

Ohio Association of Football Officials

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The 88th Annual Meeting of the Ohio Association of Football Officials was held on Friday, August 10, 2012, at the Royal American Golf Club, Galena, Ohio. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Stinson at 5:40 PM.

Life Members in Attendance: Bauer, D. Baur, Crispino, Clemmons, Glass, Kiser, Montoney, Mahan, D. Nowak, Pfaff, Winters

Active Members in Attendance: Ellis, Johnson, Bullock, Bednarczyk, Pierce, Ken Myers, Bondy, Clay, Henderly, Motter, Adams, Mlakar, Widman, Hampton, Furjanic, McDonald, Morris, Steiner, Henderson, Shelton, Stout, Gfell, Reinhart, Sima, Stinson, Carder, J. George, Ken Katafias, Kevin Katafias, Kleckner, Poole, Bowersock, Kozma, Amicon, Arthur, Davis, Kuhlman, Niemi, Warns

Associate Members in Attendance: Kelly, Allion, Foltz, C. George, Gerogosian, Lilly, N. Nowak,

Provisional Members in Attendance: Bahner, Spryszak, Brown, Marotti, Streby, Griffith, Feeney, Hofstetter

Copies of the minutes from the 2011 meeting were distributed and the members were asked to review them. Shaw (NW) pointed out a typo in the 2011 minutes. The date of the meeting was listed as August 13, 2012. Motion by Bednarczyk (NE) to change the date to 2010. Seconded by Myers (NW). Motion carried.

Secretary-Treasurer Kiser reviewed the Financial Report from the past year. The only discussion was to see if the fees for golf and the banquet could be separated in the income statement. Noted by incoming Secretary-Treasurer Carder. Motion by McDonald (SW) to accept the Financial Report. Seconded by Kuhlman (NW). Motion carried.

Mr. Kiser reviewed the Membership Report, and noted that there were 26 Provisional Members who passed the Associate test and were being recommended to become Associate Members. It was pointed out that one Provisional Member, Patrick Ianni (NE), had passed his test, but his 2010 schedule did not meet the required points. Ex-Officio Mlakar (NE) explained that Mr. Ianni had moved into the area and had trouble filling his high school schedule his first year. His 2011 schedule met the minimum requirements. It was also noted by Gerogosian (NE) that Mr. Ianni has regularly attended weekly study

group meetings for the past three years. Motion by Mlakar (NE) to wave the 2010 schedule requirements for Ianni. Seconded by Gerogosian (NE). Motion carried.

The following Provisional Members have been recommended for advancement to Associate Member status. M. Bahner (NW), C. Beckstedt (SW), B. Bollin (NE), K. Brown (NE), D. Buchanan (NE), S. Ganow (SW), J. Goichochea (C), B. Feeney (NW), M. Griffith (NE), J. Harding (SW), J. Hofstetter (NW), D.J. Hines (C), P. Ianni (NE), S. Kaman (NW), N. Leigh (NE), A. Loudin (NE), J. Mandala, (NE), J. Marotti, (SW), G. Mosier (NW), N. Nieberding (SW), M. O'Connor (SW), F. Spryszak (NW), C. Sroka (NE), B. Steby (C), J. Wenglikowski (SW).

Motion by Shelton (C) to accept all 26 Provisional Members listed for advancement to Associate Members. Seconded by Crispino (SW). Motion carried.

President Stinson thanked the Membership Chairmen for their work in bringing such a large number of Associate Members into the Association this past year. Shelton (C) offered an acclamation as such for the record.

Seven Associate Members were recommended by the Membership Committee for Advancement to Active Membership. Each man met all the requirements for advancement and each was voted on individually. C. Allion (C); Motion by Widman (C) to accept, seconded by Hampton (C). Motion carried. N. Brigade (SE); Motion by Bullock (SW) to accept, seconded by Stout (NW). Motion carried. B. Carpenter (C); Motion by Shelton (C) to accept, seconded by Motter (C). Motion carried. B. Foltz (NW); Motion by Clay (NW) to accept, seconded by Poole (NW). Motion carried. C. George (SW); Motion by McDonald (SW) to accept, seconded by Crispino (SW). Motion carried. Kris Myers (NW); Motion by Ken Myers (NW) to accept, seconded by Stout (NW). Motion carried. R. Niemi (C); Motion by Widman (C) to accept, seconded by Motter (C). Motion carried.

