STMA Board Meeting Report

The STMA Board met on July 11th and 12th, 1997, at the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio, a possible site for use in future national or regional meetings.

Board members reviewed current financial reports and the auditors report from fiscal year 1996. STMA has improved its financial stability from June 30th of 1996 to June 30th of 1997 and, as directed at the last Board meeting, has established an interest-bearing account for reserve funds, the expenditure of which may only be authorized by a two-thirds vote of the STMA Board.

Following a review of past decisions on scholarship and awards programs, the Awards and Scholarship Committee presented their recommendations for changes to the Board. These were unanimously approved. (See the article on pages 12 and 13.)

The Mid-Atlantic Athletic Field Managers Organization (MAFMO Chapter STMA) completed the requirements for affiliation and was officially recognized by the Board. The Board expressed thanks to the 1997 Chapter Sponsors for the funding that allows on-site visits to affiliated chapters and selected active forming chapters that are making significant progress toward affiliation. Planned site visits were discussed. The Nominations Committee asked that a call for nominations for the Board positions which will come up for vote in 1998 be made in the next newsletter. (See article on page 9.)

The Certification Committee reported that following their August 2nd meeting, they will be putting together the formal recommendation for Board consideration at the November meeting in preparation for official introduction of the program to STMA members at the 1998 Conference.

Conference details were a major focus of this Board Meeting with Conference Chair Steve Guise, Program Chair Mary Owen, Exhibits Chair Bob Curry, committee members Murray Cook, Dr. Henry Indyk and Eugene Mayer all in attendance. After study of the Conference budget, registration fees for member attendees were set at \$275 for early registration; \$300 for late registration. Non-member, student and single day attendance fees are being established according to this base figure.

More on this Board Meeting in the next issue.

The Board's next meeting is November 14th and 15th in Mesa, AZ, site of the 1999 STMA Annual Conference.

Member input is always welcome. Please contact Headquarters or any of your Board members. *STM*



