

New England Bowlers' Association Bylaws

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NEBA Board of Directors

President	
1st Vice President	
2nd Vice President	
Tournament Director	
Manager	
Member at-large	
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Member at-large	
All past Presidents in good standing.	

Welcome

We endeavor to create a quality bowling experience and hope you enjoy many years of competition as a NEBA member.

Please familiarize yourself with the bylaws as they contain important information you need to know.

Name

The Association shall be known and called the New England Bowlers' Association, commonly abbreviated as NEBA

Purpose

The purpose of NEBA shall be to unite amateur bowlers to

- a. Promote and run a monthly scratch tournament for the enjoyment of the members of NEBA.
- b. Encourage and maintain the spirit of good fellowship, good sportsmanship, and fair play among the members of NEBA.
- c. Hold meetings periodically to conduct the business of NEBA.
- d. Encourage, educate, inform, and promote the game of bowling by utilizing the talents of the higher average bowlers in New England.
- e. Promote bowling as a major sport.

Organization

Management

The management of NEBA shall be vested in a Board of Directors, hereafter referred to as the Board, consisting of the following:

- a. President (elected)
- b. First Vice President (elected)
- c. Second Vice President (elected)
- d. Manager (appointed)
- e. Tournament Director (appointed)
- f. Members at large (appointed)
- g. All past Presidents in good standing (emeritus)
 1. In order to be a member of the NEBA Board of Directors, a past president must notify the current president in writing before the conclusion of the Annual Meeting

of their intentions to be a part of the following year's board of directors. Past presidents would not be subject to the approval vote to be a member of the board.

The Board shall enforce and carry out the provisions of these Bylaws and the Tournament Rules. All Board Members must have been members in good standing for the entire previous calendar year.

The Executive Board consists of the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, ~~Manager-Secretary/Treasurer~~, and Tournament Director. The executive board shall be allowed to handle the business of the organization between meetings and may not create rules for itself. The Executive Board is authorized to act for the board in the time in between board meetings and reports to the Board.

NEBA Manager

The Board shall appoint a qualified individual to perform the duties of NEBA Manager. The NEBA Manager shall remain in that position as long as the performance of duties meets the approval of the Board. If, in the judgment of the Board, the NEBA Manager has failed to uphold the responsibilities of the position, the Board may vote for dismissal. A majority vote of a quorum of the Board shall be necessary for dismissal. In the absence of the NEBA Manager at a tournament site, the Board members present shall appoint an acting NEBA Manager for that tournament.

Tournament Director

The Board shall appoint a qualified individual to perform the duties of Tournament Director. The Tournament Director shall remain in that position as long as the performance of duties meets the approval of the Board. If, in the judgment of the Board, the Tournament Director has failed to uphold the responsibilities of the position, the Board may vote for dismissal. A majority vote of a quorum of the Board shall be necessary for dismissal. In the absence of the Tournament Director at a tournament site, the Board members present shall appoint an acting Tournament Director for that tournament.

Board Member at Large

At the [Annual Meeting](#), the NEBA President appoints Board Members at Large for the next calendar year. Any member in good standing that desires to be Board Member at Large for the following year must submit in writing ~~their~~^{his or her} interest to the President no later than one week before the Annual Meeting. At the Annual Meeting, the President shall appoint members at large with the advice and consent of the board. All applications shall be retained as official NEBA records. The term of membership for a Member at Large shall be one calendar year.

Removal of Board Member

No Board member at any time shall exceed the Bylaws of NEBA. If this occurs, in the judgment of a majority of a quorum of the Board, the Board member in question shall be immediately removed.

Any Board member who fails to attend two (2) consecutive board meetings, is subject to removal by a majority vote of a quorum of the Board. The Board shall determine the terms and length of the removal. ~~This shall not apply to past presidents.~~

Replacement of Board Members

If in the event of death, resignation, or removal of any Board member, the Board may select as successor for the remainder of the Board Member's term. If there is a change in the Tournament Director or an Officer during the middle of the year, the President may appoint the individual leaving the position to the Board of Directors with the approval of the Board.