Mr. McDonald was called on to report on the Lowell Wrigley Memorial Golf Tournament. He stated that there were 57 players this year. There was some discussion as to how to grow the golf tournament and get more members, especially newer members, to participate. It was the general consensus of the membership that the Royal American Golf Club is a great venue for the "Wrigley" and that we should try to book it for 2013. Carder to contact Jason Shelton at Royal American next week.

Banquet Committee Chairman Bill Henderly reported that we have 77 reservations for dinner at the banquet to follow. That is up from 56 who attended last year. Twelve members of the late Jack McLain family will be in attendance and it was mentioned that there would be a special tribute to Mr. McLain, who was a past President, long time Rules Interpreter and Life Member of the OAFO.

Mr. Henderly also was called on to give a report on the Spring Clinic. The 2012 clinic was held in Dublin, Ohio, at the Embassy Suites. There were 121 paid attendees, revenue of \$16,030, expenses of \$14,340, and a reported profit of \$1, 690. Mr. Henderly mentioned the efforts of webmaster Bill Ellis (SW) who designed the website to promote the clinic. He also offered thanks to President Stinson for his efforts in

organizing the clinic committee. Both offered their appreciation to Member Gary Arthur (NW) of the NFL for his work in organizing the clinicians.

Mr. Ellis was called on to report on the new OAFO website that was launched this past year. He stated that we still need 35 members to register on the site and how important it was for future communications of OAFO business that everyone be registered and complete their User Profiles. He stated that he has over 70 pages of information, including videos, and he would continue to add and update the site. He also mentioned the use of Constant Contact, an email program, that was instrumental in marketing the OAFO to high school officials and prospective members. It was used to promote the Spring Clinic and do email blasts to clinic attendees. Mr. Ellis will be working on designing specific pages recognizing Life Members. He stated that a page for Mr. McLain was recently posted. President Stinson again recognized Mr. Ellis for his important contribution to the OAFO.

Mr. Henderly was asked to give the Membership a report on the E.C. "Irish" Krieger Scholarship Fund. He stated that Ohio University manages the fund that was started by the Krieger family. To date there have been \$31,000 in donations to the Fund, the market value of the Fund is now \$50,647, and five scholarships of \$360 each were given this year.

Mr. Kiser stated that he had received \$240 in donations to the treasury for the stated purpose of the Irish Krieger fund. He mentioned that in past years the Association has made an annual contribution of \$1,000. In recent years, profits from the Spring Clinic have increased that amount. A motion was made by Crispino (SW) to contribute \$2,740 to the E.C. "Irish" Krieger Scholarship fund, which includes the \$240 that was received from individual donations. The motion was seconded by Myers (NW). Motion carried.

Life Member Jack Winters was asked to briefly explain to the newer members, "Who was Irish Krieger?" and what past contributions that Life Member Krieger made to both the OAFO and college football. Dr. Winters stated that Irish Krieger goes back to the early days of the OAFO, officiated in the Big 10, was instrumental in writing many of the current NCAA rules, as well as authoring the book **Football Officiating Illustrated** in 1946. A copy of the book was discovered and purchased by Member Wes Davis on eBay and later re-published (by Mr. Arthur) in 2003. Each new Associate Member will receive a copy of this book. Several key passages were read from the book.

The OAFO recognized and thanked the Supervisors of Officials from the area for staffing their leagues with OAFO members. Those recognized were: Life Member Andy Pfaff of the IOA, Special Member Steve Furniss of the OAC, Member Mike McCann of the GLIAC and GLVC, Larry Snyder of the HCAC, and Bill Carollo of the COC, (Big 10, MAC and Missouri Valley) along with members of his staff, Member Bob Waggoner (NW) and Member Gary Arthur (NW).

Unfinished Business. A Non Payment of Dues list was included with Mr. Kiser's minutes. It was suggested that each district's Executive Committee Member or Membership Chairman contact those

men from their district on this list and determine if they want to continue their membership in the OAFO. After much discussion, a motion by Bullock (SW) was made that these men pay their back dues by October 31, 2012 or be dropped from the Association. The motion was seconded by Ellis (SW). The motion carried, one dissenting vote by Myers (NW).

Mr. Kiser discussed the procedure for members to get back into the OAFO after they have been dropped. He stated that they could pay their back dues, including the \$5 penalty per year, or re-apply and test.

With no more new business, a motion was made by Arthur (NW) to adjourn, seconded by Johnson (SW). Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Carder, Secretary-Treasurer