**RBWLO Post-Season Meeting**  
**Tuesday, June 9, 2015**  
**Eddie O’Brien’s, Farmington, NY**

Present: Steve Simons, Beth Angus, Kevin Droomgoole, Paul Wood, Jill McCabe, MaryLynn Siciliano, Joe Siciliano, Heather Major, Gabe Coffey, Valerie Bueger, Joseph Marhatta, Francesco Marino, Robert Fisher, John Natti, Vince Bonetti, David Weaver, Don Smith, Chris Pessagno, MJ Vrooman, Jason Brightful, Chris Iorillo, Ellen Fanning, Jen Dreywood, Colleen Spiegelhoff, Shannon Kelly

Meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm by Don Smith.

Motion to approve minutes from the April 26, 2015 mid-season meeting was made by John Natti and seconded by Shannon Kelly (after Dave Weaver noted that the year on the meeting minutes was incorrect), with the correction regarding the date noted.

Ballots were distributed to vote for USL Chapter Representative and Sub-Assignor positions. Paul Wood and Jill McCabe offered to serve as co-Chapter Representatives. The election results were as follows:

Chair: Colleen Spiegelhoff  
Chair-Elect: Ellen Fanning  
Sportsmanship Coordinator: Steve Simons  
College Board Representative: Steve Simons  
Member at Large: Refik Nuhanovic  
USL – Rochester Chapter Representatives: Paul Wood and Jill McCabe  
Sub Assignor: Don Smith

Don Smith suggested that all officials check the website for upcoming summer tournaments to register to officiate.

Steve Simons reported that the Muddy Buddies event raised $1200+. Coordinator was very appreciative for our participation.

Regarding the Sportsmanship Survey, the voting was close but Fairport won. Steve explained the award and how it honors former official Bob Carpenter. The award was given to Fairport at the Section V finals and many players were there to receive it.

Chris Pessagno reported that some officials are still in need of service credits. Chris will contact those people via email.

Paul Wood asked why attending the USL Convention is not eligible for service. Executive committee will reevaluate this option at a future date.

MJ Vrooman reported on current ratings. 18 ratings were conferred this season, 18 ratings/renewals need to be completed by end of year. 10 umpires need to attend the Irondequoit Tournament clinic and six umpires are eligible to audit the at NC.
MJ also reported on the USBC contract negotiations. Section V proposed a flat fee of $89.25. Officials came back with counter offer of $100 flat fee with the first 50 miles of travel free. Section V countered, officials declined counter and are now in final stages of negotiation before arbitration. (Officials reverted back to original offer of 2 percent increase first year, 4 percent second year, and 6 percent third year.)

New for 2016: Any official at a contest delayed, but not played for more than one hour will be paid mileage plus ¼ of game fee.

Chris Iorillo inquired as to the feasibility of two officials on Modified games. Jason Brightful explained it is an issue of not having enough officials to cover all games.

Scrimmages will stay the same as 2015: game fee, no mileage.

Chris Pessagno asked if social security numbers are necessary on every voucher. Jason confirmed that it only needs to be on the first voucher. All subsequent vouchers should be processed with last four digits and “on file” on voucher.

Don gave the Treasurer’s report. We have a current balance of $3437.08.

Jason reported on Assigning. Thanked all for their availability and flexibility this season. More declines this year than last year.

Jason proposed that the administration fee ($6.50 per official, paid at the start of the season by the Assignor) be covered by board dues. Discussion regarding proposal had multiple suggestions for increasing board dues for next year. A quorum was needed for a vote to take place, so the proposal was tabled until after July.

Don noted accolades for Jason (DI first and second round playoff games, DIII quarterfinals), MJ (received N3), Beth (selected for Regionals and States), Colleen (WCLAs, selected for Regionals and States, received letter to stand for National), Steve (selected for Regionals and Junior College championships.)

Don presented Beth Angus with a plaque commending her for more than 20 years of service on the RBWLO board.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:44 pm (motioned by John Natti, seconded by Shannon Kelly.)

Minutes respectfully submitted by

Colleen Spiegelhoff for

Kathy Brown, secretary