



Ohio Association of Football Officials

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The Annual Meeting of the Ohio Association of Football Officials was held on Friday, August 4, 2017, at the Royal American Links, Galena, Ohio. The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Noggle at 4:50 PM.

Life Members in Attendance: Alge, Amicon, Crispino, Clemmons, Eckert, Mahan, Mlakar, D. Nowak, Pfaff.

Active Members in Attendance: Adams, Brigati, D. Buchanan, Bullock, Carder, Clay, Davis, Durnwald, Ellis, Feeney, Foltz, Furjanic, Gerogosian, C. Griffith, M. Griffith, Hayhurst, Ken Katafias, Kevin Katafias, Kuhlman, Mahnke, Mangas, Marotti, McDonald, Moldovan, Myers, Niemi, Noggle, Mike Pickarski, Riepenhoff, Robison, Schwieterman, Shaw III, Shelton, Steiner, Stout, Tipton, and Ziemkiewicz.

Associate Members in Attendance: Aller, Blair, Duncan, Knipper, Strausbaugh, and Widman.

Provisional Members in Attendance: Keller, Kemp, Lawless, Shaw IV.

Copies of the minutes from the 2016 meeting were distributed and the members were asked to review them. Motion to accept minutes; Brigati (SE), second Ken Katafias (NW). Motion carried.

Secretary-Treasurer Carder reviewed the Financial Report from the past year. A listing of receipts and expenses from August 2016 through July 2017 was provided. Bank accounts show \$8,807.19 in Checking, \$1,000.00 in Spring Clinic Account, \$416.18 in Money Market Savings and \$0.00 in PayPal. Total Cash on Hand, \$10,223.37. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report; Clay (NW), second Amicon (SW). Motion carried.

President Noggle referred to the handout showing test scores, required number of signatures, and scheduling requirements for both new Associate and Active members.

He reported that the following Provisional Members have been recommended for advancement to Associate Member status. A. Barnes (C), J. Bradford (C), L. Burrell (C), Z. Green (C), B. Klay (C), S. Moon (C), J. Smith (C), J. Edler (NW), G. Gompf (NW), J. Janssens (NW), M. Kuhn (NW), J. Shaw IV (NW), B. Strain (NW), N. Lawless (SE), J. Hasel (NE), S. Hayhurst (NE), J. Huff (NE), G. Keller (NE), K. Kemp (NE), M. Lloyd (NE), M. Massey (NE).

Motion by Shaw III (NW) to accept all 21 Provisional Members listed for advancement to Associate Members. Second by Crispino (SW). Motion carried.

President Noggle then presented one Associate Member, Bart Buckler (NE), who has been recommended by the Executive Committee for advancement to Active Membership.

Motion by Crispino (SW) to accept, second by Mlakar (NE).
Motion carried.

President Noggle announced that letters of recommendation were received by the Executive Committee to nominate Steve Furjanic (NE) and John Keener (SE) for Life Membership. Voting took place at the Spring Clinic in Findlay and both Mr. Furjanic and Mr. Keener will be inducted as Life Members of the OAFO at tonight's Kickoff Banquet.

NW District Rep Joel Clay was called on to read the list of playoff/post-season assignments awarded to OAFO Members for the 2016 season.

11/19/16, NCAA Div.III 1st Round, Alfred vs. Bridgewater St., Doug Rathbone (U), Todd Pcionek (H), Joe Goicochea (L), Cory Miller (B), Monty Mlakar (O), John Keener (O).

11/19/16, NCAA Div.III 1st Round, John Carroll vs. Olivet, Wes Davis (R), Jared Greene (U), Bret Roberson (H), Jamie Harding (L), Kevin Kelly (S), Jim Borgia (F), Ryan Schwieterman (B).

11/19/16, NCAA Div.II 1st Round, Indiana (PA) vs. Fairmont St., Nick Brigati (H).

11/19/16, NCAA Div.II 1st Round, Long Island vs. Winston-Salem St., Kyle Brown (B).

11/26/16, NCAA Div.I FCS 1st Round, New Hampshire vs. Lehigh, Jim Rogers (F).

12/02/16, MAC Championship, Ohio vs. Western Michigan, Rudy Studd (H), Tom Riepenhoff (B), Steve Furjanic (RO).

12/03/16, NCAA Div.I FCS 2nd Round, Sam Houston St. vs. Chattanooga, Gary Schildmeyer (L), Ken Myers (RO).

12/03/16, B1G Championship, Penn State vs. Wisconsin, Mike Elliott (B), Denny Morris (A).

