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Abstract<br>A Survey of North Carolina High School<br>Basketball Coaches' Attitudes<br>Toward Officials<br>by Scott Haines Colclough

The purpose of this study was to determine the prevailing attitudes of North Carolina high school basketball coaches toward officials. Based upon the coaches' responses to a 22-item opinionnaire, the writer attempted a comparison: (a) among coaches' attitudes from the smallest to the largest classification and (b) between boys' and girls' basketball coaches' attitudes. Data for the study were based upon a $75 \%$ response of both head coaches from 80 randomly selected high schools. This represented a total sample of 60 high schools and 120 coaches' responses. Statistically, the data were analyzed by use of the one-way analysis of variance. Significance was determined as below the .05 level of confidence with correlated $t$ tests to help identify where the significant differences existed. Descriptive analyses consisted of mean scores, raw scores, and percentages for each item. Boys' coaches were significantly more receptive to officials being in complete control of the
game than girls' coaches. There were no significant differences between coaches' attitudes from the smallest to the largest classification. It was concluded that coaches: (A) prefer officials who take control of the game without misusing their position of authority; (B) respect officials' position of authority, honesty, and integrity; (C) feel very strongly that a certain personality and temperament are necessary for successful officiating; (D) feel that a basketball background would be a better prerequisite than honesty and/or psychological testing for screening officials; (E) question whether officials work hard every game--this was more important than the perception of officiating as an avocation; (F) doubt officials' impartiality in game administration; (G) realize the importance of a knowledge and understanding of the rule book for themselves and officials; (H) believe that consistency, in the application of the rules, proper mechanics, and court positioning are essential to good officiating: (I) appear concerned about the quantity and quality of new officials and feel they should assist in the recruiting of officials; and (J) would rather improve the quality of two officials than add a third.

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## Chapter I

## Introduction

The importance of athletics in our society is well documented yet often criticized. The attitude of win at all costs appears too prevalent in athletics and possibly in American society. Media hype and other societal pressures seem as evident in basketball as in any other sport in America today.

All of the aforementioned factors seem to affect the objectivity of the coaches, players, and spectators, particularly as they relate to officiating. Consciously or unconsciously, persons having any association or loyalty to a particular team seem to develop a biased view of most officials' calls. This attitude places a tremendous burden upon the officials as, supposedly, the only unbiased people at the basketball game. Coaches, players, and spectators should respect the officials' role of authority; they provide a third dimension to the game. In the words of Ronnie Carter (1985), Assistant Executive Director of the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association, "The role of officials in all sports is critical. The important part that they play cannot be stressed enough" (p. 5).

## Background

Literature associated with sports officiating is very limited and general. This investigator found just five sports officiating textbooks which are used primarily in sports officiating classes required of physical education and recreation majors. The format of these texts includes a general introduction concerning officiating protocol followed by an overview of the rules for a variety of sports.

Articles and research relevant to officiating are more plentiful than textbooks. The editors of Referee, the only periodical found devoted solely to officiating, conducted a survey of its subscribers in 1977 ("Reader Survey," 1978). The findings revealed that the majority of the subscribers, 71\%, officiated basketball. Clegg and Thompson (1985) stated: "Athletic experts commonly believe basketball to be the most difficult and demanding sport to officiate" (p. 57). This might help explain why basketball is written about and researched more than the other sports.

Most of the officiating literature dealt with male officials and sports prior to the passage of Title IX in 1972. Since then the majority of the writing and research concerning officiating has been conducted by women in regard to female officials and sports.

For the purpose of this study, the literature regarding sports officiating can be separated into four categories
which are: evaluation of officials, training of officials, characteristics of officials, and the role of officials.

Early literature about officiating dealt with rating scales and testing as a means of evaluating officials. One of the first articles dealing with basketball officiating was by Schleman (1932), a proponent of a written test to evaluate as well as train physical education majors in officiating. M. S. Scott's scorecard (1937) perpetuated the testing and training of potential basketball officials. The topic of officials' training has permeated the literature through to the present, especially the area of intramural officials. Since the 1970s training of officials has shared the focus of literary attention alongside characteristics, traits, and personality profiles. Schurr and Philipp (1971) found no evidence to indicate an "official's personality," while others conclude such characteristics do exist. This controversy has yet to be resolved.

The final and most salient area of literature addressed the role of the sports official as perceived by himself and others--coaches, players, and spectators. The first article pertaining to officials' role, "Officials in America" (Wyrick, 1966) incorporated distinct groups' views of officials. Coaches, the most pertinent group to this study, seemed to view the officials as the enemy, second to the
opposing team, and second in importance to them (coaches) in controlling the game.

Sappington (1976) investigated the role of women's basketball officials as perceived by college officials, coaches, players, and spectators in Iowa. A 53-item questionnaire was used to determine 19 Iowa college women's basketball coaches' perception of the role of officials. The items were clustered into eight discrete categories by a panel of five judges. Items were further categorized as consensus or nonconsensus based upon responses. The criteria for consensus was that $80 \%$ of the respondents' opinions among and within groups be in one direction (Strongly Agree, Agree, and Neutral or Strongly Disagree, Disgree, and Neutral). Fourteen of the items failed to yield a consensus and those nonconsensus items represented potential sources of role conflict for the official of women's intercollegiate basketball.

Sappington (1976) found statistically significant differences among opinions based upon the responses of the four groups of subjects. The source of these differences was not identified.