Salaries

The following positions are salaried with the compensation set by the Board:

- a. Manager
- b. Tournament Director

Duties of Board Members

Duties of the President

The duties of the President are the following:

- a. To act as the Chief Executive Officer of NEBA.
- b. To serve and ~~protect the interests~~ ~~protect interests~~ of all members of NEBA.
- c. To call for and preside at all meetings of NEBA and the Board.
- d. To appoint working committees as necessary and to designate the committee chairperson with the approval of the Board.
- e. To appoint Members at Large with the approval of the Board
- f. To approve the use of funds dispersed via checks, debit cards, or electronic payments.
- g. To verify quarterly the accuracy of all NEBA financial statements by auditing all deposits, withdrawals, checks, and receipts.

Duties of First Vice President

The duties of the First Vice President are the following:

- a. To serve and ~~protect the interests~~ ~~protect interests~~ of all members of NEBA.

- b. To perform the duties of the President in the President's absence.
- c. To approve the use of funds dispersed via checks, debit cards, or electronic payments in the NEBA Manager's absence.

Duties of Second Vice President

The duties of the Second Vice President are the following:

- a. To protect the interests of all members of NEBA.
- b. To perform the duties of the First Vice President in the First Vice President's absence.

Duties of the Tournament Director

The responsibilities of the Tournament Director are the following:

- a. To serve and ~~protect the interests~~protect interests of all members of NEBA.
- b. To conduct tournaments in accordance with the Bylaws & Tournament Rules.
- c. To be available at the tournament site for the duration of the tournament.
- d. To make all rulings relative to the Bylaws and Tournament Rules during a tournament.
- e. To resolve, fairly and justly, all disputes and protests, and handle all exceptional situations that occur during a tournament.
- f. To immediately suspend any member who, in the opinion of the Tournament Director or a Board member, violates Bylaws or Tournament Rules or engages in behavior that injures or destroys the reputation or standing of NEBA.

The Tournament Director may appoint assistants who meet the approval of the Board.

Duties of Manager

The duties of the ~~Manager~~Secretary/Treasurer are the following:

To serve and protect interests of all members of NEBA

Administrative

- a. To keep the minutes of all meetings held by NEBA, to write up and send the minutes out for approval within two days of the meeting, and to gather feedback, post, and email the minutes to the general membership within one week of the meetings.
- b. To issue the call for such meetings at the direction of the President. To collect topics and publish the agenda for the meetings.
- c. To perform the duties of statistician which includes records of all scores, participant averages, and ~~all~~keep up to date all statistical categories for which there are year-end prizes. These statistics shall be updated within one week after each completed tournament and forwarded to the NEBA webmaster.
- d. To publish on the NEBA website and by email a tournament recap no later than 24 hours after each tournament completes that shall include the results, prize list, and income and

disbursements for the previous tournament. If two tournaments are held on the same weekend, they may be combined into one recap. It shall also include a listing for the next scheduled tournament, and as appropriate, minutes of the previous month's Board Meeting, and the agenda and voting items for the next scheduled Board Meeting.

- e. To inform the Board of any requests for access to the NEBA mailing list. Approval of the Board shall be required for any such access. The Board shall also determine what fee is to be charged for such access.
- f. To facilitate email mailings for surveys, promotions, or other purposes in a timely manner.

Financial

- a. To coordinate tournament prize lists with the Tournament Director and the tournament committee for special tournaments.
- b. To keep the financial statements of NEBA and collect all money belonging to or due to NEBA, and to deposit them into a checking account in the name of the New England Bowlers' Association. This account shall have four signatures, those of the President, NEBA Manager, First Vice President, and Tournament Director, any two of which are required for any withdrawal. All funds collected onsite at a tournament shall be deposited on the next business day.
- c. To cosign, with the President, First Vice President, or Tournament Director, all checks drawn on the funds of NEBA.
- d. To report, in writing, the state of the finances of NEBA when required to do so by the Board, and to provide the President with a monthly statement for verification. Such statements shall be made available to the Board of Directors at least one week before any upcoming Board of Directors meetings.
- e. To present a written report each December showing the financial status of NEBA for the year and to publish the report as part of the Annual Meeting minutes.
- f. ~~The NEBA Manager may appoint assistants who meet the approval of the Board. In the absence of the NEBA Manager at a tournament site, the Board members present shall approve an acting NEBA Manager for that tournament.~~
- g. ~~To issue 1099s and other required tax documents as needed.~~
- h. To generate invoices for sponsors as needed upon direction from the sponsorship committee. All funds collected from sponsors shall be deposited within two business days of receipt.

