

NJFOA Shore Chapter Executive Council Meeting August 24, 2020

Location: 1906 Crescent Drive, Wall, NJ

**Present: Bill Van Schoick, Jim Foligno, Anthony Perrelli, Mike Kilmurray ,
Brian Fyfe, Kyle Moberg, Bill Surdovel, Chris Schalnat,**

Absent: Kevin Fleming, Sam Riello, Andrew Rosenbloom

Meeting called to order by President Van Schoick at 640pm. Bill spoke about the recent Solidarity statement released to everyone. He stated he has received several calls for officials with concerns and questions about the statement. Other Council members stated they have received similar questions from members. Mike Kilmurray and Bill Surdovel discussed their attendance at a recent NJFOA meeting discussing the statement and explained that the purpose of the statement was to make officials aware that they may be exposed to a situation at an upcoming game where a team or teams will kneel during the National Anthem. Members need to understand that the NJFOA does not endorse or condemn the kneeling and the officials are to do whatever they feel is appropriate for them. Officials do not need to feel compelled or obligated to also kneel nor do they need to be present during the Anthem if they find out prior to the playing that kneeling will occur. More detailed guidance will be forthcoming.

In Sam Riello's absence, President Van Schoick gave an Assignors Report. After a conversation with Sam earlier in the day, Bill stated that Sam is currently working on the schedules and is trying to keep crews at the same location on the same date but possibly vs a different opponent. No exact date of a schedule release but, per the NJSIAA, the season is being played.

Anthony Perrelli gave a Treasurer's Report. July opening balance of \$18,130.81, no deposits but less expenses of \$1556.06 gives an ending balance of \$16574.75. Motion by Kyle Moberg to approve second by Jim Foligno report approved.

Committee Reports:

Audit: none

Awards :none

Banquet :Jim Foligno reminded all that the Banquet for 2020 has been canceled and Bill Surdovel was to contact the Spring Lake Manor to inform.

Budget: none

Cadets :Chris Schalnat stated there are currently 6 cadets and classes are being conducted virtually by Kevin Fleming. Concern is with possibly no or little football this season, how will Cadets get work on the field.

CBL: Jim Foligno shared with all copies of the proposed changes to both the CBL & Policies as well as the question of electing the assignor. Readings are anticipated to be sent out Sept 15, Oct 1 and voting conducted late October.

Discipline: none

Elections: 1 Trustee position up for election this year

Ethics: none

Mechanics: Discussion surrounding 3-man mechanics. Anthony Perrelli to send out updated positioning.

Officials Rating/Evaluation: Mike Kilmurray to organize a meeting with evaluators soon.

Meetings: After discussion on a motion by Jim Foligno second by Anthony Perrelli, Council approved all in-person meetings for this year have been cancelled. All meetings will be conducted virtually and Bill Surdovel made a motion to approve the purchasing of a subscription for Zoom allowing for up to 200 members and unlimited time, approved by Anthony Perrelli approved by Council.

Wellness: Brian Fyfe stated a fruit basket to Andrew Rosenbloom and James Slyke have been sent recently.

Bill Surodvel spoke about conducting a State Interpretation meeting for members. Decision was made to do meeting virtually on Weds., Sept 2nd, 7pm.

Bill Surdovel also discussed a letter sent on behalf of the NJFOA to the NJSIAA concerning Officials Requests for the upcoming season. It is expected answer was to come by the weekend regarding the requests and all members would receive notification.

President Van Schoick stated that after these requests are approved by the NJSIAA and sent to all schools, both he and Jim Foligno will be meeting with the Shore Conference to discuss compliance.

Other general items discussed:

Currently, 5 officials have decided to go inactive for the upcoming year: Ikie Calderon, Provenzano, Slyke, Surgot and Schwartz.

Dues for 2021 were discussed and it was decided o table until a future meeting once we know a 2020 season has started.

With nothing else to discuss, meeting was closed at 8:48pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Foligno, Jr. NJFOA Shore Chapter 1st VP