

1. PURPOSE

To provide guidelines for the application and awarding of the Edmonton Basketball Officials Association's (EBOA) annual scholarship program.

2. SCOPE

These policies apply to all EBOA members

3. BACKGROUND

Dave Buffie, Angie Celino, and Daryl Paustian are former EBOA members of the association who are sadly no longer with us. Their personal commitment, infectious spirit and contributions to our community had a profound impact on the lives of several other EBOA members. To honor their lives, the membership created and named a scholarship in each of their names.

Dave Buffie was a long-time member of the EBOA and was widely respected across the province, having refereed at the Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS), Canadian Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA), Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference (ACAC) and High School levels for several years. "Whenever Dave walked into a gym to referee, everyone was reassured that the game would be in good hands and he would keep it safe, fair and fun."

Angie Celino embodied a legacy of relentless dedication and passion by officiating both Stand up and Wheelchair Basketball and for the Edmonton Basketball Officials Association. Through her tireless hard work and promotion of referees Angie became an ambassador for the EBOA. Those attributes were recognized within the basketball community. She was an ACAC official who contributed and committed to the mentoring and evaluation of officials to promote development and education of the EBOA and its officials. She lived a life that is an example of perseverance, determination and pride.

Daryl Paustian dedicated a lifetime to basketball officiating as an active member of the EBOA for over 30 years. He achieved success officiating provincially, nationally and internationally, in both able bodied and wheelchair basketball. He served on the EBOA Executive for six years in a number of different capacities. He also served on the ABOA's Provincial Evaluation Committee with a focus and commitment to the development and education of officials.

4. DEFINITIONS

EBOA – Edmonton Basketball Officials association

5. BYLAW REFERENCE

Powers and Duties of the Executive - Section 6(1)(g)

Duties of the Executive Officer - Section 6.9.6

6. POLICY

The intent of this policy is to streamline the scholarship application process to become more accessible and transparent for the membership.

The EBOA will budget annually an allocation to each scholarship in the following amounts:

- a. Dave Buffie Scholarship Fund
 - i. \$500.00 - To be dispersed as a single lump sum
- b. Angie Celino Scholarship Fund
 - i. Up to \$1000.00 - To be dispersed as up to four (4) individual \$250.00 lump sums
- c. Daryl Paustian Scholarship Fund
 - i. Up to \$1500.00 - To be dispersed as up to six (6) individual \$250.00 lump sums

Each member must meet the following criteria to qualify for the scholarship:

- a. Dave Buffie Scholarship:
 - i. An active member of the EBOA in Good Standing
 - ii. Members must be 22 years of age or younger as of September 1 of each calendar year.
- b. Angie Celino Scholarship:
 - i. An active member of the EBOA in Good Standing
 - ii. Registered and paid for a basketball officiating educational opportunity (I.e. Basketball Officials Camp / Refereeing Evaluator's Training) within the application period.
 - iii. A student enrolled in either secondary or post secondary education within the application period.

- c. Daryl Paustian Scholarship:
 - i. An active member of the EBOA in Good Standing
 - ii. Registered and paid for a basketball officiating educational opportunity (I.e. Basketball Officials Camp / Refereeing Evaluator's Training) within the application period.

7. PROCEDURE

Application Process

1. Dave Buffie Scholarship

- a. The application window for this scholarship will open on September 1 and close on September 30.
- b. Members will submit via email their application to the director of administration.
- c. Applicants will submit a maximum 300 word essay including the following topics:
 - i. The official's current season officiating goals.
 - ii. The official's future officiating goals.
 - iii. Provide an example of how they have been a positive ambassador for the EBOA.
 - iv. Demonstrate / explain their financial need.
- d. All applications will be provided to the family of Dave Buffie. Dave Buffie's family will decide which applicant will be selected to receive the scholarship.
- e. Fund for this application will be disbursed by November 15.

2. Angie Celino Scholarship

- a. The application period for this scholarship will begin on February 1 and end on June 30.
- b. Members will submit via email to the director of administration the required documentation including:
 - i. Name and contact information of the development opportunity
 - ii. Dates of the opportunity
 - iii. Confirmation of full payment
 - iv. Confirmation of enrolment in either a secondary or postsecondary institution.
- c. Applications meeting the requirements will be approved on a first come first serve basis until the designated funds are exhausted.

3. Daryl Paustian Scholarship

- a. The application period for this scholarship will begin on February 1 and end on June 30.
- b. Members will submit via email to the director of administration the required documentation including:
 - i. Name and contact information of the development opportunity
 - ii. Dates of the opportunity
 - iii. Confirmation of full payment
- c. Applications meeting the requirements will be approved on a first come first serve basis until the designated funds are exhausted.

4. Additional Conditions - Daryl Paustian and Angie Celino Scholarship Only

- a. Members may only receive one of either the Daryl Paustian or Angie Celino scholarship per application period.
- b. Funds shall be dispersed within 30 days of receiving the application.
- c. Membership shall be notified once the funds have been allocated.

EBOA members will adhere to the procedures set out, and in the event, something is not covered; the decision will rest with the voting members of the executive members.

To ensure this policy aligns with the desire of the membership, the policy must be reviewed at a minimum of every three years.

Status / Schedule	Date
Introduced for Feedback	February 10, 2023
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