NIAGARA DISTRICT BASKETBALL REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

Member Ontario Association of Basketball Officials I.A.A.B.O. Board No. 192

2013-2014 BASKETBALL SEASON

Please note DATE and INSTRUCTIONS about ${\bf DUES}$, ${\bf MEETING\ DATES}$, ${\bf EXAMS}$, ${\bf TRAINING\ for\ New\ Applicants}$.

FIRST GENERAL MEETING OF THE 2013-2014 Season.

Date: MONDAY, September 09, 2013

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Notre Dame Catholic School, 64 Smith St., Welland. Cafeteria.

AGENDA: Federation Rule Changes, any 2-person Manual changes, Points of Emphasis, Overview for Officials

EXAMS: All current members will be e-mailed the Federation Rule Changes. There will be **TWO THEORY EXAMS** this season, one on Federation Rules will be distributed at the Sept. meeting and is due back at the **Oct. 8th** meeting and the other on FIBA Rules to be done online, dates determined by CABO/OABO.

Active/full members in good standing may apply to write IAABO exam to qualify for IAABO membership for the first time. Apply in writing to Executive **by mid Oct. 2013**. Fee is \$40.00, exam on Federation Rules, to be written under Very Controlled Conditions on Nov.6, 2013.

MEMBERSHIP DUES, payable to "NDBRA" to Treas. Mike Shara at meeting or send to Mike at 42 West Farmington Dr., St. Catharines ON L2S 3S3. If you plan to pay by cash please put it in an envelope with your name and amount on front.

I <u>Current Members</u> - **DOWNPAYMENT of \$100.00 on Dues** is to be paid <u>on or before **Sept.09, 2013**</u> or NO game assignments. Under Constitution, any declaration of Inactive status by current active members must be made by the Sept.09 meeting; if made later, the Executive will determine at the time of declaration the amount of regular fees (NDBRA, OABO-CABO-Insurance, IAABO) which must be paid.

Balance of remaining Dues (including insurance premium) payable at **Nov.6** meeting.

Active & Provisional (2nd year) Annual Dues - \$150 or \$190 (for IAABO)

- **\$75 NDBRA** Fee (includes floor test)
- + \$75.00 OABO/CABO/INSURANCE/Canada BB, "The Whistle" newsletter
- + \$40.00 IAABO Dues for IAABO members (2014-15) and 3-person and playoff game eligibility.

Associate/Inactive - \$15.00 NDBRA (due Sept.9); \$40.00 IAABO, where applicable (due Nov.6)

II New Applicants - \$125.00 Training/OABO fee (includes OABO Associate, Insurance & Whistle)

- \$100 payable Sept.9 or at first clinic Sept. 12 2013
- \$ 25.00 balance due Nov.6, 2013.
- \$40.00 NDBRA dues (includes floor test fee) due Jan. 7. 2014

<u>3-PERSON TECHNIQUE</u> sessions to be held following the October and November General Meetings. MANDATORY for eligibility to be assigned to ANY 3-person game AT ANY LEVEL and to ANY NIAGARA COLLEGE GAME (Men & Women). Only panel members are exempt.

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AVAILABILITY: Bring your availability schedule to first meeting or log on to The Arbiter. If unable to attend, let Guy know when you are available, especially if working irregular hours.

<u>National & Provincial Tournaments</u>. Members wishing to be considered for nomination to these tournaments must <u>make application by Oct. General Meeting</u>. Criteria: Able to travel mid-week in Nov. Mar. and Aug. with tournaments being at highly competitive level, must be IAABO member, plus completion of certain theory exams, with sufficient passing grade required for the different levels. Application form available from Sandy Forand or on web site.

<u>GENERAL MEETING DATES</u> (mark on your calendar NOW) - Mon.Sept.9, Tues.Oct.8, Wed.Nov. 6 Mon.Dec.3, Tues.Jan.7 2014, Wed.Feb.5, Mon.Mar.3 with Annual General Meeting in May.

EXCUSES for absence from General Meetings must be made **beforehand** to any Executive member except the Assigning Officer. **FINES will be applied** for missed meetings without notification and members are to note the new requirements to attend a **minimum of 5** Meetings throughout the season.

TRAINING & EDUCATIONAL SCHEDULE FOR NEW APPLICANTS

Theory: Rules and Technique Time: 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

Dates: Thursdays, Sept.12, 19, Oct.3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov.7, 2013.

Place: Fonthill United Church Lower Hall, 42 Church Hill, Fonthill. Parking at rear (west side) of

building. Enter by west door, lower level.

Practical: to be announced. Uniform requirements: information at first clinic.

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS of the NDBRA for 2013-2014, are:

President - Ryan Bissonnette, Welland - 905-246-7358 Vice-President - Jim Spitali, Burlington - 289-337-3881 Interpreter - Sandy Forand, Welland - 905-735-9295 Assigning Officer - Guy Caporicci, Niagara Falls - 905-354-1989; (Work-905-688-0864-226) Secretary/Treasurer - Mike Shara, St.Catharines - 905-682-6935 Education Officer - Brad Bissonnette, Welland - 905-735-0810 Advisory - Nick Borich, Niagara Falls - 905-932-0918 Advisory - Doug Helmkay, Fonthill - 905-892-1625 Advisory - Ron Valente, St. Catharines - 289-690-2529

Canadian edition of IAABO Handbook, containing Federation Rulebook, Casebook and IAABO 2-Person Manual will not likely arrive until after Sept.9, EVERY CURRENT MEMBER, (IAABO & non-IAABO) plus Inactive IAABO members should note that this is the official Federation set for OABO officials, so please **KEEP last year's books** until new ones arrive. FIBA books containing Rules, 2-person, 3-person, Interpretations, and CABO Casebook will also arrive at the same time. Those that ordered both will pay an additional \$25.

OABO Seminar & AGM, Sept. 13-15, Belleville, ON hosted by Quinte Board. We may have 3 voting delegates to AGM. Planning to attend are: Sandy Forand, Ryan Bissonnette, Guy Caporicci and Brad Bissonnette.

Please advise Secretary of any **CHANGES** in address, phone or email address.