

The Whistle

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CONGRATUALTIONS TO KAYLA HERDMAN

for receiving her 3X3 FIBA International License. Kayla along with Matt Boyle (Nova Scotia) are the first Canadians to receive a 3X3 License.

2018 will be a year that Kayla will remember for a long time as not only did she have several basketball accomplishments she became engaged to Scott Dawes this past December.

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From the Desk of the Secretary

This is the first time that I lead off an edition of The Whistle. We as an Executive have decided that this being a final edition of 2018 and first edition of 2019 would be to highlight accomplishments and contributions by our fellow members as WE, being OABO, are an organization full of incredible people that should be recognized for their hard work ethics.

What a better way to start than our front page, we should all be very proud of Kayla and her becoming the first Canadian Female to receive a FIBA 3X3 License. 3X3 is growing faster than you think. Take a look at their home page <https://fiba3x3.com> Or the following they have on their Twitter page

https://twitter.com/FIBA3x3?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwcamp%5Etweetembed%7Ctwgr%5E363937393b70726f64756374696f6e&ref_url=https%3A%2F%2Ffiba3x3.com%2Fen%2Findex.html

As the twitter page says.... From the streets to the Olympics.

Yes 3X3 will be an Olympic event in 2020.

And it only gets better. Page 3 contains the info regarding Gene Schaaf's selection to the Basketball Ontario Hall of Fame. What a great way to start a New Year.

During the registration process for the CABO Exam, several members have inquired how they can see the info related to their file that we have on the Ontario database. Any member can see their info by going to www.oaboadmin.ca and log in using your email address that is currently on system. If you cannot remember your password there is a link to use to have the system send you what is on file. Anyone having issues accessing your file please let me know and I will help you get there.

Lastly, a lot of time and effort goes into producing articles by not only your Executive members but by individual OABO members so please take some time to read this newsletter from cover to cover when it is produced. There is a ton of info in these pages and it is really disheartening when someone asks about info that was just released in a recent past edition and I ask, "Did you read The Whistle" and I get back "No, I just looked at the first page."

Enjoy your season, hope to see you out there reffing.

Don Thorne

Gene Schaaf - Inducted to Ontario Basketball Hall of Fame



Gene Schaaf (Official) has been involved in basketball in many roles throughout his life, but he is most known for his extensive career as an official.

Schaaf began officiating in Hamilton over 50 years ago and he continues to be a valued member of the Ontario Association of Basketball Officials (OABO), the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials (IAABO) and three local officiating boards: York Region Association of Basketball Officials (YRABO), Durham Region Board of Approved Basketball Officials (DRBABO) and Toronto Association of Basketball Officials.

In addition to Schaaf's many years of officiating for OFSAA, OCAA and OUA and at the provincial and national levels, he has been actively involved with OABO, IAABO and his three local boards in multiple roles including secretary, treasurer, interpreter, evaluator and assignor. He sat on several OABO and IAABO committees, and he has served on the Board of Directors for OABO as well as Ontario Basketball.

Schaaf was instrumental in the creation of YRABO, where he was an assignor for 40 years. With DRBABO, he has held Executive positions in various roles. Schaaf is still involved with his local boards, attending membership meetings and supporting training and evaluation activities.

OABO, IAABO and all three officiating boards have awarded Schaaf honorary lifetime memberships in recognition for his dedicated commitment to officiating development within each organization. Additionally, Ontario Basketball recognized him with an honorary lifetime membership and a Lifetime Achievement Award, and the Canadian Association of Basketball Officials presented Schaaf with the John A. (Wink) Willox Award.

Induction Celebration Details: The Class of 2018 will be honoured at half-time of the Toronto Raptors game on Monday, February 11, 2019 against the Brooklyn Nets. A pre-game induction celebration will take place in Toronto near Scotiabank Arena. Full details will be announced in the new year. Individuals interested in attending the pre-game induction celebration should e-mail [Yoram Kerbel](mailto:Yoram.Kerbel@torontoraptors.com)

For more information on the Ontario Basketball Hall of Fame and all the inductees please click [here](#).

- Nadine Crowley—FIBA Instructor
- ⇒ FIBA U17 Women’s Basketball World Cup (Minsk, Belarus) July 2018
- ⇒ FIBA Women’s Basketball World Cup (Tenerife, Spain) September 2018



Ted Montgomery - OABO Honorary Member

CABO Executive Award of Merit , presented to an individual who has made a significant contribution to CABO (Sept 2018)

CABO Honorary Life Membership (Sept 2018)



Charles Ketter - Sudbury

OABO Honorary Membership (Sept 2018)



Jerry Goodeill - Barrie

CABO Wink Willox Award (Sept 2018)



Craymer Forth - Renfrew

OABO Award of Merit (Sept 2018)



Robin Holbrook - Windsor

OABO Dutch Decker Award (Sept 2018)



OABO President's Message

It is a wish that this message finds all of you and your families, well and healthy following the holiday season. It is hard to believe it was four months ago that OABO finished our AGM weekend and I found myself in the position of president of this fine and distinguished association of basketball officials. Being trusted to be elected by the membership is a great honor and one that I cherish. Getting a chance to work with this executive team to represent our membership is a task I welcome and look forward to fulfilling.

I would firstly like to welcome some new people to the executive team. John Grilli was acclaimed to the position of Vice-President and has brought a sharp and energetic perspective to our team. As per our constitution, there was a need to appoint representatives from the north and the east following the elections of officers. Welcome back Brian Seccareccia who has admirably been the voice of the north for many years, while Brady Taylor from Peterborough has taken on the task as eastern representative. We look forward to your work on the team and value what you have to offer our members.

