

**NHFOA Council Meeting
May 24, 2012
Dover Fire Department Headquarters – Dover, NH**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Murphy at 6:01 PM. In attendance were Councilors Colburn, Driscoll, Hall, Jousset, Krupicka, Lafond, Murphy, Trask & Vogler. Also in attendance were Commissioner Clark, Secretary Smith & Treasurer Presher.

Councilor Krupicka moved to accept the minutes of April 26, seconded by Councilor Vogler, adopted unanimously.

Treasurer presented his report; the ending balance on May 10 was \$22,809.77. President Driscoll moved to accept the report, seconded by Councilor Colburn and adopted unanimously.*

Correspondence report from Secretary that Saint Anselm would not be hosting the football playoffs and championships this season. Also, Officials Rosen and Gifford have requested inactive status for the 2012 season. President Driscoll moved that the requests for inactive status be granted; discussion ensued about making sure the officials know what the inactive status means, Councilor Lafond moved and Councilor Krupicka seconded to table the discussion until the next meeting.

Commissioner Clark offered his report: mentioned that name tags might be available for relatively cheap money. CHaD team schedules start on June 13 for practicing, would like to bring the crew together soon so that they can go over the 7 man mechanics. He then went over the weekend schedule. Mentioned that his email from the day previous regarding inquiry among officials who would be interested in officiating prep school games and the response has been exceptional. Trask moved to accept the report, seconded by Lafond and unanimously adopted.

Old Business

1)Website information: Councilor Trask received email from webmaster that site is being worked on; concern about the site not being so user friendly, the Commissioner will reach out and report back.

New Business

1)NHFOA Patch discussion: Hall moved that the council rescind the 2011 ruling that the NHFOA patch not be worn on the uniform of non-NHFOA assigned games, Councilor Lafond seconded the motion. Discussion ensued from all the members present. The vote was tied at 5 yes's (Krupicka, Colburn, Lafond, Hall & Vogler) and 5 no's (Driscoll, Clark, Jousset, Murphy & Trask) and the motion failed.

2)Mechanics committee discussion, the clinic is August 11 at Memorial High School in Manchester. Discussed the proposed exceptions, will add the down indication on the chest. Clinic will focus on new mechanics for Back Judges, chain setting on well-marked fields. Points of emphasis will focus on hot topics and scrimmage plays with the school team. Still working on a conditioning program. July 28 will be an NHFOA golf tournament at the Loudon Country Club to support the organization.

3)Uniform committee postponed until June meeting.

4) Weekly meeting criteria/curriculum presented by Councilor Vogler. (Attached) Local coordinator SOP tabled until June.

5) NHIAA Supervisor/Assigner, the Commissioner seems to be in a state of limbo with respect to being properly notified of what the status

is regarding assigner/supervisor role. Straw poll of the Council showed unanimous disapproval of any action by the NHIAA to split the roles. Lafond moved to write a letter on behalf of the Council stating their position on the matter, it was adopted unanimously. 6) Constitution & Bylaws: Councilor Hall proposed a minor change to the bylaws to make article V, article IV and make article IV, article V to coincide with membership standards. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion, the Council voted unanimously and endorsed the change. 7) Athletic Director binder idea forwarded by Councilor Trask to include policies, practices, Arbiter issues, game day information, etc.

Next meeting will be June 21, Newmarket (Housing Authority) at 5:30.

With nothing further to come before the Council, Councilor Hall moved to adjourn at 8:35 PM.

*Commissioner Clark did not vote on any fiscal issues before the Council, has not since assuming the commissioner's post in December 2010 and will not moving forward.