Duties of Member at Large

The duties of a Member at Large are the following:

- a. To serve and ~~protect the interests~~protect interests of all members of NEBA.
- b. To assist in the management of NEBA by attending Board meetings and voting on issues before the Board.
- c. To assist in the operation of tournaments as requested.

Board of Directors Code of Conduct

Each individual Board Member recognizes and acknowledges that by accepting a position on the Board, they become an official representative of the NEBA Organization. Accordingly, it is expected that each individual member of the Board shall conduct themselves and represent the NEBA Organization in a manner consistent with the highest levels of integrity and professionalism, shall behave themselves with proper decorum and behavior, and at all times shall demonstrate respect for other members of the Board and all NEBA members. A NEBA Board member may be subject to discipline, suspension, or removal from the Board, consistent with the NEBA rules, procedures, and bylaws, for failure to adhere to the Code of Conduct.

An alleged violation of the Code of Conduct shall be brought in writing and be presented in front of the NEBA Board being duly constituted under the Bylaws. A hearing shall be held, consistent with the Bylaws at the next available tournament, after due notice to the Board, and the individual subject to the alleged violation shall have the opportunity to present relevant information of whatever form to the Board. Consistent with the [Meeting Quorum](#) section of the Bylaws, the Board shall vote, by secret ballot, as to whether the violation was founded or unfounded and a majority vote by the Board shall be sufficient. The NEBA Manager shall archive all ballots. If the Board determines the violation to be founded, the Board shall have a further hearing to determine the proper remedy for the violation. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the Board may formally reprimand or censure a violator, impose a fine, suspension, or ~~removal~~remove of the violator from the Board, or impose any combination of remedies thereof, with a majority vote being sufficient. In the event of no majority vote, the Tournament Director shall cast the deciding vote relative to whether or not a violation occurred and/or the appropriate remedy in the event of a ~~found~~founded Violation.

Committees

From time to time, the Board of Directors may create a committee for purposes of studying a particular issue(s), developing policy for NEBA, creating new programs for NEBA or otherwise assisting the Board of Directors in the execution of their various functions. The Board of Directors, upon determining the need for a committee, may create said committee for said determined need by the Board. The Board will solicit members in good standing and the President will nominate and confirm said members to form the committee with the consent of the Board of Directors. The committee will report regularly to the Board at each board meeting as to their progress until the stated purpose of the committee has been completed. At such time, the committee shall present to the Board a full report of their work for the Board of Directors' review and, depending on the issue presented, vote by the Board of Directors or by the membership at the Annual Meeting. Upon completion of the committee's purpose, the committee shall be disbanded. Certain committees may be so-called "standing" committees and by their very nature, their work will be ongoing and continuous. With regard to standing committees, they will report at each Board Meeting as to their work that they are conducting and to provide reports as requested or required. The rules with regard to formation and nomination

of members to any given committee shall not apply to the Hall of Fame Committee, which shall follow a different set of procedures.

Hall of Fame Committee

NEBA shall maintain a standing committee charged with the administration of the Hall of Fame including but not limited to: a periodic review of member titles to determine member eligibility for the Hall of Fame for Superior Performance based on the criteria that follow below as well as maintaining an updated list of those members that are within six (6) points or less from eligibility, nomination of individuals for induction for Service, scheduling Hall of Fame induction ceremonies, and considering any proposed changes to the Hall of Fame points criteria. The Hall of Fame Committee shall be noted by the Board of Directors as it is currently composed at the time of the adoption of these bylaws. Upon adoption of the bylaws, the Committee shall be increased to nine (9) members. The Hall of Fame Committee, solely and exclusively, shall identify, nominate, and select qualified members to get the committee to nine (9) members. Only NEBA members who have been inducted into the Hall of Fame for Superior Performance shall be eligible for nomination and selection to the Hall of Fame Committee. The committee members shall remain on the committee permanently until a committee member submits in writing to the Hall of Fame Committee an expressed desire to no longer be on the Committee. In such an event, the committee shall then, consistent with the above-delineated procedures, select a new committee member.