12/17/16, New Orleans Bowl, Southern Miss vs. Louisiana-Lafayette, Bob Stinson (A).

12/20/16, Boca Raton Bowl, Memphis vs. Western Kentucky, Jeff Noggle (F).

12/23/16, Armed Forces Bowl, Navy vs. Louisiana Tech, Tom Riepenhoff (B).

12/26/16, Independence Bowl, N.C. State vs. Vanderbilt, Jeff Szink (L), Scott Buchanan (B), Dave Nowak (Comm).

12/28/16, Texas Bowl, Kansas State vs. Texas A&M, Ron Tipton (L), Joel Clay (S).

1/02/17, Sugar Bowl, Auburn vs. Oklahoma, Jim Shaw III (U), Tom Krispinsky (A).

President Noggle acknowledged the large number of post-season assignments and thanked those members for representing the Association so well.

Vice President Brigati, on behalf of the OAFO, recognized and thanked the Supervisors of Officials from the area for staffing their leagues with OAFO members. Those recognized were: Andy Pfaff of the NCAC, Danny Kleckner of the OAC, Mark Baltz of the HCAC, Gene Steratore of the PAC and Mountain East, Mike McCann of the GLIAC and GLVC, Bill Carollo of the COC, (Big 10, MAC and Missouri Valley) and Terry McAulay of the AAC.

Paul Stout (NW), Spring Clinic Co-Chairman for 2017, presented a report on the event held in May at the Hilton Garden Inn in Findlay. 160 men (both members and non-members) attended this year's clinic, Besides reviewing rules and mechanics, there was a focus on both leadership training and game management

skills, as well as an in depth discussion and presentation on Replay. President Noggle thanked the members from the NW District for their efforts in planning and hosting this year's clinic.

Chad Adams (SW) reported that 48 players teed it up in the Lowell Wrigley Memorial Golf Tournament this year, held at the Royal American Links, Galena, OH.

The 2017 Kickoff Banquet will take place immediately after the meeting upstairs here at the Royal American. 60 have reservations and are expected to attend tonight. Member Bob Waggoner, Associate Coordinator of Officials for the COC will be tonight's guest speaker. The program also calls for the presentation of a Life Member awards to Steve Furjanic (NE) and John Keener (SE). Life Member and past President John Crispino (SW), will be honored with his 50 Year Award tonight. Rick Bueter (C) will receive his 20 Year Award. The Jack McLain President's Award will be presented to outgoing President Jeff Noggle.

Secretary-Treasurer Carder was called on to give the E.C. "Irish" Krieger Scholarship report. Scholarship winners announced were: Jacob Bueter (Wooster), Samantha Ellis (Ohio U.), Quentin Mamarella (Ohio U.), Arabella McDonald (Bowling Green), Jason Myers (Oklahoma), Brigette Shaw (Cincinnati), Spencer VanFleet (Ohio U.), Emma Warns (Ohio State). He also clarified that the scholarship was started by Mr. Krieger's family and that the original language used does not actually reference the OAFO. Over the years the Association has donated to the scholarship and our members do apply and receive scholarship assistance for their children. Carder stated that in conversations with Ohio University officials, the language cannot be changed on the application, however, the OAFO is the only source of donations at this time and only our members are applying for the scholarship. A copy of the scholarship application has been updated and can be found on the OAFO Arbiter Central Hub. It was also mentioned that OAFO members who would like to donate to the scholarship, can do so by contacting Ohio University or making arrangements with their estate planning attorney.

Secretary Carder recommended that the OAFO make a donation this year to the Irish Krieger Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 plus \$146 from the sale of OAFO logo merchandise this past year. (\$2 for each item purchased).

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

President Noggle asked for a vote on the rotation of new officers for the upcoming year: President, Nick Brigati (SE); Vice President, Bill Ellis (SW) and Secretary-Treasurer, Brian Carder (NW). Motion by Bullock (SW), second by D. Nowak (NW). Motion carried.

Joining them on the Executive Committee for 2017-18 are Doug Warns (C), Joel Clay (NW), Nick Gerogosian (NE) and Jeff Noggle, Ex-Officio.

Membership Chairmen for 2017-18 are: Monty Mlakar (NE), Chad Adams (SW), Mike Pickarski (C), Ron Kay (NW) and John Keener (SE).

A list of all 2017 dues paid by members was included in the handout. Carder reminded everyone that 2018 dues (\$25), were to be paid by January 1, 2018. On February 1, 2018, there is a \$5 late fee.

With no more new business, a motion was made by John Crispino (SW) to adjourn, seconded by Nick Brigati (SE). Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 5:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian Carder, Secretary-Treasurer