Fritz (1979) investigated the officials', coaches', and players' perceptions of the authoritarian role of officials. Twelve Wisconsin girls' basketball coaches were the subjects for this study. There were no statistically significant
differences among the three groups' perceptions of officials' authority. However, the coaches and players did perceive the officials to be less authoritative than the officials perceived themselves. The responses of the coaches and players were very similar which supported the findings of Wyrick (1966), "Players, of course, emulate their coaches and managers, and there is reason to suspect that coaches play a large part in the development of player attitudes and sportsmanship" (p. 36). Two areas where coaches' and players' responses differed concerned officials' honesty and education. Players perceived officials to be slightly honest and educated, while coaches perceived officials as being quite honest and high1y educated. These perceptual differences may be explained by coaches' comments toward and about officials during and after games. As Kennedy (1976) concluded, "Spectators tend to blame the officials if their favorite team is defeated and are more inclined to believe that there are times the team must beat the officials as well as the opponent" (p. 4214). Too often coaches seem to rationalize their team's defeat in a similar manner.

Nelson (1979) studied the relationships among support for political authority, support for sports officials, and disrespectful behavior towards sports officials. Four groups (women athletes, women nonathletes, men athletes, and men nonathletes) indicated their levels of support for the
authority figures of president, police officer, and referee-umpire. No significant differences in mean support were found between groups. Nelson (1979) concluded that:

1. There was a similarity between support expressed for "president," "police officer," and "referee-umpire" in all groups tested. This finding suggests that the referee-umpire is seen as an authority figure much like political authority.
2. Expressed support for the authority figures of "president," "police officer," and "referee-umpire" was only slightly positive.
3. The level of expressed support for authority varied according to sport of participation.
4. Men approved of disrespectful behavior significantly more than women. (pp. 133, 134)

The study indicated that sports are a reflection of the political system of our society. Interestingly, the level of support was higher for referee-umpire than president or police officer in all groups except women nonathletes. Basketball players expressed significantly less support for authority than did athletes from any other sport.

This literature indicates how differently the role of officials is perceived by the people involved with sports. Basketball coaches' perceptions could be the most important and meaningful in an attempt to upgrade basketball
officiating. However, two studies consisting of basketball coaches from 12 high school girls' teams and 19 college girls' teams may not adequately reflect coaches' attitudes toward officials. Perhaps a study with a larger number of subjects would provide a more realistic perception of coaches' attitudes toward officials.

## Significance

'More than one official of national stature has warned us that the good officials are being run out of the business. They are afraid of bodily harm in some instances" (Wyrick, 1966, p. 66). This threat of violence associated with sporting events is a very real danger for officials, coaches, participants, and spectators in today's society. The "California Report" and "A Day of Horror and Shame" help to certify the seriousness of the situation (Gammon, 1985; Hansen, 1985).

Kennedy's (1976) study illustrated how spectators are directly influenced by the actions of the coaches and players. Related literature attests to the importance of the coaches' role as having a tremendous influence upon the players as well as the spectators. Players' court demeanor and attitude toward officials can be a direct reflection of their coaches.

The officials and coaches are in a position to set the tone for the game and the mood of the crowd. The preparation programs for people to fill the vital jobs of
officials and coaches have been described as "spotty and haphazard" by the United States President's Commission on Olympic Sports (1977a, p. 94). The Commission indicated that "judges, officials, and other workers often do not receive adequate training or periodic testing, all of which can work to the detriment of athletes" (1977a, p. 94). Better training and continuous evaluation of officials and coaches should help improve basketball for everyone involved.

Upon hearing officials and coaches discussing their problems at a conference, the great ex-UCLA coach, John Wooden (1980), stated, "both groups seemed to feel that the main problem was a mutual lack of trust and faith in each group for the other" (p. 406). Wyrick (1966) expressed similar sentiments:

Coaches think officials are too old and too fat, "homers," either picky and whistle-prone or so lax they let anything short of firearms go, and inclined to tighten up on crucial plays. On the other hand, officials blame coaches for denouncing referees to cover up their own failures. (p. 66) This reflects the lack of compatability of the two groups and could possibly be due to a misconception of each other's role.

Coach Wooden (1980) perceived ignorance regarding rules and rule interpretations to be the foundation for problems between officials and coaches. He wrote:

Most of the serious problems seem to be the result of the administration of the rules by the officials and the lack of proper teaching of the rules by the coaches. Too many of us do not teach our players to abide by the rules, but look for ways to beat or get around the rules. In other words, we teach evasion of the rules and look for technicalities that would permit us to beat a rule rather than attempting to teach and live up to the spirit of the rule. (p. 405)

However, a fundamental knowledge of the rules is not enough, although it appears to be a step in the right direction. As Mitchell (1949) recommended in his text, officiating schools and camps should upgrade those presently in the profession. Dodson (1952) stated that "joint sessions of coaches and officials for demonstrations and clinics on rule interpretations and officiating techniques are desirable" (p. 13). It has taken 30 years to get the former recommendation initiated and the latter has yet to be instituted.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA, 1985) reported, "The NCAA Special Committee on Basketball Officiating has submitted a proposal to the Executive Committee to create a position for a national coordinator of
men's basketball officiating and a certification system" (p. 3). This seems to be an excellent idea, but the proposal is only for Division $I$ men's basketball officials. This should improve officiating; however, it does not address the attitude problem between officials and coaches.

The lack of cooperation between the two groups extends beyond the court. Coaches do not seem to favor joint clinics or seminars. The only apparent reasons for separate but simultaneous camps are to provide a game for the officials to work and to prevent the coaches and counselors from having to officiate. There is no real interaction between the two groups, no exchange of ideas, opinions, or attitudes in regard to the understanding, interpretation, and application of rules, roles, or codes of conduct. A prime example of the gap between officials and coaches is the NCAA Special Committee on Basketball Officiating. Having just recommended a certification program for officials, this committee is composed of two conference commissioners and five coaches. Mutual faith, trust, and/or respect is difficult to achieve when so little is done mutually.

