

Western Maine Baseball Umpires Association

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President's Corner

Annual Meeting Notice

This is to advise you of the upcoming March Business Meeting of the members of Western Maine Baseball Umpires. The details of this meeting are as follows:

Date:	March 15, 2020
Time:	10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Place:	Gorham Middle School

Assignor's Corner

Schools have begun entering games into the Arbiter and game assignments will begin soon. Now is the time to ensure your information is correct and your availability is current. Please take a few minutes, sign into the [Arbiter](#) and update information as necessary.

Annual Elections

In accordance with the **BY-LAWS OF THE WESTERN MAINE BOARD OF BASEBALL UMPIRES** (*Article Seven, Section 3; Election of Officers; term of office*), All officers shall be elected at the March Business Meeting, take office on the day of election, and serve until the next election, except that the 4 members elected to the Executive Committee serve 2-year terms as follows: Two must be elected to a term beginning with the March Business Meeting held in an odd numbered year and concluding at the next March Business Meeting held in an odd numbered year; and 2 must be elected to a term beginning with the March Business Meeting held in an even numbered year and concluding at the next March Business Meeting held in an even numbered year.

The Nomination Committee is seeking candidates to fill the following positions: (*incumbent*)

Officers

- President (*Dan Deshaies*)
- 1st Vice President (*Peter Adams*)
- 2nd Vice President (*Marty Metevier*)
- Secretary/Treasurer (*Rick Meinking*)
- Rules Interpreter (*Kevin Joyce*)

At-Large Members

- To expire March 2022 (*Shawn McCurdy*)
- To expire March 2022 (*David Verrier*)
- Assigner (*Duke Madsen*)

Anyone wishing to nominate an Member in Active Status or themselves can do so by contacting Peter Brogan, Nominating Committee Chair, at Petebrogan138@yahoo.com.

Fingerprinting

The Maine Principals Association has mandated that all officials in all high school sports be required to take and pass the Maine Department of Education background check this year. Accordingly, if you do not have evidence of having a current ME DOE background check, you will not be assigned by WMBUA for school baseball games beginning in the Spring 2020.

The following is the address of the ME DOE webpage that explains the background check / fingerprinting program, provides the application form, and links you to the fingerprinting appointment scheduler at IdentiGO sites:

<https://www.maine.gov/doe/cert/fingerprinting>

What to do once you had the fingerprints taken:

- (1) Go to the: <https://neo.maine.gov/doe/neo/TeacherCertification/TeacherCertification>
- (2) Fill in "Personal Details" (Last Name, Last 4 Digits of SSN and Date of Birth)
- (3) Click on Submit and your will get your results.

Your results should look like the picture below. Take a snapshot or print screen and send it to WMBUA, 23 Hearn Road, Scarborough, ME or email to: WMBUA@outlook.com **no later than March 15, 2020.**

Department Of Education
Educator Lookup

Search By

Personal Details

Last Name: *

Last 4 Digits of SSN: *

Date of Birth:

Educator ID

Educator ID:

Educator Details

Date Of Report: 12/26/2019

Name: RICHARD MEINKING

Application: A letter was sent on 03/08/2019.

Certificates and Endorsements:

Type	Class	Level	Endorsements	Valid	Expires
CHRC APPROVAL- BIRTH TO 12				03/15/2019	03/15/2024

Note: If last name and SSN do not match exactly to the data in the Certification System, then the correct certification results may not be displayed or may indicate "No Certification Found at this time"

Interpreter's Corner

Rules & Mechanics Clinics

On March 8, 2020 beginning at 4:00 PM at the Gorham Middle School the MANDATORY Rules and Mechanics Clinics will be held. All "active" members must attend. Any member not able to attend, must request authorization to attend the Make-up session on April 5, 2020.

To request authorization, send your request via email to: wmbua@outlook.com. *Your request must be sent no later than March 7, 2020.*

Failure to attend these clinics; member is subject to a fine of up to \$35.00.

This is notice of the **Second Annual NFHS exam night** to be held on Monday, March 23, starting at 6:30 p.m. and lasting approximately two hours. **SPACE IS LIMITED! This opportunity is open to the first 15 to RSVP**

Last year our attendees scored nearly all scored 98s on this exam. It's a great way to take this exam as we take turns reading the questions, and then discuss and clarify the possible answers. This way everyone better understands the questions asked.

We'll again be in the back room (take a left at the hostess stand) at Jimmy the Greek's restaurant/pub at 215 Ocean Park Rd., in Old Orchard Beach.

- You must bring with you: **YOUR RULE AND CASEBOOKS**; and the electronic device on which you plan to complete the exam: laptop, tablet, smart phone, etc. There may be limited electrical outlets nearby, so bring a fully charged device.

It is a good idea to find and bookmark the **NFHS Baseball Exam II** on the NFHS website **PRIOR TO YOUR ARRIVAL** so there is no delay in getting started.

PLEASE RSVP WITH JEFF SCULLY BY TEXTING HIM YOUR NAME AND INTEREST IN ATTENDING AT: 207.590.0949.

SPACE LIMITED TO THE FIRST 15 to RSVP.

2020 Uniform Orders

Anyone wishing to place an order for uniform items may do so using the Order Form below

[2020 Catalog](#)

[2020 Order Form](#)

Last Day to order uniform orders is March 8, 2020

Annual Rules Examination

2020 NFHS Baseball Part II on-line examination will be available starting on **March 23, 2020**. You must complete and submit for grading by the end of the day on **April 5, 2020**.

If you took the on-line exam last year all you need to do is log-in to your account and selected NFHS 2020 Baseball Part II exam. To log-in [CLICK HERE](#)

If this is your first time refer to the [Exam Guide](#). Complete information is available on our website home page.

WMBUA By-Laws states: Annually, every Active Member shall complete the NFHS Baseball Exam through the NFHS Exam System. The examination will be available for a specific time frame and members are expected to complete it during its availability. An Active Member who fails to take the exam will receive a score of "0" and will be fined in the amount of \$25. (Article Three, Section Two, A(1))

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NFHS 2020 Baseball Exam Part I will be posted with answers on our [website](#) after all new members have taken it.