

**WEST COAST OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION, INC.
BASKETBALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES**



Meeting Date: January 14, 2024
Type of Meeting: Board of Directors Meeting – Open to Members
Meeting Location: Zoom Meeting Link
Present: Eric Sperbeck, Bernard Grimsley, Rodney Dickerson, Jerome Smith, Josh Saunders, Michael Corpening, Herbert McCloud, Carl Erickson,
Absent: None
Guest(s): Mike Varnadore – Election Process

- I. The meeting was called to order by Eric.
- I. Eric expressed the main purpose of tonight’s meeting is the elections. He wanted to go through some housekeeping items before discussing elections.
 - a. Members need to make sure they are checking Arbiter, emails, and other correspondence.
 - b. Accept assignments on time and confirm games with partners.
 - c. Ensure any situation requiring an AT6 is communicated to Eric immediately after the game.
 - d. Eric expressed appreciation for the improvement in communications. People are accepting games timelier and taking care of their business responsibilities.
- II. Elections – Nominating Process:
 - a. Eric introduced Mike Varnadore to review the nomination process.
 - b. 3 positions are open for election.
 - i. One Basketball Rep at Large – Currently held by Hubert McCloud
 - ii. Two Basketball Sports Rep – Currently held by Josh Sanders and Mike Corpening..
 - c. Nominees may provide statements and photos that will be on the ballots and on the WCOA website.
 - d. The voting process will be emailed to members through Election Buddy. Votes will be cast electronically.
 - e. Mike requested that nominations be made through the “chat window” on the Zoom Meeting link. Verbal nominations were also accepted by members.
 - f. Mike began the formal nomination meeting by reading a script outlining the details of the process.

- g. The following nominations for open positions were formally received and accepted by the nominee:
 - i. Basketball Member at Large:
 - 1. Hubert McCloud – (Nominated by the Election Committee)
 - 2. Romero Greene
 - 3. Sally Scribner
 - ii. Basketball Sports Representative:
 - 1. Josh Saunders
 - 2. Richard Miller
 - 3. Chuck Gould
 - 4. Mike Connor
 - iii. Mike formally closed the nomination process with a motion and second.
 - iv. Mike congratulated the candidates and informed them of the opportunity to submit a photo and candidate statement that will be shared with members.
 - v. There will be a two-week voting period after ballots are sent.
 - vi. A question arose about posting statements on the WCOA Facebook page. Mike stated that the board would have to decide whether to allow nominees to post on Facebook.
 - vii. Mike closed the nomination process.
 - viii. Mike reminded nominees that no changes can be made to their photo or statement after the ballots have been created.
- h. Eric requested feedback from nominees on whether they wanted in person meetings or zoom to allow time to communicate with members. It was agreed that Zoom would be used.

III. Miscellaneous:

- a. A member asked when the next round of games will be released. Carl Erickson stated that Hillsborough games have not been released yet and games would be posted accordingly. Carl communicated to members that Hillsborough County holds a tournament during the last part of the season and games are not determined in advance.
- b. A member asked about the “patched shirt” and wanted to know where he can get clarification. A past email was shared with the member to provide clarification.

Eric ended the meeting and the meeting adjourned.

NEXT MEETING

To be determined

PREPARED BY

Steve Lanham, Secretary