I also want to thank Jaime McCaig for the countless hours of service he has devoted to OABO and many local boards over his numerous years devoted to working on behalf of the membership. His leadership needs to be applauded, as we all have benefitted from his leadership and passion for the association. I personally have learned much from working on the executive with Jaime over the years and want to acknowledge the mentorship and support he has provided to me. Thank you Jaime.

As we all know, the start of this season was a bumpy one, with a great deal of uncertainty surrounding a number of issues, primarily OCAA and OSBA games. I want to thank all who offered to work collegially toward a workable solution for this year. It took a great deal of effort, but most importantly trust from a great many places to be able to construct the model that we established for this year. It was refreshing to get the sense that most local boards understand the rationale for a new model for elite officiating in the province and it was equally refreshing to be able to have enlightening dialogue with our officiating partners around some of the concerns about building a new model. I want to thank John for his work in helping to build this model and all those local board leaders who shared their ideas to come to a consensus. Jason Jansson and Kyle Pelly also need to be thanked, as without their willingness to listen and have an open-minded approach, we couldn't have gotten where we did.

Having Rob Ferguson hired to facilitate has been a welcome addition to the process. Rob's commitment to engaging local boards directly to discuss a culture shift and help implement that shift has been a challenge at times, but as we all know, to accomplish something great we have to be willing to have difficult discussions first. Tim has been OABO's direct link to the new model and his efforts must be acknowledged. Working with Fergie and the OBA office to develop a model to engage local boards in understanding the NOCP system and to develop a plan for evaluation of officials has been no easy feat. I know there are a few tweaks coming for the restart of the season and with that those boards looking to access the technology for evaluating officials will be made available by the OBA. This is exciting stuff to be able to get iPads and Coaches Eye in the hands of local boards to begin standardizing practice and expectations around the province.

As discussed on the local board conference call that was used to brainstorm for a workable OCAA / OSBA model, one of the major concerns boards had was a feeling of a lack of transparency and inclusivity in the previous process. I am pleased to be able to share that Jason and I have reached to all the major stakeholders in the province, OCAA, OSBA, OFSAA and OUA, to invite them to an Ontario officiating summit. The aim of this summit is to provide a safe and professional opportunity for all voices to be heard around the goal of better understanding the needs of clients and OABO's abilities and needs to support what the game and our clients require throughout the province.

The expected outcome is to develop workable and aligned plans that build strong and dynamic partnerships that will enhance officiating pathways while supporting the players and coaches in their development pathways. As promised, local boards will be invited to participate in this summit directly, our collective voices and unique situations need to be heard. We will make sure to inform local boards of the details as they become finalized in the near future and invite interested parties to attend and participate.

We all know that Canada Basketball through the extensive and comprehensive work of Dawn Smyth, has built a platform on GamePlan to build a truly national program for all basketball officials in the country. This too is exciting for the game. I know Tim, Mike and Don did much of the heavy lifting to get OABO and our officials into the database. Sure there were hiccups in the initial roll out, but over the next little while with the exam having now been completed, those who need their NOCP levels adjusted should be able to work with Don and Tim to make sure we get our provincial roster as correct as we can. Thank you to the OABO members who took the time to honor our professional responsibility to stay educated and properly trained by writing the CABO exam. It is a privilege to officiate and with that privilege comes great responsibility.

It is with great pride that I share with all of you that IAABO, OABO, York, Durham and Toronto Life-Member, Gene Schaaf, has been selected to be part of the 2018 Basketball Ontario Hall of Fame induction class. Gene has been one of the most recognized and dedicated officials this province has had. His service to his local boards, OABO, OBA and IAABO have been exemplary. This more than deserved induction is a proud moment for Gene and Marie, but also for OABO and our members. It is wonderful to see officials get their due recognition as an integral part of the great game of basketball. Congratulations Gene! For those wishing to help Gene celebrate this great accomplishment, please see the details on the notice a few pages previous to this writing. Jason has communicated that OBA would welcome more nominations of OABO officials, as there are numerous members who are certainly deserving of this honor. Should you feel a local member is worthy of consideration for this recognition, please feel free to reach out to me and I can help guide you through the process.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Anthony Chapman for his long service as the Peel Board president. He has retired from that position and has moved on to other interests. I can speak personally from being a long-time local board president, that it is a thankless job. Anthony best wishes in your future endeavors.

Finally, I want to express what a great pleasure it has been to be in this position thus far. I knew it was going to be a whirlwind beginning to the role and that sure lived up to expectation. Knowing there are so many talented and committed members to work and share ideas with, is a blessing. I value all the conversations we have had so far and welcome more to come. I am extremely proud to be part of an exceptional team of executive members all dedicated to their positions, responsibilities and our membership. Please utilize their expertise through communication and conversation. They are the best source of information which pertains to their portfolio. I know each is more than willing to field direct questions about concerns and issues, so don't hesitate to engage Don, Tim, Mike, Art, John, Brady or Brian directly. Please feel free to engage us whenever needed, as our role is to serve the members and make things as easy for local boards as we can. I trust all to have enjoyed their break from the hardwood and time together with friends and family.

The season resumes with a bang in a few days, so be prepared. Happy New Year and best wishes.

Respectfully;

Rick Parnham

Young and eager to make a name on the court

by Randy Pascal 2018-08-15

The Sudbury Star

Female basketball talent in Sudbury have long established themselves as ranking among the very best in the country, with locals participating at summer nationals with some degree of regularity.

No reason why young female officials from the area cannot aspire to reach those same heights.

At least that's the thinking of 20 year-old *Cambrian College* student **Carine DiMaio**, just back from Fredericton, where she represented Ontario as the lone provincial referee attending the **Canadian U15 Girls Basketball Championships**.

And DiMaio did far more than simply attend.

