

**Ohio Association of Football Officials
Annual Meeting
August 8, 2008
Minutes**

The membership of the Ohio Association of Football Officials met for their Annual Meeting on August 8, 2008. The meeting was held at the Marriott North Hotel. President Jon Shelton called the meeting to order at 6:07 P.M.

Active Members present for the meeting were: Sam Dudich, Bill Alge, Joel Clay, Bob Waggoner, Dave Nowak, Chris Garner, Brian Carder, Mike Poole, Kevin Katafias, Gary Arthur, Rick Mahan, Fred Brentlinger, Bill Bowersock, Kevin Pierce, Scott Myers, Ken Kuhlman, Keith Cramer, Maurice Wheeler, Ron Whaley, Bob Stinson, Randy Diehl, Monty Mlakar, Fenton Moore, Bill Henderly, Larry Clemens, Bob McDonald, Danny Kleckner, Steve Gfell, Kevin Mangas, Jon Shelton and Phil Kiser.

Life Members present for the meeting were: Don Baur, Jim Cameron, Jim Mahan, Don Wedge, John Crispino, Jack McLain, Larry Glass and Jack Winters.

Associate Members present for the meeting were: Stan Evans, Don Bondy, Ron Kay, John Browne, Chad Adams, Tony Moldovan, Bart Buckler, Edric Wright, Bill Ellis and Nick Gerogolian.

Provisional Members present for the meeting were: Bob Oswald, Andrew Mort and Bob Motter.

On a motion by Danny Kleckner and a second to the motion by Scott Myers and a vote by those present the minutes of the Annual Meeting in 2007 were approved as submitted.

The report on the treasury of the association was presented for approval. It was moved by Jim Cameron and seconded by John Crispino to approve the report as submitted. Motion carried.

Membership Report

A report was presented on those who have applied to be new Associate Members of the association.

It was noted that Robert Holley and James Murray need to provide an updated schedule of their games for the past two years.

It was moved by Monty Mlakar and seconded by Bob Stinson to accept into membership all of those on the report with Holley and Murray being accepted after supplying their schedules. Motion carried.

All those new members present were introduced to all present at the meeting.

President Shelton noted that the Southwest District had fifteen (15) new members this year.

Two Associate Members have applied to be Active Members.

It was moved by Scott Myers and seconded by John Crispino to accept Meddie Kalegi as an Active Member. Motion carried.

It was moved by Larry Clemmons and seconded by Fred Brentlinger to accept Steve Martin as an Active Member. Motion carried.

A report was submitted on members of the association who have not paid their dues for the administrative year. It was moved by Fenton Moore and seconded by Frank Bullock to give those members on the list thirty (3) days from the date of the Annual Meeting and then if the dues are not paid drop those listed from membership. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Bob McDonald gave the report on the Lowell Wrigley Memorial Golf Outing held earlier on this day at Champions Golf Course in Columbus. Fifty six (56) golfers played in the outing. Prizes and awards for the outing were given out at the course. The committee for the outing is considering offering bags for the golfers at the outing in 2009.

Bill Henderly reported on the Kickoff Banquet that will be held after the Annual Meeting on the day of the Annual Meeting. Eighty people attended the banquet in 2007 that was held at the Villa Milano on 8/10/07. There are seventy four (74) members signed up for the banquet this year with ten (10) guests scheduled to attend.

Fenton Moore reported on the Spring Clinic held in April, 2008. Ninety six (96) football officials signed up to take part in the clinic. Of that number sixty nine (69) were OAFO members. The committee had trouble finding college scrimmages for those attending the clinic to work on the field. Tiffin University, Ball State, Ohio University and Ohio Dominican University were the only colleges available the weekend of the clinic that officials could go to work on the field.. The clinic was indirectly a recruiting opportunity for the OAFO. Of the thirty seven (37) non members attending the clinic many of those had less than five years of officiating experience and were getting their first exposure to college football. The clinic turned a profit for the association.

It was reported that Larry Glass will be conducting a rule interpretation meeting as a part of the Ohio Athletic Conference officiating staff meeting on Saturday, August 8, 2008.

President Shelton expressed thanks to the supervisors of the collegiate conferences that used members of the OAFO during the 2007 season. Those supervisors recognized were:

Carl Paganelli – Mid American Conference, Mike Peira – National Football League, Dave Parry – Big Ten Conference, Larry Snyder – Hoosier Athletic Conference, Ed Tschannen – Missouri Valley Athletic Conference, Phil Barnes – Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Larry Glass – Ohio Athletic Conference and Andy Pfaff – North Coast Athletic Conference and the Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

The secretary reported that there were five recipients of the Irish Krieger Scholarship. Four of the five sent letters to the OAFO thanking the association for the scholarship money. It was moved by Monty Mlakar and seconded by Bill Henderly to send \$1,000.00 to Ohio University Development Department as a donation to the Irish Krieger Scholarship Fund. Motion carried.

Life Member

It was moved by Jack McLain and seconded by Chris Steiner to approve Dave Nowak for Life Member status. The secretary reported that three letters from Active members had sent letters of support for this nomination.

Brian Carder spoke in support of the nomination. Dave Nowak has been a leader in the Northwest District for a number of years. Has lead the local rule study groups and has mentored new officials as they moved up in the collegiate ranks. On and off the field Dave Nowark has been a leader on behalf of the OAF0 and collegiate football.

With no further discussion President Shelton called for a vote of the membership. The motion for Life Member status for Dave Nowak was approved without opposition.

Unfinished Business

The revisions for the Constitution and By-Laws did not happen this year. It will be worked on again this year with the hopes that a revised document can be presented to the membership for their consideration and review. President Shelton will work with incoming president Brian Carder with hopes that the task can be completed.

Recruiting of new members happened this year at the spring clinic. It is hoped that all of the districts in the OAF0 will work towards trying to recruit and train new officials and develop new members for the association.

Jim Mahan expressed the desire to see a later date for the promotional examination to be given to new members and those members wishing to move up to Active. Jim would like to see the exam be given in the spring so that those potential new members who are high school officials can put emphasis on the college rules for study during the winter and then take the exam.

It was moved by Jim Mahan and seconded by Jim Cameron to ask the Executive Committee to take into consideration this discussion before setting the time for when the exam is to be given. Motion carried.

With no further business to come before the membership the 2008 Annual Meeting was adjourned at 6:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip J. Kiser, Secretary