, we recommend this position be left vacant for now, and the Executive will fill the position by appointment when they find a suitable candidate. The appointee’s name will then be presented at the next AGM and stand for election.

M Bruce Hendry/Frazer Bykowski we accept the Nomination Committee’s report. Carried

Motion Mike Redpath to adjourn and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

Registered Voters

Member	Zone	Member	Zone	Member	Zone
Dirk Bishop	1	Peter DeMerchant	1	Bruce Hendry	1
Ian Thomas	1	Vern Thomas	1	Dave Gallagher	1
Al Barrieault	2	Terry Dolan	2	Adam Humphrey	2
Todd Messer	2	Matt Tweedie	2	Kyle Woodworth	2
Jeff McGinley	3	Don Walker	3	Jeff MacDonald	4
Doug Malcolm	4	Dave McGrattan	4	Tom McGrattan	4
Troy McQuinn	4	Clayton Mitchell	4	Ryan Murphy	4
Danny Patterson	4	Scott Brown	5	Frazer Bykowski	5
Mike Redpath	5	Brent Smith	5	Jeff Smith	5
Steve Wilson	5	Scott Wood	5	Carolyn Peppin	BNB
Total in Attendance	31				



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Appendix "A"

NOTICES OF MOTION

The following motion presented by Danny Patterson and seconded by Kyle Woodworth will be considered:
Move to amend the NBAABO Operating Procedures as follows:

The parts to the below OP have been modified. The stricken words come from the old document and the changes are in Red, Bold and Underline.

Section 9 - Assignments - NBIAA Championships

1. General

- a. Only officials holding a Level 2 or higher rating, in good standing, are eligible for ~~Provincial Sectional and Final 12 tournament~~ **NBIAA Championship assignments.**
- b. In exceptional circumstances, where no Level 2 or higher official is available, a Level 1 official may be assigned for an ~~Provincial Sectional~~ **NBIAA Championship** assignment.
- c. An official who wishes to be considered for a tournament assignment shall submit their name to the Evaluations and Assignments Committee at least 10 days prior to the commencement of the ~~Provincial Sectional~~ **Senior Regional tournaments and JV Provincials.**
- d. From this list, the Evaluation and Assignments Committee shall make the appointments: ~~to the Provincial Sectional and Final 12 tournaments.~~
 - i. to the Provincial Sectionals and Final 12 tournament**
 - ii. to the JV Provincials or Senior Regionals as necessary, working with the local zone.**
- e. The Evaluation and Assignments Committee shall cause all selected officials to be notified indicating the tournament assignment, the date and the approximate starting times.

2. Provincial Sectionals

- a. Where feasible, no more than two officials from one region shall be assigned to any Provincial Sectional tournament.
- b. The Evaluations and Assignments Committee shall name a Crew Chief for all tournaments and the appointed Crew Chief shall make all of the assignments **for that site.**
- c. Each Crew Chief shall provide constructive criticism aimed at improving the **skills** of the officials involved, and liaise with the tournament manager about officiating matters.
 - d. Including the Crew Chief, there shall be 3 officials sent to each Sectional Tournament. In the event of one site hosting a double Sectional Tournament, five officials, including a single Crew Chief shall be assigned to the site.**
 - e. Officials may be moved to a second Sectional Tournament to work a Sectional Final.**

3. Final 12



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~~a. Each Region is guaranteed at least one appointment to the Final 12 provided that the Region has a minimum of four officials assigned to work in Provincial Sectionals. A Region, which does not have four officials assigned to work in Provincial Sectionals, is not excluded from getting one or more Final 12 assignments; it is only excluded from being guaranteed an assignment.~~

~~b.~~ **a. Eligibility**

All officials assigned to officiate at the Final 12 shall:

- i. work a Provincial Sectional, **JV Provincial or Provincial Senior Regional** game as assigned by the E/A committee, or a Collegiate/University game scheduled at a conflicting time with the Provincial Sectionals
- ii. have scored a grade equal to or greater than the Level 2 pass mark on their first submission of the written rules test for the current season.

iii. have a minimum of 2 evaluations during the season by an NBAABO approved/assigned evaluator. Officials required to travel for said evaluation(s) may be asked to forgo any travel expenses.

~~c.~~ **b. Stand-by officials**

- i. The Evaluation and Assignments Committee will appoint a stand-by official for each session of games at the Final 12
- ii. Stand-by officials shall receive ½ game fee for each game in which they are assigned.
- iii. Travel expenses for stand-by officials will be covered by AABO.
- iv. The stand-by official will be recognized as part of the officiating crew, dressing for the game, taking part in any pre-game activities, and sitting at the scorer's table during the game.
- ~~v. Appointments of stand-by officials do not satisfy the guarantees as laid out in Section 9.3(a).~~

Appendix "A"

NOTICES OF MOTION

Motion Jeff Smith / Guilman Roy we create a Scholarship and amend the Constitution and Operating Procedures as outlined below:

Constitution

Article 7... Duties of Board Members and Executive

3. The immediate Past President shall chair the following standing Committees:

- a. Honours and Awards Committee.
- b. Nominating Committee

In the absence of another appointee from the Executive Committee, they shall be the AABO liaison with BNB.

