BY-LAWS
of the
EASTERN LONG ISLAND ASSOCIATION OF
APPROVED BASKETBALL OFFICIALS
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1. **Fees –** Fees for all basketball games assigned by the Executive Director, Section XI, will be those negotiated by the President's Council. Fees for other classes of basketball played within the jurisdiction of Board 40 will be established by the Executive Committee.

2. **Expenses –** Expenses shall be paid to duly authorized personnel as recommended by the Executive Committee and voted by a majority of those present.

3. **Working Conditions –** No member shall work games assigned by the Executive Director, Section XI, with non-IAABO members.

4. **Examinations –** The Board shall require the applicant to fill out the Board's application form which shall be accompanied by a fee established annually by the Executive Committee. Prior to administration of the written examination, the candidate's eligibility will be certified by the Chairman of the Examination Committee.

a. The written, practical, and oral examinations shall be those written and recommended by IAABO. All passing grades shall be the standard of the IAABO.

b. The date of the written examination shall be established by the IAABO. All candidates will take the written examination prior to its administration to the Body.

c. Candidates who pass the written, practical, and oral examinations and who are voted as members at the annual business meeting shall be classified as first year provisional officials for the ensuing year.

5. **Ethics –** Any complaint on the part of the membership, or received from outside same, shall be submitted in writing to the President and signed by the complainant. Such complaints shall be received by the President within thirty days from the date that the incident becomes known and resolved within a reasonable time thereafter, not to be less than thirty days from receipt of the complaint.

a. No member may make any statement to the press involving coaches, players, or game administration. Comments shall be limited to specific rules interpretation only.

b. No official may openly criticize another official. Petty malicious talk about another official has no place in this organization.

c. No official may write a letter or make a telephone call to any party outside the association concerning basketball that will reflect negatively on Board 40.

d. No member shall engage in conduct established to be contrary to the best interests of this organization.

e. No official shall display conduct which reflects discredit upon this organization

6. **Solicitation of Games –** No member shall solicit games in writing or verbally other than for those where service has first been declined by Board 40. Any member found guilty of this infraction may be dropped from membership in this Board.

7. **Uniform** – All members shall wear the standard uniform prescribed by IAABO. In an effort to improve the quality of the officials' uniform, the Executive Committee may authorize the test wearing of new articles of uniform.

8. **Attendance** – Any member, who fails to attend at least five meetings of the Board, of which one must be the annual business meeting, and the other the mandatory interpretation meeting, and without a legitimate reason in writing prior to said meeting, or due to an act of God, may be dropped from membership or sanctioned by the Executive Committee.

9. **Order of Business** – The following order of business had been adopted for regular meetings of the Board:
   a) Roll Call
   b) Reading of the Minutes
   c) Reports of the Secretary-Treasurer followed by Committee Reports
   d) Unfinished Business
   e) New Business
   f) Adjournment

10. **Mileage** – In the case of any mileage, the AAA calculation shall be deemed official.

11. **Discipline of Members** – Any member failing to fulfill an assignment shall be fined the sum of $15.00, payable to the Secretary-Treasurer within one week. Such fine is in addition to any penalty imposed be the Executive Director, Section XI. Failure to pay such fine within the prescribed time may lead to cancellation of the remainder of said official's schedule. An official found guilty of unethical conduct, or whose actions are detrimental to the Association, may be fined, placed on probation, or suffer loss of game assignments by vote of the Executive Committee. An Executive Committee recommendation which involves expulsion is subject to concurrence by 2/3 vote of the members present at any regular meeting.

12. **Appeals** – Members, who are the subject of disciplinary action by vote of the Executive Committee or the Body, may appeal such action, in writing, to the President within 15 days after formal notification. Decisions on such an appeal will be rendered within 15 days from the date the appeal is received.

13. **Movement** – In order to foster an active interest in officiating, and to provide an orderly progression for officials of demonstrated competence, the Executive Committee shall, subject to the concurrence of the Body, adopt a formal plan of movement within the Board. Such plan shall be communicated to the membership and a copy provided to any member who requests one.

14. **Board Ranking** – In order to more fully recognize the competence of officials in the Association, the Executive Committee, subject to the concurrence of the Body, shall adopt a formal ranking structure for priority in game assignments. Such plan shall be communicated to the membership and a copy provided to any member who requests one.

15. **Circumstances** – Any and all circumstances involved with any particular official in respect to any part of the Constitution and By-Laws will be acted upon by the Executive Committee.

16. **Amendments** – Suggested amendments must be presented in writing to the Secretary. The Secretary shall notify the membership of any impending vote or suggested amendments 7 days prior to the meeting/vote. The vote shall be taken upon suggested amendments at the next regular meeting. A 2/3 vote of active members present is required in order that suggested amendments shall become part of the By-Laws.