



**Minutes of the Regular Membership Meeting  
Of Litchfield Board # 7 of the IAABO  
Sunday, December 8, 2024  
Fairview Farm Golf Course - Harwinton, CT**

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM by President Jim Luchsinger. Attendance was taken and a quorum was present.

Jim mentioned minutes for the Interpretation Meeting were emailed to the membership. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Steve Kolitz, seconded by Rick Pinkerton, and the motion was unanimously passed.

Interpreter Charley Harbach announced the answers and rules for the refresher exam are on the website. If you have any questions, please reach out to Charley. Charley went on to give a detailed presentation on the new rules for the 24-25 season, along with other recent rule changes. Charley also reviewed certain plays with the membership and the differences between the prep vs. federation rules. The presentation and more details can be found on our website [IAABO7.org](http://IAABO7.org).

Secretary-Treasurer Bob Ferrarotti gave a verbal report of the board's treasury. Jim Lariccia made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Ed Lasky, and the motion was unanimously passed. Bob announced that the board raised \$4,500 for the American Cancer Society which is great. He went on to thank Tom Santos and Jon Tarrant for their efforts in leading this initiative.

Commissioner Ted Zaloski reminded everyone to update their availability in the Arbiter. If any official has questions regarding assignments or arbiter issues, they should email Ted. If any new officials have any questions, they should reach out to Ted.

John Wrenn reminded everyone of the procedure for the Sportsmanship Awards, balloting will take place towards the end of the season. John also discussed the Paul Bourdeau Scholarship information. Applications are due by February 15<sup>th</sup> and the application is on our website.

Jim Lariccia of the Better Officiating Committee reported that all officials are invited to participate in the meetings held 1 hour before every regular meeting and reminded the first and second year officials that it is mandatory for them to attend. Jim said this morning's meeting was well attended and they discussed pre-game, how to be a better official, mechanics and some other things.

Vice-President Chris Bunel reminded the membership to reach out to him if anyone is interested in being evaluated and mentored. Chris's contact information is on the website.

Members were reminded of the next meeting (annual meeting) on Sunday, January 5, 2025 at Fairview Farm GC. The Better Officiating and BOD will meet at 9 AM followed by the Annual Meeting at 10 AM. The raffle was held and the meeting adjourned at 12:06 PM.