Article 9 ... Standing Committees

3. g. The Honors and Awards Committee, chaired by the immediate Past President, recommends to the Executive Committee any persons to be honored by AABO. It recommends for recognition to the AABO, BNB, and CBOC those who have demonstrated a long-term dedication to basketball and have brought distinction to the AABO and basketball in general.



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Operating Procedures

Section 13 – Honours and Awards

4. Seward Neilson Scholarship

- a. Awarded annually to one or two officials who have demonstrated a desire to continue their officiating development while attending post-secondary education
- b. administered by the Honours & Awards Committee
- c. Recipients shall
 - i. be an NBAABO member for the upcoming basketball season
 - ii. be a full-time student at a post-secondary institution during the upcoming basketball season
 - iii. have their application submitted by Aug 15. The application package shall include:
 1. copy of their applicant's transcript (high school marks if new post-secondary student)
 2. letter from their Zone Representative
 3. personal letter detailing their officiating history and future aspirations
 - iv. be permitted to receive the scholarship multiple times over their lifetime, but are not eligible to win in consecutive years
- d. The scholarship shall be valued at \$500 annually. Should the Honours & Awards Committee desire, they may recognize two recipients in a single year, each with a \$250 value.

Reports Presented

President's Report

2020/21 Executive

President	Adam Humphrey
Vice President	Dan Patterson
Secretary/Treasurer	Peter DeMerchant
Interpreter/Evaluator	Jeff Smith
Past President	Scott Wood

As with everything else in our lives, basketball officiating has more or less been put into a state of “on hold” for the last 18 months. Compared to those who are west of us where there was absolutely no basketball played, officials in NB were fortunate to step on the court for a few games this past season, even if we had to work with some differences in the rules, and no spectators being permitted. Thankfully, restrictions in our province were progressively lifted over the summer, and basketball has returned to a more normal state. While we may still have some restrictions to work with this winter, basketball will be back almost to pre-pandemic levels.



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My annual report normally reviews what has taken place over the past year; as noted, on the floor, there is very little to mention. Both the AUS and ACAA conferences were shut down for the entire fall term, with the winter term allowing exhibition games where teams were permitted to play. Once province-wide health provisions were lifted in March, four of our five Colleges/Universities were able to play a few exhibition games. Both conferences have full schedules in place for the 2021/22 season, and are looking forward to a successful return to the floor.

At the high school level, games were in a constant state of flux when the season started, as health provisions and school closures were constantly being updated. By January, the entire province was shut down, and did not re-open until March, after the date for which high school games could be played. For the first time since being introduced in the mid 1980's, the Final 12 tournament was not held. As I write this, the upcoming season will still see some restrictions in place, as spectators are not going to be allowed in the gyms, and teams will only be permitted to play against other NB schools. This will have an affect on teams looking to host a tournament.

For age-class teams, it was a difficult season as these teams struggled to find court time with the closure of school gyms to community use. Some associations were able to find/use alternate gym sites, which allowed for some games to be played in the March/April period. Some areas of the province were fortunate to have some exhibition games take place in the late spring/summer for older age-class teams as these players looked to salvage something from a lost year. Looking ahead to the upcoming season, floor time could again be an issue as school gyms are not being made available at the current time. This will definitely have an impact on the younger age groups, which by extension affects our ability to recruit and work with newer officials.

While there was not much action taking place on the court this past year, we have still been busy off the court. From planning our return to the court last fall, through to the work of various Committees that were struck this past summer (Final 12/Sectional Review, Game Fees, Scholarship, Wink Willox), NBAABO has continued to look ahead, even if we are in a bit of a holding pattern on the court.

At the National level, CBOC held monthly meetings during the winter, and then bi-monthly meetings over the summer. One of the major spring initiatives for Canada Basketball was their Super Clinic weekend, held (online) at the end of May; CBOC contributed to this with a number of officiating sessions, hosted by some very high profile officials. These sessions were quite interesting and very well presented. When the Super Clinic comes around again in May, 2022, we would highly recommend to everybody to attend whatever sessions you can.

