

Meeting Minutes 9/12/18

The meeting was opened by Walt Olsen @ 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. He mentioned the passing of Dave Kramer and that we had a sympathy card on the front table for everyone to sign and then we participated in a moment of silence.

Treasurer's Report -- Janet Laing -- the balance of dues each member will pay directly to Janet will be decided by the Executive Board in a few weeks and an email. Dues next Spring, we will pay \$50 thru the Arbiter for the state, so there will be 2 separate payments, one to State and one to our association.

Opening Balance was \$11,071.71, payment for insurance was 497.97, ending Balance \$10, 563.93.

Motion to accept, Rocky Christopher, 2nd Paul Kane

We had two guest speakers, Bill Bruno and Tony Miceli

Bill Bruno discussed the Drone Policy -- Home schools may fly drones, except for any tournaments, school district will take responsibility and liability.

State Level -- drones will not be allowed

Transgender Policy -- once a student declares in school which gender they are, that's what they will be and that's the gender they will run with. BE CAREFUL regarding any comments.

Tony Miceli -- Heat policy - never intended to cancel

meets, responsibility of AD of host school, along with Athletic Trainer, to meet with official to have a plan on site. AD should be at meet if there is any question regarding weather, this pertains to both indoor and outdoor.

Official Registration -- All registration is going to go thru Arbiter, along with payments via credit card.

Background Checks -- through an Independent company, officials that are flagged, could be a mistake. If you disagree, call dispute report (be very patient, apparently you might be on hold for a while). Once you have the issue cleared up, notify your chapter, ask to be reinstated. The cost will be \$10 per year.

Concussion Test -- not involved in the registration process this year, but will start next year. You will see a badge located under your name on the Arbiter, the assigner will see your badge (concussion test, dues, pass background check) and will know you are able to be assigned meets.

DQ's -- A DQ is a DQ, you cannot pull it once it is filed. There will be no calls taken at the State level to reverse call. DQ will be done online, make sure you have the athletes name (first and last).

Bill spoke again and touched on Sportmanship. New commissioner of Education stressing sportmanship. At the big meets, the announcer will state both prior to the meet and at times during the meet.

Uniform Rule -- from Carl Rickenhauser -- let's not make a federal case, school budgets are slim.

Unified Sports -- if numbers warrant, may add 2 additional state relay events.

Add Sectional Meet around May 13th, a one day event.

Meet of Champions, June 8th, we will continue with the wheelchair events.

Winter Track -- 18 meets

Regarding Donovan Catholic, South Jersey Non Public A&B, still in question due to construction. Don Bosco, meets there depend on whether the AD is staying or leaving.

We are supporting Breast Cancer Awareness, home school can wear pink during October for home events. If there is no designated home school, Bill says let them all run in pink.

Jim McMillan -- Jay sent an email regarding the payment scale for XC meets. \$70 for 2 teams, \$10 each additional team (a team is both boys and girls)

Shore Track and Field Officials, use the website! The Shore Coaches have posted their payments for meets on the website.

There are still 13 people who do not have their badge, make sure you go on Arbiter and check your status, call the help desk if you know you completed all the necessary paperwork.

Fall meets are getting less and less, dual meets have

shrunk. Downsizing means that less officials are needed. Invitationals have stayed the same, 5, all under Shore Track Coaches.

Bring an envelope to all invitationals, that will be used as check-in, payment will be thru Arbiter, along with an explanation of payment.

When an assignment is posted on Arbiter, you have 5 days to respond.

Uniforms, NJSIAA - Shirt is a MUST, blue pants, black shoes and hat

John MacGillivray -- Cadet class this fall, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, starts Monday, October 15th at Holmdel High School for 9 weeks. If you know anyone interested, let them know, cost is \$100 for the class, size limited to 10.

Last note by Walt, Executive Board updating Constitution and By-Laws, available at next meeting 11/06/18

Meeting was adjourned @ 8:07 pm, motion by Rocky and 2nd by Phil Beesley