Physical education and recreation departments must do a better job of teaching present sports officiating classes as Mitchell (1949) recommended. This writer advocates the
development of a minor in sports officiating to certify officials as well as coaches. Through mutual classes for prospective officials and coaches such as introduction to coaching and introduction to officiating, misconceptions regarding roles, codes of conduct, and rules can be disspelled and positive attitudes developed. Both groups ought to recognize that their purposes are more uniform than different. As certified officials and coaches enter the profession and advance, it is hoped that the positive attitudes that have been taught will be perpetuated upward through the ranks (junior high, high schools, juniorcommunity colleges, small colleges and universities, and large universities) instead of down from men's Division I conferences.

## Statement of the Problem

The purpose of this study was to determine the prevailing attitudes of North Carolina high school basketball coaches toward officials.

Based upon the coaches' responses to the opinionnaires the writer hoped to discover:

1. Differences and similarities between coaches' attitudes from the smallest (1A) to the largest (4A) high school classifications.
2. Differences and similarities of attitudes between boys' and girls' basketball coaches toward officials.

## Basic Assumptions

The basic assumptions of this study are:

1. The respondents will be as objective and honest as possible in their responses.
2. Most coaches are interested in a fairly, safely, and honestly called game for the benefit of both the players and spectators.
3. Most coaches are aware of certain weaknesses in basketball officiating, but few recommendations for improvements are documented.

Delimitations of the Study
This study will be limited to the following:

1. The discipline of basketball.
2. Head varsity boys' basketball coaches and head varsity girls' basketball coaches.
3. High schools in North Carolina which are members of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.
4. A random sample of 80 high schools including 20 schools from each of the four classifications: 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A.

Definitions of Terms
Terms used in this study are defined as follows:
Attitude--the thoughts, feelings, and/or opinions regarding officiating.

Bias--partiality or prejudice toward a team which results in a coach, player, and/or spectator losing objectivity about decisions which are unfavorable.

Calls--the instantaneous decisions officials make to interpret and enforce the rules during the course of a game.

Classifications--the division of high schools into competitive groups based upon student enrollment in grades 9 through 12: 1A high schools had 31 to 419 students enrolled; 2A high schools had 423 to 636 students enrolled; 3A high schools had 637 to 928 students enrolled; and 4A high schools had 930 to 2,118 students enrolled.

NCHSAA--the North Carolina High School Athletic Association which is the governing body for the 337 -member high schools in the state.

## Chapter II

## Methods and Procedures

This study was conducted to determine North Carolina high school basketball coaches' attitudes toward officials. A random sample of boys' and girls' head varsity basketball coaches was surveyed by means of an opinionnaire.

Pilot Study
During the summer of 1984, the writer investigated the attitudes of basketball coaches and officials. After many informal interviews with various coaches, officials, and faculty members, reviewing the NCAA Basketball Rules Questionnaire and responses by coaches and officials, and reading various basketball and officiating books, a general opinionnaire was constructed (see Appendix A).

This pilot study opinionnaire consisted of 30 statements which the respondents were instructed to mark under "yes" or "no," depending upon their agreement or disagreement with the statement. Respondents were also encouraged to comment on each statement with ample space provided. The opinionnaire concluded by asking coaches and officials to list three qualities they look for in good officials.

The opinionnaires were completed by college, high school, head, and assistant coaches attending basketball
camps at Campbell University, Chowan College, Middle Tennessee State University, Pembroke State University, and the University of Richmond. The officials who completed opinionnaires were either attending an officiating clinic at Middle Tennessee State University or were local officials refereeing games at a Middle Tennessee State University basketball team camp. A total of 54 coaches and 10 officials responded during the pilot study.

The results of the pilot study indicated that the qualities most often looked for in good officials were in rank order: (1) knowledge of rules; (2) consistency; (3) proper court positioning; (4) maintaining control of the game; and (5) hustle. A comparison of the responses of the high school coaches, college coaches, and officials was made. There were many similarities in the groups' responses, but there were also a number of interesting differences (see Appendix B).

The data from the pilot study were used to refine and rewrite the statements. These revisions were used in the opinionnaire sent to the panel of experts. Panel of Experts

Criteria for selection of the panel of experts were: (a) representation from all areas of the nation; (b) an awareness of the role of officials; and (c) a proper perception of the game of basketball. This selection was
conducted through discussion and review by the writer and all members of his committee.

A cover letter (see Appendix C) was mailed to each panel member chosen explaining the purpose of the study and his role on the panel. The trial survey (see Appendix D) consisting of 22 statements, instructed the respondents to indicate their opinions using a five-point Likert scale as follows: (1) Strongly Agree; (2) Agree; (3) Undecided; (4) Disagree; and (5) Strongly Disagree. The survey was concluded with a request to rank order (a) three or more qualities you look for in good officials and (b) three or more prevalent problems with officials. A self-addressed, stamped envelope was provided for each participant:

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## Instrument

The contents of the dissertation instrument (see Appendix E) were based upon the writer's and all members' of his committee's analyses of the responses, comments, and recommendations of the panel of experts (see Appendix F). This instrument in final form consisted of 22 statements. The respondents were instructed to indicate their opinions to each statement and make any comments in the space provided after each statement.

A five-point Likert scale was used to assess the coaches' attitudes toward each statement: (1) Strongly Agree; (2) Agree; (3) Undecided; (4) Disagree; and (5) Strongly Disagree. It was the intent of the writer to construct the opinionnaire in such a way as to identify specific problems or deficiencies in officiating as perceived by coaches.

