

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT BOARD

Fifty-eight old members renewed their affiliations together with two new members.

The first meeting was held in Harrisburg attended by approximately 75 board members and coaches. The rules and the approved changes were gone over in detail and all points in question straightened out.

Meetings were then held every two weeks for board members; considerable benefit was derived by everyone attending these open meetings.

Three examinations were held. There was a total of 24 applicants given the examination.

A proposed Local Board in Williamsport and vicinity has been formed consisting of 11 present board members and it is proposed to present this application at the State Board meeting for approval.

RHODE ISLAND DISTRICT BOARD

Membership at the present time 28.

Regular monthly meetings were held during the past year including a demonstration game.

A new method of accepting members inaugurated this year which requires applicants after having passed satisfactory floor tests and written examination to serve one season as a probationer before being taken on the Board as a regular member. In order to give these men experience they have been assigned to games as a second official to work with regular Board members without pay, in this way gaining experience and giving basketball coaches an opportunity to see them in action.

This plan has been very successful the past season not only as a method of training new officials but making it possible for many schools to have two officials for important games without the added expense and also lightening the burden of one official in having to handle a hard, fast game on a big floor alone.

TENNESSEE STATE BOARD

This Board has experienced its greatest year in every way: membership, prestige, interpretation meetings, number of tournaments and games worked, firm support of the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association, and uniformity of interpretation of the rules.

The membership in 1931 was thirty-three, and 1932 shows a gain of twenty-seven bringing the total to sixty. About ten others applied but they failed in the examination. The Board has been popular.

Three interpretation meetings were held in three different parts of the state. All meetings were well attended, rules were discussed, mechanics of officiating were explained for the benefit of the younger members.