The long-time figure skater and graduate of *College Notre-Dame* was named to officiate the bronze medal game, despite being the youngest official in attendance. It's been quite a climb for a multi-sport athlete who never played club basketball and did not really even start in the sport until high school.

In fact, she would give in to her officiating desires via another athletic venture altogether.

"I officiated soccer for two years, in grades seven and eight," said DiMaio. "In soccer, you can start really young." And though the lure of an even greater income source by virtue of near year-round access to games would pull her out to the hardcourts – well, that and the prompting of **Charlie Ketter**, who had seen her with the Alouettes, knew of her interest in officiating, and understood the extreme need for young females in the role – the foundation was set for dealing with the challenges that scares so many teenagers away, typically quite quickly.

"I got used to being in the spotlight," said DiMaio. "As a referee, when you blow your whistle, everybody looks at you. When you're 13 or 14 years old, even if you're reffing kids that are four and five, that's still a lot of pressure."

"The difference is that in soccer, you don't have to blow your whistle a lot. In basketball, it seems like it's every three seconds. I was just so into the game, you're always doing something." For as much as she was becoming addicted to basketball, the notion of her on-court involvement being referred to as a career had never really crossed her mind – until the summer following year one.

"After my first year, Charlie suggested I go to one of these camps, to learn the game quicker and get better as an official," recalled DiMaio. "I went to my first camp and met all of these people from across Ontario, I saw how much they were into it and thought that this could really be a thing."

"I just saw how invested the evaluators were, how they really wanted to help." And to her credit, DiMaio was open to receiving help and guidance. In fact, there truthfully were not a whole lot of games that she would ever turn down. There is no substitute for experience, and she was receiving it in spades.

To the credit of her assignors, it wasn't all about quantity. If there were long-term plans in place for the young female official who was following quite nicely in the footsteps of fellow local product **Alyssa Ferreira**, games that challenged her would need to form part of her schedule.





Enter the tail-end of year two and the boys *Franco High-School Boys Tournament*, being hosted in Sudbury, no less. “It was my first high school experience with high level ball, in front of my whole school, no less. I loved the adrenaline it gave me, and after that, I was set.”

Moving rapidly up the ranks is not a voyage without hurdles, however, even more so when the reality of basketball is essentially the same as it is for most sports – there is nowhere close to gender equality in play, simply in terms of the numbers on both sides of that equation. There are

far less young women who jump into the world of officiating with both feet, and far more to prove, for those who do.

“My professionalism is so important,” said DiMaio. “The reality is that when I walk out on a court, they see a young, female official, and that comes with all of the stereotypes. I have learned to maintain a strong demeanour on the court and not get upset over comments.”

That said, we have all been witness to officials who take a chip on their shoulder and then carry it too far, virtually inviting confrontation with each and every assignment they accept. To her credit, based on the feedback she is receiving, DiMaio appears to have struck a very healthy balance.

“I figured out pretty quickly that because I am so young, I have to show that I am capable,” she said. “As soon as I get on the court, calling a good game, knowing my rules, I think once they see that, then they start to give me a chance.”

To some extent, DiMaio sees her knowledge of the rules as a wonderful equalizer, an opportunity to build on a strength over which she has almost complete control. There is always more to learn, but her understanding of FIBA instructions is pretty darned solid.

But then there are those nuances of the game that will improve over time, that ability to maintain control of an encounter without resorting to becoming the show. Those lessons are virtually perpetual. “I think the hardest thing is still how to deal with the players and the coaches, their comments, because it changes so much from official to official.”

“Different people have different lines. How much are you going to tolerate from players and coaches?” By the summer of 2016, things were really coming together. DiMaio earned the crew chief assignment for the boys **Ontario Summer Games** final in Mississauga, a selection which filled her with pride.

On the urging of Ferreira, she would apply to work nationals in the Maritimes this summer. With her resume now including OCAA women’s action, primarily in Sault Ste Marie, DiMaio is eyeing the next logical step in her progression – the university ranks of the OUA. For that to happen, her performance in Fredericton would be key.

“I looked at it as a huge job interview,” she said. “I want to get known and recognized.” Just like the Sudbury and area players who have helped put our region on the map in the growing sport of basketball.



Pictured Karin Rimnyak and daughter Katharine Barrie

On the weekend of November 22-24/2018 London hosted the AA and AAA OFSAA Girls basketball Championships. During the introduction of the officials at the pre-tournament meeting for the AAA event, the officials were asked to include something about themselves or family. As they went around the room they spoke of their work and new family members.

When it got to Karin Rimnyak she stated her name and that she was proud to announce that her daughter Katharine was refereeing in the AA tournament the same weekend. You could tell in Karin's voice that she was extremely proud of her daughter.

The London Board deserves credit for playing a big part in helping both Karin and Katharine to develop as officials. Karin has only been refereeing for 8 years and openly admits she wishes she had taken it up earlier. It is obvious that her involvement has exposed Katharine to refereeing. Katharine was awarded the Gold Medal Game at the AA Championship. Her mother was in the stands to watch. They took the above picture together after the game.

Submitted by Ken Muir

Actions, Inactions, and Reactions- How to Elevate your Play

Calling and Game Control

Submitted by Ardavan Eizadirad

The FIBA approach in officiating is “Be in charge with a service attitude!” This means ensuring the safety of the players, coaches, parents, fans, and all other participants through the decisions we make both within the game as officials and outside of the game as professionals. I will further deconstruct the “Be in charge with a service attitude” approach to the game by breaking it down to thought-processes involved in making decisions, whether minor or major, within a game.