## Survey Sample

Subjects for this study were the boys' and girls' head varsity basketball coaches from each of the randomly selected high schools in North Carolina. Twenty high schools were selected from each of four classifications (1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A). The survey represented a total of 80 high schools and 160 (2 per high school) coaches.

Head varsity basketball coaches were selected for the survey because they were presumed to be mature and experienced enough in basketball to formulate more valid opinions. High school coaches were selected because of their frequent exposure to inexperienced and sometimes unqualified officials. Junior varsity, junior high, and B team coaches often have the beginning and less competent officials who may never get to the high school or college ranks. The college coaches seldom see officials who are incompetent in rules and/or mechanics.

The high schools in North Carolina were selected because of the writer's high regard for the head varsity basketball coaches in that state. The assistance and cooperation of Dick Knox, Assistant Executive Director of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, was instrumental in the selection of coaches in North Carolina. Mr. Knox served on the panel of experts in addition to endorsing the study with his signature on the cover letter to each coach. (see Appendix G).

## Collection of Data

All components for the study were mailed to the high school athletic directors with a cover letter (see Appendix H). This letter requested their assistance in encouraging the basketball coaches to complete and return the opinionnaires as soon as possible.

Each of the 80 high schools selected from the random sample was mailed two opinionnaires with a cover letter addressed to the head boys' and girls' varsity basketball coaches. The cover letter explained the purpose of the study, gave directions for completing the opinionnaire, and contained Mr. Knox's (Assistant Executive Director of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association) endorsement of the study. A self-addressed, stamped envelope was included for the coaches' use to return the opinionnaires at their earliest convenience.

After 3 weeks a follow-up letter (see Appendix I) was mailed to the principals of the nonresponding high schools. The follow-up mailing also contained two new copies of the opinionnaires, in the event that the originals had been lost or misplaced. Additional follow-up was begun after 2 weeks and was conducted by telephone calls to coaches, athletic directors, or principals.

Statistical Analysis
The data were analyzed by the use of a one-way analysis of variance to determine: (a) if there were significant
differences between the responses of boys' coaches and girls' coaches and (b) if different classifications of coaches responded differently.

Significant differences, below the . 05 level of probability, were further analyzed by correlated tests. The data were also recorded in mean scores, raw scores, and percentages to further provide the readers with proportions of importance toward each statement.

## Chapter III

## Results

The purpose of this study was to determine the prevailing attitudes of North Carolina high school basketball coaches toward officials. Based upon the coaches' responses to the opinionnaires the writer attempted to discover: (a) differences and similarities between coaches' attitudes from the smallest (1A) to the largest (4A) high school classification and (b) differences and similarities of attitudes between boys' and girls' basketball coaches toward officials.

Data for the study consisted of both coaches' completed opinionnaires received from the 15 randomly selected high schools in each classification (1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A). This represented a total of 60 high schools and 120 coaches' responses.

Statistically, all items in the opinionnaire were analyzed by use of the one-way analysis of variance program contained in the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences Extended (SPSS ${ }^{\mathrm{X}}$ ). The one-way analysis of variance was used to determine if there were significant differences in coaches' responses among the four classifications of high schools or between responses of boys' and girls' coaches.

Significant differences, below the .05 level of confidence, were further analyzed by Duncan's Multiple Range Test for Variance with correlated $t$ tests to help identify where the significant differences existed.

The analysis of variance and test programs were run on the Honeywell DPS 8/49D CP-6 computer system of Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. The programs were contained in the SPSS $^{\mathbf{X}}$ User's Guide (1983).

## Statistical Analyses

The analyses of data revealed a significant difference between boys' and girls' coaches' responses on only 1 of the 22 items in the opinionnaire. Item 21, "Coaches want officials who are in complete control of the game, players, and coaches," showed a $\underset{F}{ }$ ratio of 4.74 (see Table 1). A F ratio greater than 3.93 was significant at the . 05 level of confidence.

Table 1
Analyses of Variance for Item 21

|  | Sum of Mean |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Source | DF | Squares | Squares | F Ratio | F Prob. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Between Groups | 1 | 3.33 | 3.33 | $4.74 *$ | .03 |
| Within Groups | 118 | 83.03 | .70 |  |  |
| Total | 119 | 86.37 |  |  |  |

$*_{p}<.05$

Correlated $t$ tests were conducted to determine where the significant difference existed between boys' and girls' coaches' responses. A two-tailed test determined a $t$ ratio of 1.98 was significant at the .05 level of confidence. The t value for Item 21 in the opinionnaire was 2.18, significant at the . 03 level of confidence (see Table 2). Table 2

Correlated t Tests for Comparison of Differences Between
Boys' and Girls' Coaches' Mean Response Scores for Item 21

Coaches'
Responses $\underline{N}$ Mean $\underline{S D}$ Value t-tail Prob.

| Boys | 60 | 1.45 | .59 | $2.18 *$ | .03 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Girls | 60 | 1.78 | 1.03 |  |  |

*p < . 05
The boys' coaches were more in agreement with the statement than the girls' coaches. Boys' coaches' responses ranged from strongly agree (1) to disagree (4). Only one of the boys' coaches did not respond in the strongly agree or agree categories. The girls' coaches' responses ranged from strongly agree (1) to strongly disagree (5).

The analyses of data revealed no significant differences in responses among classifications (1A; 2A, 3A,
and 4 A ) of coaches. No further statistical analyses were necessary among classifications.

## Descriptive Analyses

Each item in the opinionnaire was subjected to additional scrutiny in terms of raw scores and percentages (see Appendix J) and mean scores (see Appendix K). These analyses provided data to group the items in the following categories: most agreement; most disagreement; and most undecided.

