

**Jackson Area Officials Association
Board Meeting – January 11, 2009
Big 9 Sportsman Club**

Meeting called to order at 10:05 am.

Members present: Bruce Keeling, Greg Putra, Chuck Sprang, Kent Sanborn, Chuck Walters,
Mike Ogden, Karen Anderson, John Southwick, Mary Anne Papiersky
Member absent: Chris Adams

Kent Sanborn motioned to accept Bruce Keeling resignation as President of the Association.
Greg Putra second, motion carried.
Chuck Sprang motioned to nominate Mary Anne Papiersky as President of the Association.
Greg Putra second, motion carried.

A list to update phone numbers and email addresses of Board members was circulated.

Discussion concerning By-Law change for appointments to newly named Coordinator position.

Presently the by-Laws read that the membership will elect four members of the Association each year to the JAOA Board. From this election, the elected members will be assigned positions as trainers for the five sports sponsored the JAOA.

The proposed By-Law change would have the membership of the JAOA elect a President, Treasurer, Secretary and a Member At Large to an Executive Board. Members would be placed on a ballot by a nominating committee to run for one of the four positions. The President and Treasurer would be elected in even numbered years and the Secretary and Member At Large would be elected in the odd numbered years. The term of office would be two years.

The proposed By-Law change would allow the Executive Board to appoint a Coordinator as the person responsible for the training at each meeting for each sport sponsored by the JAOA. Each sport would then elect a representative from their group sport to be a member of the JAOA Board of Directors. ie.. Football would elect a football person, basketball would elect a basketball person, baseball would elect a baseball person, softball would elect a softball person and volleyball would elect a volleyball person. Elections for these positions would be held for Football-Volleyball-Softball in even number years and Baseball and Basketball elections would be held in odd number years. The term of office would be two years.

The JAOA Board would be President, Treasurer, Secretary, Member At Large and one member elected by each sport.

Bruce Keeling motioned to approve the By-Law changes.

Greg Putra second, motion carried.

Nominating Committee would be made up of Tom Crampton, Greg Putra and Mike Ogden.

Nominations are due by February 28, 2009.

A ballot will be placed on the website at www.jaoa.net.

The ballot will be mail to Greg Putra along with your application to renew JAOA dues. Greg Putra will forward to Tom Crampton who will count the ballots. All ballots must be received by April 15, 2009. April 15, 2009 is also the date for renewal of JAOA dues.

Greg Putra stated that joint memberships with other Associations has become an administrative hardship due to late registrations and a number of small checks being sent, returned, not cashed and various other concerns.

Bruce Keeling motioned to discontinue joint memberships.

Kent Sanborn second, motion carried.

Bruce Keeling mentioned that the Scholarship in the name of Art Willard is holding a golf outing on June 22, 2009 at Arbor Hills. Cost for the outing is \$110.00 per player and more information will be available in the near future. The JAOA contributes \$1000.00 each year for a five year term to this Scholarship. This will eventually lead to an Endowed Scholarship at Jackson Community College.

Discussion concerning the JAOA offering two (one male-one female) \$500.00 Scholarships to JCC. It was discussed and decided that more information is needed and this was tabled until the next meeting. We would like to make sure the money goes to a student in need of financial aid and will have members of the Board talk with agencies to help us achieve this goal.

Kent Sanborn moved that we proceed with the planning of a family picnic at Michigan International Speedway of Friday Jun 26, 2009.

John Southwick second, motion carried.

Greg Putra provided a Treasurers report and explained the new format.

Mary Ann Papiersky stated she was excited to be the President of the JAOA and asked that everyone let her know their concerns. She stated she is open to any type of help that we are willing to provide and she will have many questions as we move in to the future.

No comments were addressed during the round table for each sport.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am

Submitted by,
Chuck Sprang