Statement of Intent

In 2017, the Hall of Fame Committee released criteria for members in good standing to be eligible for induction into the NEBA Hall of Fame for Superior Performance. In order to avoid any appearance of favoritism or an appearance of impropriety, a point system was developed that by its very design was highly exacting, rigorous, and demanding. By doing so, induction into the Hall of Fame for Superior Performance would be an elite achievement reserved solely for those members who have demonstrated excellence and superior achievement in NEBA tournaments over a number of seasons. The point system was developed “blindly” and “objectively” so that when it was created, nobody would have any knowledge of who would be inducted after creation of the system. It was the intent of the Hall of Fame Committee, at the time of the release of the criteria, that induction in the Hall of Fame for Superior Performance be deemed an elite achievement in NEBA. For the Hall of Fame to have any meaning and credibility, the Superior Performance category must maintain not only the objective point system but that any changes to the point system must be based on objective, unbiased reasons and for exceptional cause only and at all times, must maintain the highly exacting, rigorous, and demanding standard for induction. In the end, the Hall of Fame Committee went to great pains to develop the point system criteria and said criteria must not be changed absent an objective, unbiased reason, and for exceptional cause, and any proposed changes must keep this statement of intent as the overarching standard.

Procedure for Changes to Hall of Fame Criteria

Any member who has a proposal for changes to the Hall of Fame criteria for induction on the basis for Superior Performance shall submit such proposal in writing to the Board of Directors. The member submitting any such proposal shall state in detail the proposed change as well as an objective, unbiased reason for any such proposal (Example: NEBA hosts a tournament with a format that is not covered by the Hall of Fame criteria, a proposal to award points for that tournament would be in good order for consideration as there would be an objective, unbiased reason for modifying criteria). The proposal must also be signed by the proponent of the proposal and the proponent must certify that any such proposal will have “no impact” on the proponent’s eligibility, if any, for the Superior Performance category of the Hall of Fame. No impact is defined as bringing the proponent six (6) or less points toward Hall of Fame induction. Under no circumstances shall Hall of Fame points be awarded for anything other than a tournament win or a first place finish in any “of the year” category. Any proposal to retroactively award points to a category not previously listed below must easily and reasonably subject to research without undue or unreasonable inconvenience of the NEBA Manager and capable of being applied to the entire NEBA membership that qualify both past and present (Example: award Hall of Fame points to a Women’s event would be in good order as it is easily subject to research without undue or unreasonable inconvenience and would be able to be applied to those who have won). Any proposal to change Hall of Fame criteria, consistent with the procedures that follow, shall be voted on at the Annual Meeting. Upon receipt of the written proposal, the Board of Directors will forward that written proposal to the Hall of Fame Committee who will do an independent verification of the “no impact” requirement. The Hall of Fame Committee will then convene and discuss the proposal. The standard for the Committee to decide any change to the point system is an objective, unbiased reason, and for exceptional cause. After discussion of the proposal, the entire Hall of Fame committee shall vote on the proposal. In order for the proposal to be referred out of the Hall of Fame Committee for consideration by the membership at the Annual Meeting, eighty percent (80%) of the Committee must vote in favor of the change. In the event the proposal does not receive an eighty percent (80%) vote, the proposal will not be referred out of the Committee for vote and the Committee shall report to the Board of Directors that the proposal will not be referred out of committee. The Committee shall maintain minutes on any proposals, record the votes and maintain the vote tally. In the event that the proposal receives an eighty percent (80%) vote of approval from the Committee, then the Committee shall refer the proposal to the Board of Directors for inclusion on the agenda for the Annual Meeting. No such referred proposal shall pass at the Annual Meeting without a $\frac{3}{4}$ vote in favor of the proposal. In the event that a proposal passes, then the Hall of Fame Committee will take the proposal and update their list of those close to induction to determine eligibility. In the event that any proposal does not get referred out of committee, or does not pass the Annual Meeting, any exact same or similar proposal may not be brought again for five (5) years.