The next six items (11, $10,17,6,21,20$ ) produced the lowest mean scores in the opinionnaire with over $90 \%$ of the responses being either strongly agree or agree. Item 11, "Successful officiating requires a certain temperament and personality," received a total mean score of 1.35. This score was the lowest for any item in the opinionnaire and indicated the coaches' greatest agreement with the statement. Ninety-seven percent of the respondents strongly agreed or agreed with Item 11 (see Table 3). This seems to substantiate the conclusions of Askins(1978), Fratzke (1972, 1974, 1975), Johnson \& Moss (1976), and Schwartz (1977a, 1977b), while the data for Item 11 seem to refute the conclusions drawn by Schurr and Philipp (1971) and Hammond (1973).

Item 10, "Beginning officials need better training and supervision," produced the second lowest mean score, 1.44. Ninety-five percent of the coaches replied strongly agree or agree to this statement (see Table 4).

Table 3
Mean Scores, Raw Scores, and Percentages for Item 11: Successful Officiating
Requires a Certain Temperament and Personality

| Coaches' |  | Strongly |  |  |  | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Responses | $\overline{\mathrm{X}}$ | Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree |  |
| Boys | 1.32 | 43 | 16 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
|  |  | (72\%) | (27\%) |  | (2\%) |  |
| Girls | 1.38 | 40 | 18 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  | (67\%) | (30\%) | (2\%) |  | (2\%) |
| Total | 1.35 | 83 | 34 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  | (69\%) | (28\%) | (1\%) | (1\%) | (1\%) |



The coaches' responses seem to indicate agreement with the consensus of opinions beginning with Mitchell (1949) through the two volumes of The Final Report of the President's Commission on Olympic Sports (United States President's Commission, 1977a, 1977b) and up to the recommendations of the NCAA Special Committee on Basketball Officiating in the NCAA News (1985).

Item 17, "Camps, clinics, and workshops would benefit officials on all levels," was third with a total mean score of 1.47 . However, $96 \%$ of the responses were strongly agree or agree (see Table 5). The implementation of clinics to improve the training and supervision of officials was a recommendation in most officiating literature (Askins, 1979b; Dodson, 1953; Evenbeck, 1983; Mackey, 1958; McDuffie, 1980; Mitche11, 1949; United States President's Commission on Olympic Sports, 1977a; Wyrick, 1966).

Item 6, 'The lack of consistency by officials causes players and coaches to adjust and readjust their playing styles," yielded a total mean score of 1.55. The majority of responses were strongly agree as $94 \%$ of the coaches expressed agreement with the statement (see Table 6).

Few literary works pertaining to officiating omit consistency as an objective or goal of an official (Askins, 1979a; Bunn, 1968; Donnelly, 1957; Moss, 1979). However, Askins (1980) felt that the consistency which most


associated with basketball officiating is not compatible with human behavior.

Item 21, "Coaches want officials who are in complete control of the game, players, and coaches," established a total mean score of 1.62 . Over $50 \%$ of the responses were strongly agree, and $93 \%$ of the coaches indicated agreement with the statement (see Table 7).

Item 20, "Coaches must respect the officials' position of authority regardless of what they think of the officials personally," produced a total mean score of 1.70. Ninetytwo percent of the coaches' responses were strongly agree or agree (see Table 8).

The two items which pertain to authority, 21 , and 20 , reflected the findings of previous studies (Fritz, 1978; Nelson, 1979; Sappington, 1976) with one exception. Wyrick (1966) found coaches were unwilling to cooperate with officials' authoritative roles.

The next items, 18,2 , and 16 , yielded the highest mean scores which indicated the greatest disagreement with the statement. These items showed $38 \%$ or more of the coaches' responses in the strongly disagree or disagree categories. Item 18, "There are ample young officials entering the profession to offset the number of older and more experienced officials leaving," reflected the highest total mean score for the opinionnaire, 3.26. The total responses in the strongly disagree and disagree categories were second,


respectively, to the two items that follow. However, the coaches expressed the most indecision for Item 18 (see Table 9). The coaches' responses to this statement provided additional credence for conclusions of prior studies and articles related to supply and demand for officials (Askins, 1979; Deford, 1976; Hansen, 1985; Kenny, 1952; Wyrick, 1966).

Item 2, "Officials work hard every game," produced the second highest total mean score, 3.22. More responses were disagree to this statement than to any other statement in the opinionnaire (see Table 10).

Item 16, "The advent of the third official will improve officiating on all levels," had the most responses in the strongly disagree category and a total mean score of 2.97. The responses to this statement were more evenly distributed than for any item in the opinionnaire (see Table 11).

There were three items which received $25 \%$ or greater response in the undecided category. The items in rank order were: Item 5, "Officials are unconcerned with the outcome of the game, which team wins," $28 \%$ Item 8, "Honesty testing would be a beneficial screening device for beginning officials," $26 \%$; and Item 9, "Psychological testing would be a beneficial screening device for beginning officials," $25 \%$. The indecision regarding "honesty" supports Coach Wooden's

Table 9
Mean Scores, Raw Scores, and Percentages for Item 18: There Are Ample Young Officials Entering the Profession to Offset the Number of Older and More

Experienced Officials Leaving

| Coaches' | Strongly <br> Responses |  |  | $\overline{\mathrm{X}}$ | Agree | Agree |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Boys | 3.32 | 1 | 14 | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly |
|  |  | $(2 \%)$ | $(23 \%)$ | $(16 \%)$ | 23 | $(38 \%)$ |
| Girls | 3.20 | 0 | 18 | 20 | 16 | $(10 \%)$ |
|  |  |  | $(30 \%)$ | $(33 \%)$ | $(26 \%)$ | 6 |
| Total | 3.26 | 1 | 32 | 36 | 39 | $(10 \%)$ |
|  |  | $(1 \%)$ | $(27 \%)$ | $(30 \%)$ | $(33 \%)$ | 12 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $(10 \%)$ |



(1980) theory that the problems between coaches and officials seem to spawn from a lack of trust.