The temperature of the game, also referred to as the intensity of the game, as well as the level of control in the game is largely influenced by 3 factors which we as officials have control over. These include:

- A) Our Actions = Rulings we make via calls
- B) Our Inactions = Rulings we pass on also known as no-calls
- C) Our Reactions = Response to challenging behaviour or circumstances that develop or arise spontaneously and/or unexpectedly out of our control

The first 2 components, our actions and inactions, can best be understood and summarized through the concept of “making rulings”. Rulings are decisions that are made by us as officials after we observe an entire play.

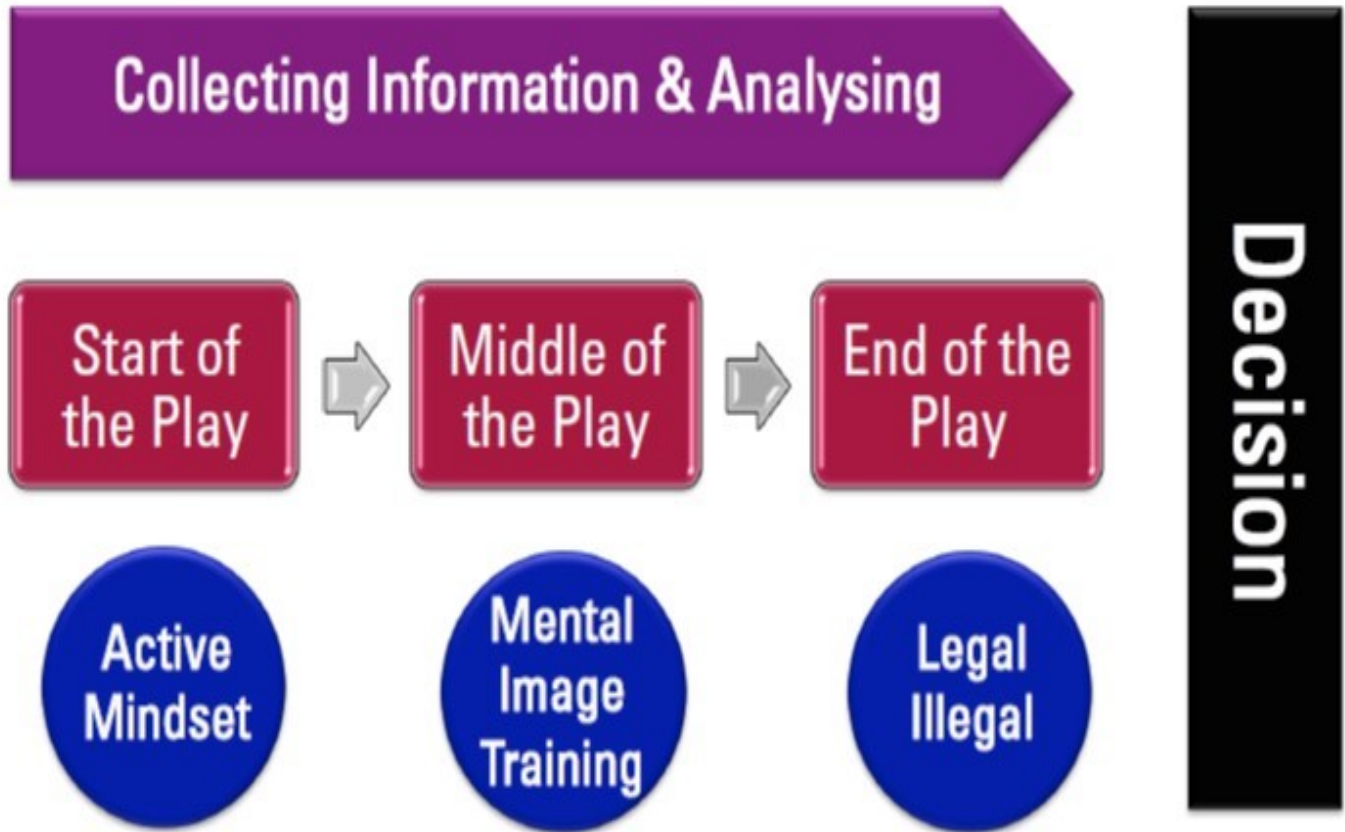
In order to make an accurate ruling, you must be in the proper position to view the play. This requires us to hustle and run to ensure we arrive to a stationary position to observe the players and the developing play with appropriate distance and spacing and an open angle. Once we have an established position as Lead and Trail in 2PO or Lead, Centre, or Trail in 3PO, we must continuously position-adjust, either stepping with the play or “cross stepping”, to constantly maintain an open angle on the play to assist us in making a correct ruling.

In respect to position- adjusting, FIBA provides the following:

- ◆ Move to maintain an open angle – Anticipate where you need to be – Adjust to the play (steps here, steps there)
- ◆ Move with a purpose – go where you need to referee the play
- ◆ If your initial position is correct there is less need to move but don’t be static

Decision-Making

As part of collecting and analyzing information in our respective positions as an officiating crew on the court, we must observe the entire play, including its start, middle, and end and then make a decision in terms of a ruling. This translates into deciding whether a call is required or not. If we are re-active such as blowing our whistle as soon as contact occurs, we are less likely to make a correct ruling.



(FIBA Individual Officiating Techniques, 2015)

FIBA emphasizes that as part of making rulings in terms of calls or no-calls, you need to “See the entire film! No snap shots!” For example, there might be some contact on the offensive player by the defender which does not impact their rhythm, speed, balance, or quickness as the offensive player drives to the basket and finishes a lay-up successfully. If we remain patient in our decision-making and allow the play to develop and finish, we can make the correct ruling that the contact was marginal and had no impact on the offensive player. Hence, a no-call is the correct decision rather than ruling a foul.

