VHSSUA MINUTES OF 2008 ANNUAL BUSINES MEETING

3/16/08 Spaulding High School Barre, VT

- 1. President Dennis Fallon called the meeting to order.
- 2. Introduced himself and other newly elected officers for the 2008-09 season.
- 3. a. Past President Carleton Laird
 - b. V-P Wayne Straiton
 - c. Sec/Trea Steve Martin
- 4. Approval of past minutes. Correction of minutes on pay scale.
 - a. 2008- \$55
 - b. 2009-\$65
 - c. 2010-\$75
 - d. Motion made and seconded to approve minutes as amended. Motion Passed.
- 5. Treasurer's report presented and discussed. Motion made to approve as submitted and seconded, motion passed.
- 6. District Voted on new members for two years term for 2008-09 season.
 - a. Dist #1 Dave Wilkins, Tim Hartwell.
 - b. Dist #2 Gerald Baily, Dave Spernault.
 - c. Dist #3 Dick Long, Curly Worden.
 - d. Dist #4 CG Powers, Pat Roach.
 - e. Dist #5 Paul Lackey, Lynn Ribolini.
 - f. Dist #6 Rod Conley, Don T Myers.
 - g. Dist #7 Milt Sanderson, Steve Marro.
- 7. Reminder made to members to send in rating sheets by Memorial Day to assignors
- 8. Discussion on scholarship program. Consensus of members for board to continue looking into formation of a scholarship program.
- 9. Discussions ensued on proposed Bylaw changes.
- 10. Proposed Bylaw change #1: Article V Section Nine
- 11. 1. Current Text: Compensation and Expenses. Director shall be compensated annually for services rendered to the organization reimbursed as Director in an amount equal to one year's membership dues. Expenses incurred by Directors may be to the extent authorized by the board. The President and clinician and Secretary/Treasurer shall be compensated an amount voted upon by the Board of Directors.

- a. Proposed Text: Expenses incurred by Directors may be reimbursed to the extent authorized by the board. The President, Vice President, Secretary Treasurer, and Clinician/Interpreter shall be compensated an amount voted upon by the Board of Directors.
- b. Motion made and seconded to approve by-law change as proposed. Motion passed.

12. Proposed Bylaw Change #2: Article IV

- 13. Current Text: Dues and assessments. No member shall be liable to the organization for any dues, subscriptions or assessments of any kind except as he or she may agree to at such time as an annual membership application is filed with the organization. Each member shall pay annual dues as established by the Board of Directors. Dues becomes payable by the annual clinic.
- a. Proposed Text: No member shall be liable to the organization for any dues, subscriptions or assessments of any kind except as he or she may agree to at such time as an annual membership application is file with the organization.
- b. Each member shall pay annual dues by July 1st for the following year, unless exempt. First year officials are exempt from paying dues for the first year.
- c. Dues should be made payable to the VHSSUA and should be mailed to the Secretary/Treasurer, whose address may be found on the VHSSUA website at www.vtsoftballumps.com
 - d. The amount of dues shall be one varsity game fee for the pertinent year.
- e. Failure to pay dues by July 1st incurs a ten-dollar fee. Failure to pay dues by November 1st incurs an additional ten-dollar fee.
 - f. Motion made and seconded to approve by-law change as proposed, motion passed.

15. Proposed Bylaw Change #3: Article V Section Eight

16 Current Text:

a. Special Meetings, Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held from time to time upon call issued by the President, or by any four Directors. Written notice of the time and place of each special meeting shall be delivered personally to all Directors or sent to each by facsimile or letter, addressed to his or her address shown on records of the organization or as otherwise actually known by the Secretary. If notice is mailed or faxed, it shall constitute sufficient notice if it is delivered to the above address not less than twenty-four hours prior to the time of holding the meeting.

b. Proposed Text:

c. Specials Meetings of the Board of Directors shell be held from time to time upon issued by the President or by any four Directors. Written notice of the time and place of each special meeting shall be delivered personally to all Directors or sent to each by facsimile, e-mail, or letter, addressed to his or her address shown on the records of the organizations or as otherwise actually known by the Secretary. If notice in mailed, e-mailed or faxed, it shall constitute sufficient notice if it is

- delivered to the above address not less than twenty-four hours prior to the time of the holding of the meeting.
- d. Motion made and seconded to approve by-law change as proposed. Motion Passed.

14. Proposed Bylaw Change #4: Article IX

18. Current Text:

a. The organization's Bylaws may be amended at any general meeting of VHSSUA by a majority vote, providing that the amendments have been submitted in writing to all members a minimum of seven (7) days prior to such meeting. Clarification or Typographical changes, which do not create a material change, will be made by the Board of Directors without formal amendment. VPA imposed changes will be cause for automatic adoption and/or amendment by the Board of Directors.

b. Proposed Text:

- c. The organization's Bylaws may be amended at any general meeting of VHSSUA by a majority vote, proving that the amendments have been submitted in wrting be facsimile, e-mail, or letter to all members a minimum of seven (7) days prior to such meeting. Clarification or Typographical changes that do not create a material change will be made by the Board of Directors without formal amendment. VPA imposed changes will be cause for automatic adoption and /or amendment by the Board of Directors.
- d. Motion was made and seconded to approve by-law change as purposed. Motion Passed.
- 19. Proposed Bylaw Change #5: Article III Section One
- 20. Current Text:
 - a None

21. Proposed Text:

- b. Should a prospective member not attend a VHSSUA sponsored NFHS clinic, he or she may attend an approved NFHS clinic in another state to satisfy this VPA requirement. A letter from the leadership of the organization sponsoring the clinic, confirming the prospective member's attendance, must be sent to the VHSSUA Secretary/Treasurer.
- c. Should a prospective member be unable to attend any NFHS clinic, he or she may petition the Board of Directors for a wavier. Such waivers are decided on a case-by-case basis.
- d. Failure of a member to attend a sponsored NFHS clinic results in that member being ineligible for post season work.
- e. Motion made and seconded to approve amended Bylaw cross out VHSSUS on (D). Motion Passed.
- 22. Proposed Bylaw Change#6 Article III Section Three
- 23. Current Text:

a.None

- 24. Proposed Text:
- a. It is the responsibility of each member to fill out a rating form for their partner after each game and submit them to their assignors prior to Memorial Day. Failure to do so results in that member being ineligible for postseason work.
- 25. b. Motion made and seconded to approve bylaw as proposed. Motion Passed.
- 26. Proposed Bylaw Change #7 Article V Section One
- 27. Current Text:
 - a. President
 - b. Secretary
 - c. Treasurer
 - d. Two members elected by each district;

Proposed Text:

- a. Immediate Past President;
- b. President:
- c. Vice President;
- d. Secretary/Treasurer
- e. Clinician/Interpreter;
- f. Two members elected by each district, exclusive of those members that might hold the positions of the immediate Past President, President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer and the Clinician/Interpreter.
- 28. Motion made and seconded to approve bylaws as proposed. Motion Passed.
- 29. Thanks to retiring Secretary/Treasurer Joan Hungerford, plaque was given.
- 30. Thanks to retiring President Carleton Laird, plaque was given.
- 31. President invited all assignors to give input for the development of future job description.
- 32. Motion was made to change agenda with the Businesses meeting to follow the clinic.
- 33. Motion was made and seconded. Motion Not Passed.
- 34. Motion made and seconded to adjourn. Motion passed at 100%

Respectfully Submitted

Stephen Martin