Eligibility/Criteria

To be eligible for the NEBA Hall of Fame, Superior Performance Category, a member must meet the following criteria:

1. NEBA Member for a minimum of ten (10) years.
2. Won titles or Bowler of the Year (BOY, Senior, Super Senior) awards in three (3) or more different years.
3. Accumulate thirty-six (36) NEBA Hall of Fame Points based on the following list
 - a. Bowler of the Year 12 points
 - b. Senior Bowler of the Year 2 points
 - c. Super Senior Bowler of the Year 2 points
 - d. Singles Title 6 points
 - e. Tournament of Champions Title 6 points
 - f. Doubles Title 6 points
 - g. Invitational/Point Leader Title 6 points
 - h. NEBA Masters Title 6 points
 - i. Over/Under Title 3 points
 - j. Non-Champions Title 2 points
 - k. Senior Title 2 points
 - l. Trios Title 2 points
 - m. Singles Title prior to 1991 12 points
 - n. NEBA High-Roller Title 3 points
 - o. NEBA Over 40 Title 2 points

Membership

Requirements

NEBA Membership is open to all bowlers who meet the following criteria:

- a. Processes a current USBC membership card. The USBC membership card may be obtained when applying for membership by paying the current annual USBC fee.
- b. Has attained the age of 18, or has graduated from high school, or has written approval from a parent or guardian in accordance with the current USBC rules.
- c. Any PBA or PWBA member that has not won a PBA, PWBA, or PBA50 national tournament in the past five (5) years (U.S. Open and USBC Masters are exempt) or is not in the top 40 on the national PBA points list for the prior season.
 - i. Any NEBA member in good standing who wins a national title and maintains their NEBA membership can continue to compete in NEBA.

Application

Application shall be made on a form prescribed by NEBA and accompanied by the membership fee to the NEBA Manager. Should an applicant be denied membership for failure to meet the membership requirements, the membership fee shall be returned to the applicant ~~minus a \$2 handling fee.~~

Membership Fee

- \$25 for New Member and Membership Renewal
- No fee for Honorary and Military Service members

Honorary Memberships

Honorary memberships may be granted after a candidate is nominated and subsequently approved by the Board. Honorary members shall not be allowed to vote or to participate in any tournaments held by NEBA.

Honored Time Memberships

Members who have been NEBA members for 30 years or purchased first membership 30 years ago and have not missed one or multiple membership years without substantive reason are eligible for \$0 membership with the automatic renew option. Status will be known as Honored Time Members. ~~A three member committee will accept & review applications.~~

Members in Active Military Service

Members called into military service shall be granted continued membership until discharge. ~~Military service members shall not be allowed to hold office or to vote, but shall be allowed to participate in NEBA tournaments.~~

Fees

NEBA collects membership fees on a calendar year basis. Membership fees collected after November 1 shall apply to the next calendar year. The annual membership fees shall be as follows:

- a. New Members & Membership Renewal- Determined by the Board
- b. Honorary and Military Service members - no fee

Acceptance of Bylaws and Tournament Rules

Upon payment of the membership fee, a member is entitled to enjoy the privileges of membership and is considered to have accepted the Bylaws and Tournament Rules.

Member in Good Standing

A member in good standing shall meet all of the following criteria:

- a. Membership fees have been paid in full.
- b. No fines are outstanding.

- c. No disciplinary action is pending

Any member that meets the preceding criteria and has paid the NEBA membership in full and is not subject to disciplinary action under USBC and/or NEBA rules and bylaws shall be deemed a member in good standing for that calendar year.

Benefits for a Member in Good Standing

A member in good standing is entitled to all of the following benefits:

- a. To participate in all regularly scheduled tournaments
~~To receive the monthly NEBA newsletter~~
- b. To vote in general elections
- c. To hold a NEBA office

Suspensions

The Tournament Director has the power to immediately suspend any member who, in the opinion of the Tournament Director or a Board member, violates the Bylaws or Tournament Rules, or engages in behavior that injures or destroys the reputation or standing of NEBA. A suspended member shall be notified in writing and given the privilege of a hearing before the Board. The hearing to determine the length of suspension shall be held at the next tournament site.

Board Meetings

All meetings of the Board shall be open to any NEBA member in good standing. Only members of the Board shall be allowed to vote. A Board member must be present to vote; no proxy voting shall be allowed.

The agenda for a board meeting must be published ~~in the NEBA newsletter~~ **on the NEBA Website and emailed to the members in the NEBA newsletter** prior to the board meeting. Other motions from the floor may be put on the agenda for the next board meeting.