Coaches are often looking for consistency in rulings made by an officiating crew. For example, if something is a foul on one end of the floor and a similar play occurs at the other end, that it is ruled the same way by the officiating crew. Inconsistency in rulings by a crew often leads to an increase in the temperature and intensity of the game.

Keep in mind, contact does not equate to a foul. After observing the start, middle, and end of a play, you must make a ruling whether the contact is legal or illegal. Hence, the reason why as officials we must always “referee the defense” with an active mindset deciding if the defense is in an established legal guarding position relative to their cylinder before contact occurs.

Reactions

The last component of how to “be in charge with a service attitude “ is our reactions which can be described as our physical and emotional response to challenging behaviour and circumstances that develop or arise spontaneously and/or unexpectedly out of our control. Examples can include fighting amongst players, coaches swearing or coming on the floor to express displeasure with our rulings, and/or parents or fans making personal verbal attacks towards an official.

This is where we need to constantly remind ourselves that we are professionals and we cannot allow the negative actions of players, coaches, and fans or unforeseen circumstances to heighten or intensify our emotions to the extent that we respond reactively in an unprofessional manner such as swearing back at a player or screaming back at a coach. We must make a ruling on the negative behaviour of the player or coach and not take it personal. If a technical foul is warranted for the negative behaviour, then give it in a calm and composed manner. FIBA suggests the following guidelines to help us as officials remain in control of the game and to make correct rulings when we find ourselves in challenging situations: be fair and firm, call the obvious, do not compromise, and clean the game.

Safety of all parties is of utmost importance for officials to maintain as part of our responsibilities. Hence, if a game is getting out of control via illegal physical contact, then we must continue to call fouls. If players cannot adjust to the rulings, we must continue to penalize illegal contact as fouls. In situations where a fight breaks out, it is essential to step back and observe everyone who gets involved, while using our whistle and voice to regain control of the situation. Do not be afraid to ask table officials for assistance in collecting more information in terms of who came off the bench and the extent they were involved in a fighting situation before making rulings. Table officials are part of the collective officiating crew.

Overall, as officials we must remain composed at all times. This means we must have the emotional intelligence to recognize when our internal emotions are being triggered, challenged, heightened and intensified pushing us to be re-active in our decision making instead of proactive and under control. As we gain more experience, we must further grow and develop strategies to assist us in processing and constructively channeling our emotions to remain calm and focused so we can make accurate rulings.

As officials we are professionals on and off the court. We are guardians of the game. So let’s use our actions and inactions to display consistent correct rulings. Let us remain calm and composed via our reactions to unexpected situations and circumstances to show everyone we care for the game and willing to do what is fair to ensure the safety of all participants.

Lastly, next time someone yells at you, “Hey Ref! Manage the game!”, you can respond by saying, “We don’t manage the game. We control it with a service attitude!”



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INTERPRETER'S REPORT - MIKE MCPHEE

Since our last Whistle edition a lot of basketball has been played, the exam has been written, and the final edition of FIBA rules interpretations was released. It's unfortunate that so many subsequent issues arose due to the OABO Seminar and the release of the IAABO handbook pre-dating those changes. The only solution was to send board Interpreters updates as they occurred.

In this issue I will cover the main/most occurring questions that happened during the fall session of games.

Technical Foul Questions

The basic rule says:

36.3.1 If a technical foul is committed: By a player, or any person permitted to sit on the team bench, the opponents shall have one free throw which shall be administered immediately. After the free throw, the throw-in shall be administered by the team which had control of the ball or was entitled to the ball when the technical foul was called, from the place nearest to where the ball was located when the game was stopped.

The questions that arose had to do with what time goes on the shot clock. Here are some examples.

Q1- Technical Foul against B1 while A1 is dribbling in his a) Back Court b) Front Court.

Answer: Any player from Team A shoots the free throw and game is resumed:

Back Court throw in for Team A with 24 seconds on shot clock and 8 second back court count.

Front Court throw in for Team A with 14 seconds on shot clock.

Q2- Technical Foul against A2 while A1 is dribbling with 19 seconds on the shot clock in his a) Back Court b) Front Court.

Answer: Any player from Team B shoots the free throw and game is resumed:

Back Court throw in for Team A with 19 seconds on the shot clock and 3 second back court count remaining.

Front Court throw in for Team A with 19 seconds on the shot clock.

Q3- Defensive foul on B1 in A's frontcourt with 18 seconds on the shot clock. T then called on a) B1 or b) A1. Appropriate player shoots the single shot for the T. Ball stays in A's frontcourt.

Answer: The penalty for the foul on B1 is either a throw in for Team A or 2 shots if the Penalty is in place.

a) Team A has 18 seconds on the shot clock if the 2 shot penalty is not in force, no matter which player gets the Technical foul.

b) If the 2 shot penalty is in place, the game resumes with Team a player who was fouled, attempting the 2 free throws for the foul on B1.

Q4- Defensive foul on B1 in A's frontcourt with 12 seconds on the shot clock. The 2 shot penalty is not in effect. T called on a) B1 or b) A1. Appropriate player shoots the single shot for the T. Ball stays in A's frontcourt.

Answer: The penalty for the foul on B1 is a front court throw-in for team A, and a 14 second reset on the shot clock, regardless of who commits the technical foul.

Q5- B1 deflects a pass that goes out of bounds in A's frontcourt with 18 seconds on the shot clock. T called on a) B1 or b) A1. Appropriate player shoots the single shot for the T. Ball stays in A's frontcourt.

Answer: There is no reset for the ball going out of bounds. The T causes no reset either. So Team A has 18 seconds on the shot clock no matter who commits the technical foul.

Q6- B1 deflects a pass that goes out of bounds in A's frontcourt with 12 seconds on the shot clock. T called on a) B1 or b) A1. Appropriate player shoots the single shot for the T. Ball stays in A's frontcourt.