## Chapter IV

## Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations

The purpose of this study was to determine prevailing attitudes of North Carolina high school basketball coaches toward basketball officials. Based upon the coaches' responses to the opinionnaire, the writer attempted to discover: (a) differences and similarities among coaches' attitudes from the smallest (1A) to the largest (4A) high school classification and (b) differences and similarities between boys' and girls' basketball coaches' attitudes toward officials.

Data for the study were based upon the coaches' responses from 60 randomly selected high schools. The total sample provided 120 completed opinionnaires, 60 boys' team coaches and 60 girls' team coaches.

The data were subjected to statistical and descriptive analyses. Statistically, the responses were analyzed by a one-way analysis of variance and correlated $t$ tests. The descriptive analyses consisted of mean scores, raw scores, and percentages for each item.

## Findings

Based upon the coaches' responses to the opinionnaire the following findings were revealed:

1. The majority ( $72 \%$ ) of coaches felt that officials possess a thorough knowledge of the rule book; however, over one-fourth (29\%) of the respondents were undecided or disagreed.
2. The majority (52\%) of coaches felt that officials do not work hard every game.
3. Officials were thought to be honest and have integrity by the majority ( $71 \%$ ) of coaches; however, $22 \%$ of the coaches did question officials' honesty and integrity.
4. A majority ( $71 \%$ ) of the coaches agreed that officials' application of the rules was the most important aspect of their job.
5. Half ( $50 \%$ ) of the coaches lack faith in the impartiality of officials concerning the outcome of the game.
6. The majority (94\%) of coaches agreed that the lack of consistency by officials caused players and coaches to adjust their playing styles.
7. A majority ( $67 \%$ ) of the coaches expressed a desire for officials to provide evidence of a basketball background.
8. Less than half ( $48 \%$ ) of the coaches agreed that honesty-testing would be a beneficial screening device for
beginning officials, but $26 \%$ of the respondents were undecided.
9. Data indicated that the majority (51\%) of coaches thought that psychological testing would be a beneficial screening device for beginning officials.
10. According to the majority (95\%) of coaches, beginning officials need better training and supervision.
11. The data indicated that the majority ( $97 \%$ ) of coaches believe that successful officiating requires a certain temperament and personality.
12. Over half ( $52 \%$ ) of the coaches agreed that officials are competent in court positioning and proper mechanics; however, $31 \%$ of the respondents disagreed with the statement.
13. The majority (73\%) of coaches felt that officials were defensive and misused their position of authority.
14. According to the majority (63\%) of coaches, too frequently the relationship between coaches and officials is antagonistic.
15. Coaches and officials alike considered officiating as a secondary profession and supplemental source of income. The data indicated that a majority of coaches neither agreed nor disagreed with the effects of officiating as an avocation upon the quality of the officials.
16. Many ( $22 \%$ ) coaches were undecided concerning the third official improving the game of basketball and there was no majority opinion.
17. The majority ( $96 \%$ ) of coaches expressed the opinion that camps, clinics, and workshops would benefit officials and officiating.
18. More coaches (43\%) disagreed and were undecided (30\%) than agreed (28\%) that there are ample young officials entering the profession to offset the number of older officials leaving.
19. A majority (68\%) of the coaches felt that they should have a voice in the recruiting of officials.
20. The data indicated that the majority ( $92 \%$ ) of coaches thought officials deserve respect because of their role, regardless of their personal qualities.
21. The majority (54\%) of coaches strongly agreed with the ideal of officials as controllers of the game, players, and coaches. More boys' coaches than girls' coaches were in agreement with the desire to have officials in control of the game, players, and coaches.
22. The majority ( $68 \%$ ) of coaches believed that coaches should be required to pass the basketball officiating examination.

## Conclusions

Based upon the findings of the analyzed and computed data in this study, the following conclusions were formulated:

1. There are no significant differences between coaches' attitudes from the smallest (lA) to the largest (4A) high school classification.
2. There is a significant difference of attitudes between boys' and girls' coaches concerning one item in the opinionnaire--boys' coaches were more receptive to officials being in complete control of the game, players, and coaches.
3. Coaches prefer officials who take control of the game without misusing their position of authority.
4. The responses indicate that coaches respect officials' position of authority, honesty, and integrity; therefore, most coaches were opposed to honesty testing as a screening device for officials. However, there appear to be contradictory attitudes among the coaches.
5. Coaches doubt officials' impartiality in game administration. This feeling probably contributes to the antagonistic attitude associated with the coaches/officials relationship.
6. Coaches feel very strongly that a certain personality and temperament are necessary for successful officiating; however, only half of the coaches are in favor of psychological testing as a screening device.
7. Coaches feel that a basketball background would be a better prerequisite for screening beginning officials than honesty and/or psychological testing.
8. Coaches question whether officials exert maximum effort each game. This seems much more important to the coaches than the perception of officiating as an avocation.
9. Coaches realize the importance of a knowledge and understanding of the rule book for themselves as well as for the officials.
10. Coaches believe that consistency in the application of the rules as well as proper mechanics and court positioning are essential to good officiating.
11. Coaches appear concerned about the quantity as well as the quality of new officials and the coaches feel that they should assist in the recruiting of officials.
12. Coaches would rather improve the quality of two officials (i.e., better training and supervision, clinics, camps, and workshops) than add a third official. Recommendations
13. A similar study should be conducted with officials as subjects to determine officials' attitudes toward basketball coaches.
14. Repeat the study with a national survey of coaches with a representative sample drawn from each state. A study of this magnitude would provide insight into coaches' perceptions of officials on a much broader scale.
15. Replicate the study during the basketball season and the off-season to compare seasonal effects upon the coaches' responses.
16. A study should be conducted to determine the effects of the subjects' number of years coaching experience upon the coaches' responses.
17. A similar study should be conducted to compare responses of certified (those in the coaching profession who possess a degree in physical education and/or coaching) and noncertified coaches.

