



**Minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting  
Of Litchfield Board # 7 of the IAABO  
Sunday, January 5, 2025  
Fairview Farm Golf Course - Harwinton, CT**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by President Jim Luchsinger. Attendance was taken and a quorum was present.

Rich Falencki apologized to the group for the missing donuts last meeting. He'll ensure to work with and have better communication with our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President on his roles and duties.

Secretary-Treasurer Bob Ferrarotti gave a verbal report of the board's treasury. Jeff Dombrowski made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Ed Lasky, and the motion was unanimously passed.

Art Hamm recognized Bob Ferrarotti and his IAABO milestone achievement.

Asst Commissioner Aaron Lefkowski reminded everyone to reach out to Ted if Arbiter overrides your blocked dates with an assignment. At this point, it's an arbiter glitch and is being looked into. Also, games will be assigned for the rest of January.

Annual nominations were presented. Ed Alicia was nominated for 2<sup>nd</sup> VP. All other BOD will remain the same for another 2-year term.

Interpreter Charley Harbach reviewed moving screens with the membership as well as reiterated how court positioning and relying on your partner is critical. Avoid calling through defenses and don't guess on calls.

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 went over game management with players, coaches, situations.

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.

President Jim Luchsinger reminded how to gain access to the IAABO website and how to navigate pages as well as reminded everyone to use the new disqualification reports.

Jim presented 2024-2025 new fee alignment. Dues will stay the same at \$140. Game assessment fees will be 8% (was 7%). John Torant motioned to accept, Bob Brinchman 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.

Jim also addressed school official room policies, specifically Lakeview. More to come. Also any game fees exceeding 30 days, please contact Ted.

Members were reminded of the next meeting on Sunday, January 19, 2025 at Fairview Farm GC. The Better Officiating and BOD will meet at 9 AM followed by the Membership Meeting at 10 AM. The raffle was held and the meeting adjourned at 12:06 PM.