All rule changes for consideration by the Board shall be brought to the attention of the Board by means of a proposal in writing and placing said proposal on the agenda prior to the meeting for which the matter is to be considered. The board shall only consider the proposal as written by the person proffering the proposal. Any variation of the proposal shall be brought as an additional proposal. Any so-called “new business” related to rule changes shall no longer be considered by the board at any meeting. In the event that a rule change or other such proposal should arise that required immediate attention of the board, the member(s) of the board desiring to address said issue shall notify the Board by email of the rule change and request the Board convene at the next tournament. The Board shall then vote to determine whether or not a

meeting should take place to discuss the issue. A majority vote of the Board shall be sufficient to call a meeting. Should the Board vote to convene a special meeting, the meeting shall then be published in the NEBA newsletter and posted on the NEBA website along with the rule change to be considered as to put the entire membership on notice of the meeting and the rule change.

The Board shall vote on all items & issues including changing Tournament Rules. A majority vote of a quorum of the Board shall be required to pass any issue. No vote on any issue shall pass unless a quorum of current board members are present at the meeting except at the Annual Meeting except on monetary issues. Monetary issues required a quorum of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the Board present and $\frac{2}{3}$ approval to pass.

Meetings will be run using [Robert's Rules of Order](#)

Meeting Quorum

A quorum will consist of fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) of the sum of the current executive board plus the current at-large board members. To meet this quorum, there must be a minimum of two (2) current executive board members and a minimum of two (2) current at-large members.

In the event that a quorum is not achieved via the above criteria, a quorum may be achieved by having two (2) members of the current executive board plus two (2) members of the current at-large board plus any other members of the Board of Directors, including past presidents, in good standing, to reach the fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) quorum requirements.

Example: There are five (5) executive board members. If there are eight (8) at-large members then the quorum number will be fifty percent (50%) of five plus eight (5+8), then add one (1) so six plus one (6+1) would mean seven (7) members are needed to make a quorum. If there are nine (9) at large members then fifty percent (50%) of five plus nine (5+9) then add one (1) would mean eight (8) members are needed to make a quorum.

~~The number of Board members present, regardless of number, shall constitute a quorum. A majority vote of a quorum of the Board shall be required to pass any issue.~~

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting shall be held in December prior to the new NEBA bowling season. This meeting is open to all NEBA members. The Annual Meeting must be an in-person meeting, though an online meeting platform can be provided, and is to be held at 9:30am Sunday at the site of the last scheduled NEBA tournament of the calendar year. Only non-board members in good standing, who have bowled a minimum of three (3) tournaments during that calendar year, are eligible to participate and vote during the meeting. Board members are exempt from this tournament requirement. ~~The members present, regardless of the number, shall constitute a quorum.~~

These bylaws may be amended only at the Annual Meeting, provided that a quorum has been met, by a majority of those voting. Any bylaw changes to be voted on must have been submitted in writing to the NEBA Manager by November 15 for communication via email, social media, and updates to the NEBA website or publication in the September NEBA Newsletter or publication in the October newsletter prior to the October/November meeting. The “thirty-five mile” rule shall be waived for any member attending the Annual Meeting.

Election of Board Members

Biannually at the Annual Meeting in November, the following Board members shall be elected by a simple majority of those voting:

- a. Second Vice President
- b. Any other elected positions that are vacant

Candidates for all elected positions must be submitted to the NEBA Manager, in writing, for publication in the November NEBA Newsletter and thirty (30) days prior to any elections. In the event no written applications are received for an open position, thirty (30) days prior to the election, nominations for that position shall be accepted from the floor during the Annual Meeting Board meeting. Any candidate must have been a member in good standing for one (1) year. Any member restricted from participation in another organization’s activities or tournaments shall not be eligible to hold any NEBA position, elected or appointed.

Succession to President

On a biannual basis, the First Vice President assumes the role of President and the Second Vice President assumes the role of the First Vice President. The NEBA President shall hold a two (2) year term of office starting January 1st of the year following the completion of the previous President’s term.

Compensation

On a calendar year basis, members of the NEBA Board of Directors are compensated according to their attendance at scheduled Board meetings and work on committees. The monies will be used toward entry to a tournament or future membership.

- a. \$25.00 per board meeting attended
- b. Committee Work
 - i. Chairman to receive a one-time \$25.00 award
 - ii. Committee members to receive a one-time \$20.00 award
 - iii. The chairman is responsible for reporting whether committee members are active to the NEBA Manager Tournament Director