CBOC has spent a lot of time and effort further refining the Level 1 and Level 2 certification process. To obtain these certifications, officials will now be required to attend a couple of (online) classroom sessions in addition to passing their rules test and floor evaluation. Work is now about to start on a similar process for Level 3. There has been much discussion for a few years now regarding clothing (shirts, pants, jackets) at the National level. The latest information I have to share on this is that Canada Basketball was on the verge of signing a clothing deal with a major company, but this fell through mid-summer. As such, we still have no news on pre-game jackets, or a national shirt. The jackets that were proposed 2 years ago by Lulu Lemon will be offered as



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“venue jackets” – ie a jacket you can wear from your vehicle into the gym, but are not to be worn as a pre-game (warm-up) jacket.

Provincially, I want to acknowledge each and every member of NBAABO. Even though we essentially had no season this past year, we still had more than 80% of our members pay their dues and maintain their membership. Compared to other provinces (including those in the Maritimes where basketball was played), this was staggering as everybody else saw membership levels drop by 50% or more. So kudos to each of you for your interest in the game, and for your desire to stay active with officiating.

Lastly, as this brings my tenure as your President to a close, I want to thank my fellow Executive members for the time and effort they volunteer on behalf of this organization. It’s easy to look good and do a good job when you have good people around you. I can’t say enough about what Danny, Peter, Jeff, and Scott do for this Association.

Following three items were added to this report AFTER the meeting. They were missed simply as an oversight!

1. Test window for this year will be Nov 1 – Dec 10. CBOC will send out login details regarding the test later in October.
2. For the 27th consecutive year, NB has submitted a nomination for the Wink Willox award (along with nominations for other awards). Thanks to Seward’s diligence, we are the only province to have recognized our officials for this long a period, and the Executive is committed to continuing this recognition of our top officials.
3. I also neglected to recognize Dave McGrattan for his BNB Service Award that he received this past July. Congratulations to Dave on this recognition and for the years of high level officiating that he put in on behalf of NBAABO.

Respectfully Submitted,
Adam Humphrey
NBAABO President

Vice President’s Report

We didn’t get to do much in terms of basketball on the court this year but we do have some direction and guidance as we enter the 2021-2022 season. Most of it is through Adam and his meetings with CBOC. I am including the Beep test results in my report as I want to make sure that, although it will not be in effect for this coming season, it is a good benchmark and something we need to keep in mind as we move towards improvement.



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Results from NBAABO Beep test in 2019

Age	Score		
21	64		71 average
36	94		
36	104		
38	109		14 below average
40	91		7 above average
41	70		
42	60		Level Suggestions
45	94		
46	88		Under 30 - 90
48	60		31-40 - 80
49	28		41-50 - 70
49	54		51+ - 60
49	69		
51	80		
52	50		
55	65		
55	65		
56	67		
58	52		
65	65		
66	64		

The level suggestions are up for debate, and we can move them as we see fit.

Again, I would be mistaken if I didn't take time to thank Adam, Peter, Scott, and Jeff for all the hard work they have put into this non basketball year. We do have direction moving forward and it is my sincere hope that we are able to be back into the gyms doing what we love to do most and that is sweat hard, run fast and get thanked (by yelling and criticisms) from as many parents, coaches, and players.

Game Fee & Expenses Committee:

- Game Fees – Given the lost year just gone by, there was discussion about waiving a year in our fee increase agreements with our partners.



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- Increase the mileage rate from \$.38/km to \$.40/km immediately.
- Game Fee increases – on the next increase (2023/2024 season) U11 go to \$ 30; U13/14 \$ 35; U16/18 - \$ 46; Adults - \$ 51. This would push out the increase an extra year, and have the U11 and U13/U14 rates increase by only \$1 (instead of \$2).
- Per Diems increase for the 2022/2023 season move to \$ 10 - \$ 15 - \$ 20

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Patterson - 2021

Interpreter's Report

1. Year in Review

-slow year for obvious reasons

-unable to complete NOCP II game evaluations as per normal in Woodstock. If you are interested in NOCP II, speak to your zone rep.

-within CBOC we now have a full-time, paid resource responsible for the development of officials (Mike Thomson – Manager, Officials Development – CBOC). Mike resides in BC.

-busy year for all CBOC committees, especially Training & Development. Online versions of NOCP I and II training have been developed. Sessions are offered throughout the year. CBOC sends notifications by email for upcoming sessions. I highly recommend registering for these sessions (as available) based on your current NOCP level.

2. Rules

No Rule changes to report.

Current FIBA rules can be found here (link to gameplanbasketball.ca):

[2020 Official Basketball Rules](http://gameplanbasketball.ca)

3. Interpretations

No updates to Rules Interpretations to report.

Current FIBA Rules Interpretations can be found here (link to gameplanbasketball.ca):

[2020 Official Basketball Rules – Official Interpretations](http://gameplanbasketball.ca)

4. Procedures

We had one minor procedural change (included in this AGM report)



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See attached: **FREE THROW VIOLATIONS: PROCEDURE**

This is a minor procedural change that should be implemented for all games going forward.

