

## **WC5 Field Hockey**

### **August 17, 2023 minutes**

President Debbie Flick called the meeting to order.

NJSIAA State Interpreter, Char Heenan: Interpretation of the rules.

Emphasis on videos presented, Aerials- where the call should be made,

Officials Guide, Hard tackles, Breakdown fouls, Carding procedures.

WC5 Interpreter, Tracy Maccariella: Reviewed the 2023 Rule Changes.

President Debbie Flick: A motion to approve October 20, 2022 minutes was called by Donna Martello. The motion was seconded by Diane Fanucci. The October 20, 2022 Minutes were unanimously approved.

The offices of President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Secretary and Assignor are up for election. Anyone who wishes to run for any of those offices are to contact Kim Coolahan, Sherry Falzone or Cheryl Anstotz. Elections will occur on October 19, 2023.

Scrimmages begin on August 28, 2023.

Opening Day is September 7, 2023.

Game fees: Varsity \$90.00, Lower-level games \$65.00, Scrimmages \$65.00

Middle School fees will be posted on the [wc5fieldhockey.org](http://wc5fieldhockey.org) website.

Reminder to register with NJSIAA, complete the concussion course and take the test. A warning was sent to officials that were not in good standing. Another warning will go out next week. Schedules will be pulled by NJSIAA if all requirements to be in good standing are not met.

JoAnne Colacurcio is the wc5 webmaster.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Kim Gruccio: Congratulated the 21 First year cadets and the 12 Second year cadets. All worked hard.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Lisa McCleary: The test ends at 11:59 p.m. on August 23, 2023. Log onto NJSIAA.org to complete the test. NJSIAA has a passing grade of 80%,

however, WC5 requires an 86%. Remedial help will be offered to anyone who scores lower than an 86%.

Ratings went well this Summer. Ratings will be set up for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> year officials that need to be rated on the field.

Secretary Toni Rispoli: Concussion certificates must be dated between July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Any certificate before July 1, 2023 will not be accepted. NFHSLearn.com

NJSIAA is using SMITTYS as their shirt manufacturer. Smittys shirts are required for 2023 tournaments. All Sports in Pennsylvania carries this shirt. 215-860-3571 <https://www.allsportsofficials.com>

NJSIAA phone number 609-259-2776

Zebraweb phone number 610-458-8950

General release can be found on the [wc5fieldhockey.org](http://wc5fieldhockey.org) site under forms.

Implicit bias: NJSIAA will announce dates and times to take the Implicit Bias course on zoom. Completing this course is a requirement to officiate Tournament games. NJSIAA does not use the Implicit Bias course that is in the NFHSLearn website. Sorry for the inconvenience.

NJSIAA \$300.00 incentive for new officials who have officiated games. Once the tournaments are over, NJSIAA will reimburse new officials \$300.00. It will come through Zebrapay. Your names will be sent to NJSIAA at the conclusion of the season.

Treasurer Jan McGrath: The balance in the WC5 account is \$3931.54. The report can be viewed on [wc5fieldhockey.org](http://wc5fieldhockey.org).

30 members have paid dues thus far. Dues are \$40.00 and must be paid by September 6, 2023. If you haven't paid your dues, bring the check to the September 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

All missed meetings have a fine, 1<sup>st</sup> \$10.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$15.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$25.00. Fines are to be paid upon missing the meeting. All meetings are required, including the final meeting on October 19, 2023. All checks need to be written to West Chapter 5.

Mail the check to Jan McGrath 720 Marshall Street Edgewater Park N.J. 08010.  
Any question contact Jan.

Assignor Lauren Berg: ABC's of assigning was explained. Accept, Block, Confirm or decline within 2 days of receiving the assignment.

Conflicts of interest must be adhered to.

Page 15 of the NJSIAA Officials Handbook. Do not accept any assignment if any of the following circumstances are true.

- Currently employed by a district.
- Previous employment in the district within the past 10 years.
- A close relative works in the district.
- A child attending school in any district
- A graduate of the school within the past 10 years.

Lower-Level Assignor Roz Gill: Middle school games do not begin until the middle of September.

Game fees for Middle school can be found on the [wc5fieldhockey.org](http://wc5fieldhockey.org) website.

Supervisor of Officials Donna Martello: The grievance committee of Kathy Yeager, Patty Connor and Megan Stielau brought forth concerns from the chapter regarding:

- Assigning procedures. More equitable distribution of games.
- State tournament/Playoff assignments.
- Cadets working alone. Whenever possible, an experienced official should be assigned to work with the cadet.
- Limit the number of times an official sees a team.
- Compensation for downtime between JV and Varsity games. ie: 4pm and 6pm.
- Use of Communication devices- phones or radios- at all levels.
- Reassigning rainouts utilizing the "postponement" feature on Zebraweb.
- Discontent with officials who are unsporting toward fellow officials while they are a parent/fan at a game.

Disqualification procedures as defined in the NJSIAA Officials Handbook, found on pages 12, 13 and 14.

- Disqualification Rule
- Disqualification Procedure
- Disqualification of Coaches Procedure
- Disqualification Reporting Instructions

Other Business:

- Service Awards: Diane Fanucci will record members years of service.
- Meeting dates:
  - 8/17 (Thursday) at 7:00 p.m. Interpretation. Virtual
  - 9/6 (Wednesday) at 7:00 p.m. Clinic. In-person at Egg Harbor Township High School or Gateway Regional Regional High School
  - 10/2 (Monday) at 7:00 p.m. Virtual
  - 10/19 (Thursday) at 7:00 p.m. Virtual

Adjournment: 9:15 p.m. Roz Gill made the motion and Lauren Berg seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

