

MBUA

Meeting Minutes

February 28, 2016

** President Gaitane called the meeting to order at 10 AM*

** Secretaries Report minutes 1/10/16 Martinelli/Chabot Approved*

** Treasurers Report Myles/Caron Approved*

** Correspondence Toto's letter from Greater Lawrence Scholarship \$500 donation approved (Martinelli, Andrade, Gaitane)*

** GOC March 14 Baseball Cmt. March 16*

Process for qualifying umpires questions Bentson will speak with GOC on 3/14 (Duffy, Fredericks)

Fee increase suggestion to MIAA (Stelluto, Fredericks, Gaitane)

Recruiting and maintaining umpires issues - How with fees? (Gaitane, Newton)

DH and Fake Tag discussion for tournament - Baseball Cmt. matter on 3/14 - nothing in "Blue Book" - North Shore and Greater Berkshire openly opposed to either DH or Fake Tag changes (Carroll, Reilly, Clews, Gaitane, Andrade, Fredericks)

** Old Business*

2017 will see a \$2 increase in fees (Gaitane, Fredericks)

Icon on Arbiter to show "Member In Good Standing" issues with anyone joining a board for any sport although not a certified umpire MIAA / GOC matter (Rabideau, Newton, Carroll, Martinelli, Peters)

MBUA Rule Booklet incorporate all modifications available to MBUA

and at cost to others Clews to work on modifications (Rabideau, Gaitane, Clews, Peters)

MBUA April Rosters from each association due on April 1 (Andrade, Reilly, Rabideau, Levine, Gaitane)

** New Business*

Bill McCallum presentation for NEBUC Membership - 18% discount for membership - \$30 off goods for board presentation - \$25 for new candidates - 3 drawings for free Gerry Davis goods

May 15 or May 22 possible additional meeting - rule changes / discussion to remain the same and change next year / timing is late / MIAA decision (Gaitane, Carroll, Duffy, Newton, Clews)

** Adjourn 11:15AM Martinelli/Reilly Approved*

Interpreters Meeting commenced at 11:30

**Foot in box*

**601 I - Reasonable judgement in runner accessing home plate and just cause*

** 603.4 Illegal Bat - "uses or attempts to use"*

** Home Plate collision video provided by Joe Peters*

** Strike Zone - above belt / find strike zone pitches*

** Plate mechanic suggestions*

** Philosophy and causative effect - pointing is a call - wait to see what the affect is*

** Balks*

** Adjourn 12:10 Teehan/Byrne Approved*

Bryan Andrade Sec/Treas, MBUA

Attendance

Cape Cod - Rabideau, Teehan

Central - D'Angelo, J. Byrne

Eastern - Myles, Clews, Riordan

GBerkshire - Singleton, Reilly, Haile

GLawrence - Martinelli

GLowell - J. Hansbury, M. Byrne

Merimack Valley - Chabot

North Central - Boudreau, Stelluto, Racine, Cutting, Cataldo

North Shore - Carroll, Newton, Caron

Southern - Crossman, Quimby, Fredericks

Southeastern - Vieira, Rose, Andrade

South Shore - Peters, Duffy

Worcester - Levine, Vantre, Sr., Martin, Gaitane