5. CBOC Points of Emphasis

Points of Emphasis are reviewed and published annually.

Current CBOC Points of Emphasis for the upcoming season can be found here (link to gameplanbasketball.ca):

[CBOC NATIONAL POINTS OF EMPHASIS 2021-22](#)

6. Technology Updates

-every NBAABO member should have a gameplanbasketball.ca account

-I highly recommend each NBAABO member download, become familiar with, and use the following 2 apps available in the App Store and Google Playstore:

1. FIBA iREF Academy
2. FIBA iREF Pre-Game

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeff Smith

Zone # 1 Report

Following is the report on the activities within Zone # 1 for the 2020-2021 season.

- We ran our rules clinic on line using Microsoft Teams
- During the year 158 games were assigned, an 80 % decrease over the prior season.
- 83 of these games were played between Mar 15 and June 30, 2021
- We used a total of 25 officials
- We are losing two officials who worked a lot of games between them. Both have moved from the area

Respectfully submitted
Dirk Bishop- Zone # 1 Rep

Zone # 2 Report



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Finished the season with 68 high school games, and 45 age class (U14/U12/U10) games through to end of March.

Lucky to have an additional 17 U15/17 games in April/June/July. And 16 UNB Summer League games of high quality ball.

So... 153 games in total for the zone from Nov – July

We will definitely will need more officials so recruiting is a must. We have a big gap forming between those with 20+ years and < 5 years, and we currently have no new candidates.

Zone AGM scheduled for Oct 4.

Rules clinics will begin in October and be done virtually.

We are moving forward as if we will have a full season for now. Hopefully that is our reality.

Respectfully submitted
Todd Messer- Zone # 2 Rep

Zone # 3 Report

Not much to report in Zone 3. Don Walker is going to be the head coach of the Varsity Girls at SSSHS, so that will deplete resources a bit, not just number of games, but experience and overall respectability on the floor. Terry Hatt has decided to step aside as well, but Dave Taylor is no longer coaching, so he will be able to do more games, but still leaves us quite short.

As some other zones, even though we are going to have low numbers, we are hoping to get back onto the court this fall and have a full schedule of games; it will be good for the body and most importantly, the mind.

Zone # 4 Report

After an unfortunate fall/winter season, our spring/summer season was better. RNS hosted a 10-week league with 6 boys and 4 girls teams. Teams came from Fredericton, Moncton, Fundy and Saint John, and consisted of high school, college and university players. Basketball New Brunswick had several weekends of scrimmages for their developmental programs, including the Canada Games teams. This led to two tournament weekends, which were considerably smaller than our usual Summerfest.

For a second spring in a row, we were unable to certify our officials that are moving to a Level 1 due to a lack of games at the appropriate levels of play. The same goes for the recruiting of new officials.

How to conduct weekly meetings for our members, and training sessions for our new officials, are the two biggest challenges that Jeff and I are facing right now. Virtual Q&A sessions is an option if we can't meet as a group. We will do our local elections by email voting again, as we did last year.



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Overall, COVID protocols were followed at most gyms where we did have games. There were a few places that had to be reminded of a few things (two balls, sanitizer at the table, etc), but all were accommodating to make any changes on the spot. Any recent changes to safety protocols will be addressed in our first meeting.

Respectively Submitted,

Dave McGrattan
Zone 4

Zone # 5 Report

The 2020-2021 season report for zone 5 as follows:

As is the case across the entire province, Covid-19 had significant impact to our season.

In November 2020 we managed to schedule 1 mini game. We had 3 weeks of school play in December, and 2 games the month of January. Covid spread then shut us down.

In March 2021 some officials were fortunate to see some exhibition ACAA play for a few weeks.

Finally, from April to July of 2021, our zone did see a fair amount of age class games that generated opportunity for officials and kids who wanted to play.

We are all looking forward to what should be an exciting 2021-2022 season as players, coaches, officials and fans will all be pumped to see live game action again!

Regards,

Mike Redpath

Zone # 6 Report

- Matt Sturgeon replacing Guilman Roy as Zone #6 – Northeast NBAABO Representative. Will assist Matt with the transition.
- Matt Sturgeon continue assigning in Miramichi Region
- Pat Cameron will be assigning in the Bathurst Region and Trevor McNally will be assigning in the Campbellton & Dalhousie Region
- Junior & Senior Recruitment is Key to an aging Basketball Officials in the Northeast Region

Respectively Submitted,



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Guilman Roy
Past NBAABO Zone 6

Nominating Committee Report

The only report I have is that I sent out a request for names to be submitted for the two executive positions, in mid June, with a deadline of August 20. Danny put his name up for the President's post, and there were no others received. No names were submitted for the VP position, and as far as I know, at this point it is vacant. Adam will move on to the Past President role.

Respectfully submitted
Scott Wood
Nominating Committee Chairman