## Appendixes

## Appendix A <br> Pilot Study Opinionnaire

## PILOT STUDY: BASKETBALL COACH/OFFICIAL

 OPINIONNAIREPlease respond to each item by placing a ( $\sqrt{ }$ ) under yes or no. Space is provided after each item for any explanation or comment you wish to make. Thank you for your time and any criticism, comment, or ideas.
( ) College Coach ( ) High School Coach
( ) Number Years Coaching Experience
YES NO In your opinion:
( ) ( ) 1. . . . Most coaches seem to respect officials and their responsibility for overseeing the game.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 2. . . . In recent years the relationship between coaches and officials seems to have deteriorated.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 3. . . . Most coaches understand the responsibility of the official for the conduct of the game.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 4. . . . Most officials understand their responsibility for the conduct of the game. Comment:

## YES NO

( ) ( ) 5. . . . The advent of the third official has improved the officiating of the college game. Comment:
( ) ( ) 6. . . . Discussions about calls between coaches and officials should be eliminated. Comment:
( ) ( ) 7. . . . Coaches are looking for a psychological advantage, not parity, when baiting and riding officials.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 8. . . . Controversy by argument or discussion from the coaches should be, by rule, eliminated from the game of basketball. Comment:
( ) ( ) 9. . . . The team captain should be involved in discussions with the officials instead of the coach.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 10. . . . Profanity from coaches and/or players should be tolerated.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 11. . . . Coaches should have a voice in hiring officials.

Comment:
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YES NO
( ) ( ) 12. . . . Coaches should have the power to "black ball" an official.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 13. . . . Beginning officials should be better screened through psychological and honesty testing and a basketball background prerequisite.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 14. . . . Successful officiating may require a certain temperament and personality. Comment:
( ) ( ) 15. . . . Beginning officials seem to need better training and supervision.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 16. . . . Most officials seem to be competent in court positioning, rules, and mechanics. Comment:
( ) ( ) 17. . . . Some officials seem to want to be part of the game instead of enforcing the rules and regulations.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 18. . . . Most officials seem to coast when they work a lower division game.

Comment:

YES NO
( ) ( ) 19. . . . As long as officiating is a secondary source of income it will be difficult to improve the caliber of officials. Comment:
( ) ( ) 20. . . . The relationship between coaches and officials is, too frequently, one of the adversary rather than complimentary. Comment:
( ) ( ) 21. . . . Coaching antics and demonstrations should be dealt with through stricter enforcement of the bench decorum rule. Comment:
( ) ( ) 22. . . . Winning seems to take too much precedence in coaching today. Comment:
( ) ( ) 23. . . . Most coaches seem to be competent as relates to knowing proper court positioning, rules, and mechanics of officiating. Comment:
( ) ( ) 24. . . . Coaches should take one or more courses in basketball rules and officiating. Please specify the number of courses you have taken ( ).

Comment:
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YES NO
( ) ( ) 25. . . Coaching positions should be contingent upon passing a test on basketball rules. Comment:
( ) ( ) 26. . . . The majority of the basketball coaches could pass the National Federation of State High School Basketball Officiating Examination.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 27. You and your staff would be willing to take such an examination.

Comment:
( ) ( ) 28. . . . Coaches and officials can probably benefit from clinics regarding rules, interpretations, and mechanics. Comment:
( ) ( ) 29. You would attend a one-day clinic on officiating to better understand the rules. When would be the best time for such a clinic?

Comment:
( ) ( ) 30. . . . Coaches referee enough yearly (camps, practice, scrimmages) to appreciate the complexity of officiating.

Comment:
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List three qualities you look for in good officials:
1.
2.
3.

# Appendix B <br> Results of the Pilot Study 

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Item 1. Most coaches seem to respect officials and their responsibility for overseeing the game.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 36 | $33(92 \%)$ | $3(8 \%)$ |
| Colleges Coaches | 18 | $14(78 \%)$ | $4(22 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $7(70 \%)$ | $3(30 \%)$ |

Item 2. In recent years the relationship between coaches and officials seems to have deteriorated.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 36 | $14(39 \%)$ | $22(61 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $7(41 \%)$ | $10(59 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $3(30 \%)$ | $7(70 \%)$ |

Item 3. Most coaches understand the responsibility of the official for the conduct of the game.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 36 | $33(92 \%)$ | $3(8 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $16(89 \%)$ | $2(11 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $9(90 \%)$ | $1(10 \%)$ |

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Item 4. Most officials understand their responsibility for the conduct of the game.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $25(71 \%)$ | $10(29 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $16(89 \%)$ | $2(11 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $9(90 \%)$ | $1(10 \%)$ |

Item 5. The advent of the third official has improved the officiating of the college game.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 34 | $25(74 \%)$ | $9(26 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $7(41 \%)$ | $10(59 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $10(100 \%)$ | 0 |

Item 6. Discussion about calls between coaches and officials should be eliminated.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 36 | $8(22 \%)$ | $28(78 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $2(11 \%)$ | $16(89 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $7(70 \%)$ | $3(30 \%)$ |

(appendix continues)

