

NHFOA Council Meeting

2/20/2020

Concord

Attendance

Officers

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Delois (Chairman) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ron Sevigny (President) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Tracy (President-Elect) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ernie Clark (Commissioner) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Presher (Treasurer) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Brownley (Secretary) |

Council

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Parkin | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Jaskolka |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Lafond | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kyle Scofield |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Parslow | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Cherbonneau |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greg Sarette | |

Steve Hall: 2020 Rule Changes and Points of Emphasis

Rule Changes:

- 1) Prior to the game, the head coach will notify the referee of the designated representative (coach or player) who will make the decisions regarding penalty acceptance or declination.
- 2) The halftime intermission may be shortened by mutual agreement of opposing coaches if a weather delay occurs during the last three minutes of the second period.
- 3) To eliminate a potential timing advantage gained by the defensive team, the rules committee approved the play clock being set to 40 seconds when an officials' time-out is taken for an injury to a defensive player or a defensive player has an equipment issue.
- 4) Following a legal kick when either team is awarded a new series, the play clock will be set to 25 seconds.

- 5) Disconcerting acts or words by the defense has been reclassified from a 15-yard unsportsmanlike foul to a 5-yard foul.
- 6) The exception to allow a player to conserve time by intentionally throwing the ball forward to the ground immediately after receiving the snap, has been expanded to include any player positioned directly behind the center. The exception now includes snaps that are not hand-to-hand.

2020 Points of Emphasis:

- 1) Sportsmanship
- 2) Intentional grounding
- 3) Ineligible downfield and line of scrimmage formation
- 4) Targeting

Meeting called to order by Chairman Delois at 6:36 P.M.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Presher emailed to Council in advance of meeting the Treasurer's Report for October. Councilor Cherbonneau motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, Councilor Parkin seconded. Discussion. Treasurer Presher mentioned that he has the registrations for the CHAD and Shrine games and inquired if it was okay to donate the usual \$600.00 to the games. Motion to okay the donations by Commissioner Clark, seconded by Councilor Scofield. Motion carried unanimously to allow the donations and motion carried to accept the Treasurer's report.

Commissioners' Report

Commissioner Clark stated that he has received a request from Bert Lawyer to be the coordinator of the officials for the CHAD game.

Councilor Lafond motioned to assign Bert Lawyer as the coordinator of officials for the CHAD game, seconded by Councilor Scofield. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Clark mentioned that he needs to put together a proposal for the NHIAA that shows how much time it takes an official to do varsity game, and why football officials should get paid more than officials in other sports. He is looking for help from the council. Commissioner Clark is also looking for an increase in the assigner's fee which has not increased in at least eight years.

Councilor Lafond motioned to accept the Commissioner's report, seconded by Councilor Cherbonneau. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

Awards and Scholarship distributions:

- 1) Division 1: Councilor Cherbonneau stated that it is being presented to Timberlane on March 12th, 2020.
- 2) Division 2: Councilor Lafond stated that he and Councilor Sarette will be presenting it to Sanborn sometime in March. Waiting to hear from Vicky Parady-Guay for a date and time.
- 3) Division 3: Councilor Parslow stated that it is being presented to Monadnock on during a basketball game on a Friday night. Date to be determined.
- 4) Division 4: President-Elect Tracy stated the he and Treasurer Presher presented it to Newfound during their winter carnival kickoff on Monday, February 17th, 2020.

Administration Awards

President Sevigny mentioned that the administration awards are being put together and he will get them once they are complete.

Old Business

- A) Recruitment and Retention Committee: Councilor Scofield has met with Steve Hall and Councilor Lafond to discuss new officials training. Their goal is for apprentices to be ready to take the field when scrimmages begin. They are planning to start classes the first week of July.
- B) Mechanics Committee: Councilor Parslow stated that the committee is proposing that the Umpire lines up under the goal post with the Back judge instead of the wings on a try or field goal inside the 15 yard line. Councilor Parslow is going to put the mechanic in writing and bring it to the next council meeting for a vote.
- C) Uniform Committee: Nothing to report
- D) President's Reception: Treasurer Presher has reserved the Red River Theater for the next president's reception.
- E) Disciplinary Committee: Nothing to report
- F) Background Screening Committee: President Sevigny stated that they are still some apprentices that need background checks.
- G) Social/Bereavement Position: Nothing to report
- H) Circularium and State Meetings Committee: Nothing to report
- I) Scholarship Committee: Nothing to report
- J) Policy and Procedures Committee. Nothing to report
- K) Observation Committee: Councilor Lafond requested help in creating by position on what is required of each position.

New Business

- 1) Treasurer Presher requested to be added to next month's agenda to go over the new budget.
- 2) Councilor Parkin was assigned the assistant chair position.

With there being no additional business to come before the council, Councilor Lafond moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Scofield. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously

Meeting adjourned: 8:02 P.M.

Next council meeting: March 19, 2019 6:00 P.M. Bow High School, Bow, NH