

# CMT&FOA Minutes



**Thursday, March 11, 2021  
7:00 P.M.**

1. **Approval of the Minutes from 12/10/2020** – motion made to accept, seconded and passed unanimously.
2. **Financial Update** – presented by Pete Zona. Current balance \$12,344.38. Motion made to accept financial report, seconded, and passed unanimously.
3. **Current Dues/Paying Members Update** – update provided by Charlie Butterfield. Currently 50 members have paid dues to date. Fee schedules have been set through 2023-24:

**X-C** - 2021-22, \$81; 2022-23, \$82; 2023-24, \$83

**Indoor/Outdoor** - 2021-22, \$87; 2022-23, \$90; 2023-24, \$93

Discussion then went to a recommendation for a dues increase, since historically, our dues mirror the dual meet fee. Prior to having a vote, a review of Item 4 became necessary.

4. **Arbiter Enrollment Liability Insurance** – with 50 members paid, we will submit 47 individuals for liability insurance (3 of the 50 have already purchased liability insurance directly from Arbiter). Arbiter will set up a field for Chris to see that indicates which members have liability insurance. It was strongly stated that without this insurance in place, members should not be assigned to any meet. Those who miss this submission, but wish to officiate this spring, will still have the opportunity to purchase liability insurance directly from Arbiter at this link:  
<https://aoa.arbitersports.com/>.
- a. One of our challenges moving forward is to get all members to pay dues prior to the start of the Fall season even if they only intend to officiate indoor or outdoor. We are unique in that we have the opportunity to officiate three seasons during the school calendar year, while most other sports that require officials have only one season per calendar year. Discussion then turned to how best to address this issue moving forward. It was decided that our By-Laws should be reviewed, and recommendations for modifications should be brought forward at our next meeting in October. A sub-committee made up of Jeff Wayman, Charlie

Butterfield, Anthony Estaphan, Bob Pereira, and Jeremy Nute was established to handle this task.

- b. A motion was made to set dues for 2021-22 at \$87, with the understanding that this will be for one year only. Membership will then have the opportunity to hear out the report from the By-Laws sub-committee in October related to a dues structure, and a “drop dead” date, for future membership enrollment. The motion was seconded, and passed unanimously.
  5. Indoor Track – there may be meets, based on those schools that are fielding teams. It will be up to the A.D.’s to secure officials for these meets.
  6. Outdoor Track – season will begin on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Spring protocols have been approved by the MIAA, and will be included as an attachment along with these Minutes.
  7. Upcoming College Meets
    - a. Fitchburg State University is hosting a meet on Saturday, April 10th, interested officials should contact Jim Jellison directly at: [jjellison@fitchburgstate.edu](mailto:jjellison@fitchburgstate.edu). Jim reported out that only MASCAC teams will attend (4 schools). The meet will have men in the morning, and women in the afternoon. Compensation will be generous, with food provided between sessions. Primary protocol will be the need to wear a mask. Gloves will be available. All implements, etc., will be “wiped down”, and no official should have to handle any implement/equipment.
    - b. The College of the Holy Cross is having three, single gender tri-meets on Wednesday, April 7, April 14, and April 21. Dave Wilbur will be handling and can be contact at: [davdiwilbur@charter.net](mailto:davdiwilbur@charter.net), or at: [wilburdavid@msn.com](mailto:wilburdavid@msn.com).
  8. Officials of the Year – we did have some members officiate in the Fall. We’ll look for nominations for that season from “the floor”. Two nominations were made for X-C: Jeff Wayman nominated Chris Woods; Anthony Estaphan nominated Pete McCauliff.
  9. Nomination of sub-committee for 2021-2022 Officer elections – a sub-committee was formed made up of Pete McCauliff (Chair), along with Jeff Wayman, Dave Ulf, and John Fitzgerald, to submit nominees at our October meeting.
  10. Other
    - a. A question arose about accessing Rules Books. It was stated that they can be accessed/purchased online. A reminder that we are still using the 2019-20 Rules Book for this school year. Those wishing to access Rules Books can do so at: <https://www.nfhs.org/articles/rules-books-and-case-books-available-as-e-books/>
- Motion made to adjourn at 8:05 p.m., seconded, and passed unanimously.
- Next Meeting – Thursday, October 14th, 7:00 P.M.

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