Answer: There is no reset for the ball going out of bounds. There are no resets for the Technical either. So Team A has 12 seconds on the shot clock.

Double Foul Definition Changed

35-1 Statement. To be considered as a double foul, both fouls must have the same penalties. Therefore when ruling fouls against opponents we must decide who fouled first.

Example: Team A has 2 team fouls and team B has 5 team fouls in the quarter.

Then:

- (a) On fighting for the post position, A1 and B1 are pushing each other while team A is in control of the ball.
- (b) On the rebound, A1 and B1 are pushing each other.
- (c) On receiving a pass from A2, A1 and B1 are pushing each other.

Interpretation: In all cases, it is NOT a double foul. The penalty for each team's fouls is not the same. The officials shall apply the special situations rule and decide which foul has occurred first,

In a) and c) both of these events occur with Team A in control. Therefore the penalty for a Team A foul is possession for Team B, while the penalty for a Team B foul is 2 shots for Team A.

If B1's foul occurred first, A1 shall attempt 2 free throws with no line-up. The game shall be resumed with a team B throw-in from the place nearest to where the fouls have occurred.

If A1's foul occurred first, the team B throw-in shall be cancelled. A1 shall attempt 2 free throws and the game shall be resumed as after any last free throw.

In b) The procedure is the same as both of the above scenarios. Since there were no equal penalties to be cancelled, the fact that neither team had possession is not a factor, in determining how play will resume. Therefore the order of the two fouls determines how the game resumes.

Last 2 Minutes –Time Out

17.2.4 When the game clock shows 2:00 minutes or less in the fourth quarter or overtime, following a time-out taken by the team that is entitled to the possession of the ball from its backcourt, the coach of that team has the right to decide whether the game shall be resumed with a throw-in from the throw-in line in the team's frontcourt or from the team's backcourt at the place nearest to where the game was stopped.

Q1- When does the coach make the choice?

Answer: At the latest after the time-out, the crew chief shall ask coach A of his decision where the throw-in shall be administered. Coach A shall say loudly in English "frontcourt" or "backcourt" and at the same time showing with his arm to the place (frontcourt or backcourt), where the throw-in shall be administered. Note: The coach can make the choice at any time during the time out period.

Q2- Can the coach change his choice?

Answer: After the coach A has made his decision, it is final and irreversible. Further requests of both teams to change the throw-in place, after the additional time-outs at the same game clock stopped period, shall not lead to a change of the original decision.

Q3- Does the coach always have the choice?

Answer: No. If the time-out follows an unsportsmanlike or disqualifying foul or fighting situation, the game shall be resumed with a throw-in from the throw-in line at the team's frontcourt.

Fighting and Resuming Play

In the lead up period before the exam questions arose because it appeared that the resumption of play after a fighting situation seemed to have conflicting interpretations. Some of the confusion comes from the use of the term "fighting", and the actual rule (Article 39: Fighting).

Article 39 refers only to situations where substitutes, coaches, assistant coaches, excluded players and accompanying delegation members, come off the bench because of a fight, or during any situation which may lead to a fight. If it is the coach who does that is he is disqualified (disqualifying foul including 2 shots). If it is bench personnel, they each are each disqualified and the coach is assessed a single B Technical foul (1 shot). If any of those people then get actively into the fight, then they are each charged with a 2 shot disqualification foul, but if it's a delegation member then his foul is charged 2 the coach (2 shots). All of the shots are taken unless there are equal penalty cases that may cancel some of them.

Once we get through the cancellation phase there are 2 options:

- a) There is still a foul not cancelled. Administer it as whatever it is and resume **play for that foul**.
- b) All penalties have cancelled and nothing is left. Resume play as follows:
If at approximately the same time as the first infraction: (i.e. when the "fight" started)
 - A valid field goal or a last free throw is scored, the ball shall be awarded to the non-scoring team for a throw-in from any place behind that team's endline.
 - A team had control of the ball or was entitled to the ball, the ball shall be awarded to this team for a throw-in from the place nearest to the first infraction.
 - Neither team had control of the ball nor was entitled to the ball, a jump ball situation occurs.

Most one on one fights are dealt with as double fouls. For anything else we must take our time and sort out everything. Never hurry in the aftermath of a disaster.

A Ball That Lodges is Always a Jump Ball Situation

This arose because a question about a reset on a throw in touching the ring appeared on the exam. The correct answer being if the Team that threw it in gets the ball after the touch the shot clock will be 14 seconds. Why? Because the ball has touched the ring on a pass, and the team which regains control of the ball is the same team that was in control of the ball before the ball touched the ring. It also arose in regards to Interpretation 17-29 which had a Throw-in lodging. So the point form answer is:

- a) The throw-in has ended.
- b) It's a jump ball situation.
- c) A-P throw in awarded at the endline of the basket involved.
- d) Team B gets that A-P Throw-in.
- e) Team A will get the next one after that.

Rules Reminders

From our November Ofsaa Championships 2 major areas of concern arose. They were the understanding of Verticality and Illegal contact. Too often the defender is penalized for being vertical, and too often illegal contact to free a ball or get a held ball is ignored.

Verticality



The Red defender on the left has legal guarding position established within her cylinder. White will be responsible for contact if she moves upwards into that arm.

The blue defender has jumped within his cylinder maintaining his legal position. Contact is the shooter's responsibility. The defender is doing nothing wrong.



Illegal Contact



Allowing a defender to go through the ball handler to reach the ball.

Allowing a player to reach across the ball handler and knock the ball free, then passing on the contact caused thereafter.



Allowing plays like this one to continue, till black player on the left wins a held ball. Thereby ignoring the obvious foul by #20 Black.



