CIAC OFFICIALS' ADVISORY BOARD ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

MAY 10, 2012

Members present: Melissa Arms, Chris Burns, Bud Chernovetz, Joe Delbuono, John Hackett, Pat Javorski, Jay Kelleher, Hank Koritkoski, Marie Lavin, Kelly Murphy, DJ Nadeau, Lil Perone, Lev Torgerson, and Joe Tonelli, CIAC Staff.

ACTION ITEMS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

On a motion by Lev the minutes of February 16, 2012 were approved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Approximately 4,150 individual officials occupy about 5,150 officiating slots. There are approximately 2,100

MEMBERSHIP TEMPLATES

By unanimous consent, it was agreed that membership in the CIAC Officials' Association runs from July 1 to June 30. The current board rosters will be distributed at the state-wide meeting and the method for making updates will be explained. An electronic copy of the 2011-12 roster will serve as the starting point for the 2012-13 roster.

STATE-WIDE MEETING

The Advisory Board was reminded and invited to attend the state-wide meeting (6-14-12).

FINANCIAL UPDATE

The CIAC Officials' Association continues to have a solid financial base as a result of the CIAC subsidy that significantly reduces our expense.

BACKGROUND CHECKS

Criminal Information Services (Cris Company) of Oregon did an excellent job with the reports and getting the information to us in a timely manner. The first year went very well and over 4,000 officials were screened. Starting with the 2012-13 season, there will be a \$10 non-refundable background check fee payable to CIAC for all new applicants. Up to this point, the background checks were done at no additional cost to the officials or the local boards. Joe reported that over \$14,000 was expended. When meeting with new candidates it is helpful to provide them with a copy of the background check policy and also inform them it can be accessed on line at www.ciacofficialsassociation.org. Also, utilize this opportunity to get their full name, including their middle name or initial. All agreed CIAC provided a valuable service to the boards and the schools by doing background checks.

GRANTS PROGRAM

Chairman Hank Koritkoski reported on the success of the grants program. A list of boards that have already received the\$250 grants were distributed along with a list of boards that did not apply. The advisory board voted unanimously to extend the deadline through June 30, 2013 for ONLY those groups that did not apply. Hank encouraged all boards to apply.

OLD BUSINESS

• Preseason rules meeting for coaches – Joe needs the fall dates and details. Officials' groups should send the dates of their preseason rules meetings for coaches to Joe Tonelli. The reimbursements and the honorarium for the clinicians have worked out well. Over \$6,000 has been extended for this initiative.

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• The dates for the July and September on-line rules interpretation meetings were distributed. All meetings are at 2 p.m. at CIAC.

NEW BUSINESS

- The Advisory Board Meeting Dates have been finalized. Thursday, October 25, 2012 / Thursday, February 7, 2013 / Thursday, May 9, 2013. All meetings are 4PM.
- The state-wide meeting is Thursday, June 14, 2012 @ 5:30 pm. The format was discussed which will include idea sharing.
- Joe Tonelli will arrange for an Officials' rep at the August, September, and October Board of Control Meetings. If you signed up please reconfirm.
- Officials' fees were discussed. The idea of a voluntary one year freeze of officials' fees has been brought up by league and other AD's. It was mentioned that perhaps the groups can assess the feasibility of the concept at a local board meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS / IDEA SHARING

The group shared some ideas about the follow questions: Since the number of new officials is on the rise, are they sticking with it? Are there any boards with an abundance of officials, and if so, how are you dealing with it? Should we raise the awareness regarding the use of the social media by officials? What officials should avoid? It was the unanimous opinion of the group that this would be a worthwhile topic at the state-wide meeting?

OTHER BUSINESS

CIAC officials' patches were briefly discussed. There seemed to be mixed feelings about the feasibility of patches. The item will be placed on the agenda for the fall meeting.

AROUND THE TABLE

A couple of the items mentioned by board members...

- An excellent article shared entitled "Don't Rest in the Off season"
- This year is the 40th anniversary of title IX. The group mentioned how far women's sports have come and we should continue to support women's athletics.
- CIAC was asked to continue to encourage athletic directors to check the assigning program of the board commissioners to double check schedule changes. Most assigners use Arbiter. It was also mentioned that the game officials should take a more active role in checking on their games on days with unsettled weather.
- The success of the grants program was emphasized and it clearly exemplifies the concept of CIAC assisting local boards to better serve their officials and the member schools.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m. The next meeting will be Thursday, October 25, 2012 @ 4:00 pm.