

Rock River Officials Association

General Membership Meeting Minutes of Sunday, July 31, 2022 ...held at CGH Medical Center - Sterling, IL...

Attendance: 15 members present

Keving CarrollJim DuBoisLes HuisinghJim JecklinJohn KerevenJerry LindseyTim NelsonDave OlingerJon SantosBrad SteinhagenScot SutherlandDave Trueblood

Ken Wilcoxen Gunnar Wuebben Tom Nance

Executive board met at 3:30 PM

I. 5:00pm – General Membership Meeting

A. Call to Order Jim DuBois

Called to order at 5:10 pm

B. Call for New Members Jim DuBois

Motion made by Dave Olinger to approve Peter Lynde; second by Ken Wilcoxen. Carried unanimously

C. Treasurer's Report John Kereven

Balance: \$2161.44 Current roster: 37 members

Motion made to accept report by Ken Wilcoxen; seconded by S. Sutherland. Carried unanimously

D. Secretary's Report Tom Nance

Motion made to accept the minutes of last general membership meeting which were emailed to all members was made by Dave Trueblood; seconded by John Kereven. Carried unanimously

E. Old Business Jim DuBois

1. Educational materials or presentations as a regular feature for our general meetings

Les Huisingh led short discussion on the 5 Ds of being a successful official:

Desire/Dedecation/Deliberation/Determination/Defendable

Jim DuBois will lead a discussion on another general officiating topic

for next general membership meeting.

- 2. IHSA Post Season Assignments: see end of document for complete list of 2021-2022
- 3. RROA Basketball Clinic info: see RROA website for date and time
- F. New Business...... Jim DuBois
 - 1. Executive board meeting notes

Jim DuBois noted that the executive board met to discuss the future of the RROA and brainstorm ideas for possible changes. The declining membership and attendance of meetings was noted. The board will meet again in the spring to determine what specific action, if any, needs to be taken to stabilize the organization or as necessary prepare for dissolution.

2. Board vacancies: At Large, Assignor

As permitted by by-laws, President DuBois appointed Dave Olinger to the At Large vacancy on the executive board and appointed Ken Wilcoxen to the Assignor vacancy with the understanding that the Assignor position would be changed to an At Large position.

3. Recruit and Retain committee update... Tom Nance

Nance noted that the committee had not recently met and that DuBois, Olinger, and Nance had multiple brief presentations to baseball and softball teams during the spring season.

4. IHSA Summer Conference ... Jim DuBois

DuBois reported that the NFHS has goal of stabilizing fees for officials, having better oversite of contests, and promoting positivity about officiating.

5. Future meeting dates.... Tom Nance

See Website and emails previously sent.

- 6. At Large RROA rep appointment- see above.
- 7. Suggestion to conferences on how to handle JV BB/SB games that follow varsity games Jim DuBois
- 8. Assignor for RROA: Bott not returning... Ken Wilcoxen

TRAC 8 schools seem to be doing their own assigning for baseball & softball.

9. Recommendation: allot up to no more than \$100 for snacks for meetings... DuBois No action taken.

10. IHSA "Official of the Year" committee

Les Huisingh, Scot Sutherland, and Jim DuBois volunteered for this committee. Names need to be turned in by October 1.

11. Sport specific leaders are as follows for the 22-23 season:

Football	Ken Wilcoxen	Jon Santos	Les Huisingh
V-ball	Tom Starr	Roger Thinnes	
BSKT-ball	Jim DuBois	Ken Wilcoxen	
Softball	Tom Starr	Dave Olinger	
Baseball	Jim DuBois	Ken Wilcoxen	

G. Other business

H. Motion for adjournment Jim DuBois

Motion to adjourn was made by Dave Olinger, seconded by Brad Steinhagen, Carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at approx. 6:45pm