In closing let's all of us use the rest that the Christmas break has given us, and focus on a renewed effort to get the calls right.

SUPERVISOR REPORT— Tim Laurain

CCAA selection - Initial information and deadline January 13th at noon

- required minimum NOCP level is level 3 with minimum 86% on CABO-FIBA exam (NOCP Level lowered specifically to provide a certification pathway for officials qualified and positioned in the pathway)
- above said, the CBOC target is to have 8 officials of the 12 at each championship with previous experience at the specific championship
- 10 game minimum - please read my comments at end before sending me questions/concerns/comments
- deadline for submission to myself is Sunday 12 noon January 13th
- application form to follow shortly

PREAMBLE

Selection of the 24 officials (plus two alternates) for the 2019 CCAA Men's and Women's National Basketball Championships will be based on the CBOC Selection Committee's review of Nominations received from Conference Supervisors and assessment against the selection criteria established. The final decision of the officials selected for the championships will be made by the CBOC, upon receipt of the recommendations from the CBOC Selection Committee, chaired by the CABO Education Officer, John McFarland

DATES OF COMPETITION

Women: March 13-16, 2019. Travel dates will be March 12th and March 17th, 2019.

Men: March 13-16, 2019. Travel dates will be March 12th and March 17th, 2019.

LOCATIONS

Women: Quebec City, QC – hosted by Cegep de Sainte-Foy; games at the Main Gymnasium on the campus of Cegep de Sainte-Foy;

Men: Langley BC – hosted by Langara College; games at Langley Events Centre (LEC)

MEMBERS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE

Chair: John McFarland. The remaining six members of the committee will be selected by the Chair and will consist of two additional members of the Evaluation & Selection Sub-committee, two members of the CABO Evaluation Panel (excluding those appointed to either 2019 CCAA Final 8), one appointee from CCAA and one appointee from CB (ex-official).

SELECTION PROCESS

- The CBOC Selection Committee Chair will receive nominations from each of the Conference Officials Supervisors (*as per practice, myself as Provincial Supervisor serves as the Ontario Supervisor*)
- The Selection Committee Chair will review the nominations to ensure they are complete; including supporting documentation required, and will then forward all qualifying nominations to the Selection Committee (*I will be sending documentation/application shortly as I will modify national form to include OSBA games*)
- The Selection Committee will discuss and assess the nominations through any means of correspondence deemed efficient and then hold a conference (or Skype) call to finalize their recommendations
- The CBOC Selection Committee may request additional information from the applicable Conference Supervisor
- The CBOC Selection Committee may request supporting, or additional information from an applicable Provincial Officials Association
- When determining the twelve officials (plus one alternate) for each championship, the following should be noted:
 - ⇒ **A minimum of three of the 12 officials shall be from the CCAA host conference; Pac West for the Men's Championship; RSEQ for Women's Championship**
 - ⇒ **Nominated officials must be Level 3 or higher in the National Officials Certification Program (NOCP)**
 - ⇒ Previous gender specific CCAA championship tournament experience is desirable; with a target of eight officials having previous experience at the tournament; - *that means only 4 officials 'new' to each tournament if the target is met*
 - ⇒ Four crew chiefs will be selected for each tournament. This designation applies only to day one of competition. Crew chief designation for the remaining days of competition will be determined by the respective tournament coach/evaluators;
 - ⇒ At the CCAA women's tournament, consideration will be given to have females designated as crew chiefs for day one;
 - ⇒ All selected officials must have obtained a minimum of level of the National Officials Certification Program prior to the final nomination date;
 - ⇒ The CBOC selection committee will provide a recommendation to the CBOC, of the 12 (plus one alternate) officials for each tournament;
 - ⇒ Final selection decisions will be confirmed by the CBOC no later than February 1st.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Each Conference Officials Supervisor may submit a maximum of 8 nominations for each tournament

- o Atlantic Collegiate Athletic Association (ACAA)
- o Pacific Western Athletic Association (PACWEST)
- o Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA)
- o Réseau du sport étudiant du Québec (RSEQ)
- o Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference (ACAC)

Deadline for nominations is January 15th, 2019 to CBOC - *deadline to myself is January 13th at noon*

The Selection Criteria provided must form the basis for nominations

The Selection Committee will submit the list of nominated officials to the CBOC by January 26th, 2019, for final approval

NOCP Exam – the good and the bad

The good: last year we had around 900 members write the NOCP exam, this year it was 1406; 940 members passed the level they wrote

The bad: 250 members didn't write, 466 members failed the level they wrote and we had a to-be-determined number of officials who wrote the incorrect level exam.

I have approached CABO/CBOC about a second exam for those who didn't write, those who failed and those who wrote the wrong level. If not done at the national level, I believe that it is important that we do it in Ontario. NOCP 1 - 3 are under Provincial jurisdiction. If you fail your driver's test or a trades test, you are able to try it again, I believe the same should be true for NOCP level assessments.

We would not be using the IAABO FIBA exam nor re-write the CABO exam, the answers are readily out there. Some boards sent the IAABO FIBA exam and answers to their members as a CABO exam prep. Anyone who wrote the CABO online exam can access the answers. CABO/CBOC has been asked to either work with me and Mike to produce the exam or to verify an exam we make up.

The timeframe would be towards the end of January. More details to follow shortly.

Boys OFSAAs

I will be following up with Boards by mid January in respect to travelling officials to Boys OFSAA. We will have 4 travelling officials each for both the Boys A in London and the Boys AAA in Hamilton. We will need to travel a minimum of 10 officials to Boys AA in Timmins.

Rules Practice

This year I did not provide an updated question bank for FIBA RefSchool. I will ensure something is available shortly for some online practice for officials. This should be particularly helpful for those looking to do the exam later this month.

