



**Board of Directors Meeting
October 25, 2023**

FULL BOARD MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order at 11:115am.
2. Attendance: Members present – Tom Arria, Dan Baurer, Nicole Bottomley, Dave Bouchard, Brian Callaghan, Charlie Conefrey, Keith Crowley, Deb Davis, Adam Federico, John Harrison, Katherine Hennessy, Liz Legault, Pat Mara, Mark Miville, Jim Quatromoni, Stacey Rizzo, Eric Scott, Dan Shine, Gordon Smith, Mark Sullivan, Stephanie Sibley, Billy Terranova, Christine Vigneux, and Linsey von Holtz.
3. Minutes of the September 21, 2023 board meeting were approved.
4. Tom Arria, Finance Committee Chair reported on their meeting. Bob Baldwin and Sherry Bryant have started work on next year’s budget. The audit is almost complete, reports will be provided at the December meeting. Planning continues in regards to dedicated revenue, including stability fund, capital planning and scholarships. Monthly financials are in line year to date. Legal fees are on part with budgeted funds, however, will likely run over budget.
5. Executive Director Report:
 - a. Standards Based approach for assessing the quality of athletic programs. Bob reported discussions are still taking place. Requests have been made from membership as to the interest in the program. A pilot program is in the works. A presentation will be made at the MASC/MASS Joint Conference as well as the NFHS Summer Conference.
 - b. Media Day was held on October 18, 2023. The purpose of this meeting is to continue to build relationships with media outlets and receive feedback from media on ways to improve site management and transparency.
6. Executive Director Bob Baldwin provided a presentation to members in regard to MIAA Governance update (see attached).
7. Fall Statewide Tournament. Power rankings have been forwarded to membership twice per week. The bracket release schedule will be communicated to all members next week. Sites have been determined for most sports. Jim Clark and Sherry Bryant spoke about over scheduling and forfeits and updated members on the process.

8. Fall District Workshop topics included:
 - a. Membership access to NFHS rule books. The Association is working on a solution with NFHS.
 - b. Universal cut-of dates – discussions resulted in keeping them the same as it would not work for the entire state due to weather, sections, etc.
 - c. Reinstatement of Division 1A tournaments – A summary will be drafted and forwarded to membership through the Executive Director update.
9. Members received via email a new membership application for New Heights Charter School of Brockton. All necessary paperwork and fees have been received. Approved unanimously.
10. Sister Association communications/report:
 - a. MSSADA – preparation continues for the National and Annual conference.
 - b. MASC – busy preparing conference next month.
 - c. M.A.S.S. – busy preparing conference next month. Working on partnership with Northeastern in regards to DEI initiatives. Webinar Series are available discussion DEI topics.
 - d. MSAA – Board members were selected through a ballot process this year. The first Board of Directors meeting will take place tomorrow followed by a panel of state leaders open to all members.
11. Motion by roll call to enter into Executive Session and end meeting: Tom Arria, Dan Baurer, Nicole Bottomley, Dave Bouchard, Deb Davis, Brian Callaghan, Charlie Conefrey, Keith Crowley, Adam Federico, John Harrison, Katherine Hennessy, Liz Legault, Pat Mara, Mark Miville, Jim Quatromoni, Stacey Rizzo, Eric Scott, Dan Shine, Gordon Smith, Mark Sullivan, Stephanie Sibley, Billy Terranova, Christine Vigneux, and Linsey von Holtz.