OCAA Nominations

In the present National system, the expectation is that any official chosen for CCAAs also work the OCAAs. As such the deadline for nominations for OCAAs is towards the end of this month after the CCAA deadline. Please contact me if you have any questions, suggestions and/or concerns on anything covered in this whistle or other.

Last but not least, happy new year everyone. All the best to you and those close to you throughout 2019.

Thank you for all your efforts.

Vice President's Report

I hope that all OABO members and their respective families had a great holiday season and all the best for 2019.

Just some quick points regarding the OBA discipline committee, of which I am a member. We have had a couple of meetings and because the OBA season started in earnest in November, there have been several incidents that have come before the committee in December.

The following are some general observations/notes that have arisen from these meetings:

- Local Boards have been very diligent so far in sending in incident reports to OABO Secretary Don Thorne when they occur. Please keep providing detailed incident reports from each of the officials which makes our committee work more efficiently and allows us to come to a resolution in a more timely and fair manner.
- Thus far we have adjudicated on several coach related discipline matters and the most common penalty thus far meted out is a two game suspension to the respective coach involved. Another incident is player related disqualifying foul incident during a game. This investigation is ongoing and a judgement will be handed down shortly.
- A reminder that it's always important that our officials realize that what is said and done on and off the court matters and the various interactions with coaches, players, spectators, partners, and table crews must be done professionally and discretely as we never know how our words will be construed.
- The competitiveness of games is such that the behavior of coaches and other key protagonists needs to be dealt with appropriately while we are on the court as well as off of it.
- Remember that we should try to diffuse situations in an appropriate manner by maintaining our composure, but we should never allow ourselves, our partners, players, or table crews to be subjected to abuse from coaches or other participants.
- It is not okay for opposing coaches to speak negatively to each other or act in a vulgar or inappropriate manner. Nor is it okay for coaches to engage inappropriately with either players or fans while on the court. This is another area where officials must continue to be diligent in order that these types of situations do not escalate further.
- Officials should never be subjected to abuse outside the playing venue. Should an official be inappropriately accosted in a threatening or abusive manner after leaving a game this must not go unreported. Do not engage with fans/coaches/players etc outside the venue and if accosted in a disrespectful manner, politely point out that "it is not okay" but do not confront. Just walk away, do not engage but do report if necessary.
- There is a tendency for some coaches and fans to get very animated/heated because they are too invested in their respective teams/players. This must be controlled on the court and avoided off of it. We cannot ignore bad behavior on the court in the hopes that it will go away. Progressive discipline should be administered calmly and fairly.
- OBA's Policies & Procedures, including the Codes of Conduct and Fair Play Policies are found in the following link:
<https://basketball.on.ca/about-us/policies-and-procedures/>

Have a wonderful 2019 on and off the court!

John Grilli

2019 Seminar and AGM update

Greetings OABO members,

My name is Justin Walsh, a BQBABO member, and co-chair of the 2019 OABO Seminar and AGM Organizing Committee. We are excited to be able to host the event in Toronto, September 6-8, 2019. The weekend's activities will be located at the Toronto Airport Marriott Hotel, the same hotel for the past couple of years, guaranteed at a rate of \$150 per night.

BQBABO has hosted the OABO AGM weekend in 2009 and 2013. Our 2019 organizing committee is made up of members who worked on both these previous AGM weekends. Our past experiences and contacts, both locally in the Bay of Quinte area and provincially, will provide us with plenty of opportunities to host a great event. We are currently working with Belleville, Prince Edward County and Toronto Chambers of Commerce and tourism offices to promote all 3 beautiful areas of the province.

I encourage all OABO members to pencil in the 2019 dates on your calendars and to promote the event to fellow members of your local boards. It will be a great educational and social weekend.

Sincerely,

Justin Walsh

TREASURER'S REPORT—ARTHUR WONG

Hello everyone, I hope everyone had a great holiday seasons! Just a few updates on my end:

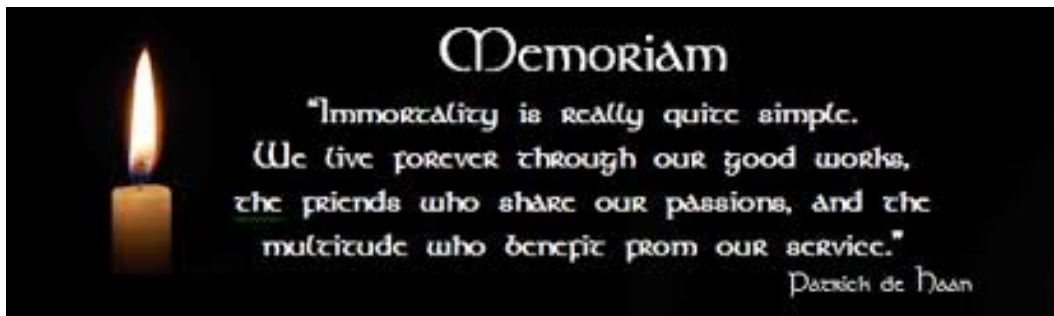
At the OABO AGM, the recommendation is to amalgamate all the OABO/OABO affiliate bank accounts to one central account. I'm happy to report that this has been completed.

All Girls OFSAA RC/Assistant/Officials cheques were mailed.

OABO also paid off all outstanding OABO Council's legal fees at this time.

Enjoy the rest of your season!

Arthur



Condolences to :

- The Windsor Board with respect to the passing of their member John MacDonald (August 2018)
- Jack and Jana Glick with respect to the passing of their infant son Kai (December 2018)
- Dave Krndija with the respect to the passing of his mother after a courageous battle with cancer (January 2019)

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