Item 7. Coaches are looking for a psychological advantage, not parity, when baiting and riding officials.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $27(77 \%)$ | $8(23 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $14(78 \%)$ | $4(22 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $7(70 \%)$ | $3(30 \%)$ |

Item 8. Controversy by argument or discussion from the coaches should be, by rule, eliminated from the game of basketball.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 36 | $9(25 \%)$ | $27(75 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $4(22 \%)$ | $14(78 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $7(70 \%)$ | $3(30 \%)$ |

Item 9. The team captain should be involved in discussions with the officials instead of the coach.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $7(20 \%)$ | $28(80 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $4(22 \%)$ | $14(78 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $8(80 \%)$ | $2(20 \%)$ |

(appendix continues)

Item 10. Profanity from coaches and/or players should be tolerated.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 36 | $3(9 \%)$ | $31(91 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $2(12 \%)$ | $15(88 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | 0 | $10(100 \%)$ |

Item 11. Coaches should have a voice in hiring officials.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $20(57 \%)$ | $15(43 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $13(76 \%)$ | $4(24 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $1(10 \%)$ | $8(90 \%)$ |

Item 12. Coaches should have the power to "black ball" an official.

| Responses | $\underline{\mathrm{n}}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $26(74 \%)$ | $9(26 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $13(76 \%)$ | $5(56 \%)$ |
| Officials | 9 | $5(56 \%)$ | $4(44 \%)$ |

(appendix continues)

Item 13. Beginning officials should be better screened through psychological and honesty testing and a basketball background prerequisite.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $24(69 \%)$ | $11(31 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $15(88 \%)$ | $2(12 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $7(70 \%)$ | $3(30 \%)$ |

Item 14. Successful officiating may require a certain temperament and personality.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $34(97 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $17(100 \%)$ | 0 |
| Officials | 10 | $10(100 \%)$ | 0 |

Item 15. Beginning officials seem to need better training and supervision.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $31(89 \%)$ | $4(11 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $17(100 \%)$ | 0 |
| Officials | 10 | $10(100 \%)$ | 0 |

(appendix continues)

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Item 16. Most officials seem to be competent in court positioning, rules, and mechanics.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $29(83 \%)$ | $6(17 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $15(88 \%)$ | $2(12 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $8(80 \%)$ | $2(20 \%)$ |

Item 17. Some officials seem to want to be part of the game instead of enforcing the rules and regulations.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $31(89 \%)$ | $4(11 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $12(71 \%)$ | $5(29 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $7(70 \%)$ | $3(30 \%)$ |

Item 18. Most officials seem to coast when they work a lower division game.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 34 | $20(59 \%)$ | $14(41 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $14(82 \%)$ | $3(18 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $6(60 \%)$ | $4(40 \%)$ |

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Item 19. As long as officiating is a secondary source of income it will be difficult to improve the caliber of officials.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 34 | $14(41 \%)$ | $20(59 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 16 | $7(44 \%)$ | $9(56 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $5(50 \%)$ | $5(50 \%)$ |

Item 20. The relationship between coaches and officials is, too frequently, one of adversary rather than complimentary.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 34 | $23(68 \%)$ | $11(32 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 17 | $14(82 \%)$ | $3(18 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $8(80 \%)$ | $2(20 \%)$ |

Item 21. Coaching antics and demonstrations should be dealt with through stricter enforcement of the bench decorum rule.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 34 | $23(68 \%)$ | $11(32 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $12(67 \%)$ | $6(33 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $10(100 \%)$ | 0 |

(appendix continues)

Item 22. Winning seems to take too much precedence in coaching today.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $22(63 \%)$ | $13(37 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $11(61 \%)$ | $7(39 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $8(80 \%)$ | $2(20 \%)$ |

Item 23. Most coaches seem to be competent as relates to knowing proper court positioning, rules, and mechanics of officiating.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| High School Coaches | 32 | $23(72 \%)$ | $9(28 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $10(56 \%)$ | $8(44 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $4(40 \%)$ | $6(60 \%)$ |

Item 24. Coaches should take one or more courses in basketball rules and officiating. Please specify the number of courses you have taken.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 34 | $26(76 \%)$ | $8(24 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $16(89 \%)$ | $2(11 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $9(90 \%)$ | $1(10 \%)$ |

Item 25. Coaching positions should be contingent upon passing a test on basketball rules.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $11(31 \%)$ | $24(69 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $6(33 \%)$ | $12(67 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $4(40 \%)$ | $6(60 \%)$ |

Item 26. The majority of the basketball coaches could pass the National Federation of State High School Basketball Officiating Examination.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $19(54 \%)$ | $16(46 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $8(44 \%)$ | $10(56 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $4(40 \%)$ | $6(60 \%)$ |

Item 27. You and your staff would be willing to take such an examination.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 34 | $27(79 \%)$ | $7(21 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $13(72 \%)$ | $5(28 \%)$ |
| Officials | NA | NA | NA |

(appendix continues)

Item 28. Coaches and officials can probably benefit from clinics regarding rules, interpretations, and mechanics.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $35(94 \%)$ | $2(6 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $17(94 \%)$ | $1(6 \%)$ |
| Officials | 10 | $10(100 \%)$ | 0 |

Item 29. You would attend a one day clinic on officiating to better understand the rules. When would be the best time for such a clinic?

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $29(83 \%)$ | $6(17 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 16 | $16(100 \%)$ | 0 |
| Officials | 8 | $8(100 \%)$ | 0 |

Item 30. Coaches referee enough yearly (camps, practice, and scrimmages) to appreciate the complexity of officiating.

| Responses | $\underline{n}$ | Yes | No |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| High School Coaches | 35 | $26(74 \%)$ | $9(26 \%)$ |
| College Coaches | 18 | $11(61 \%)$ | $7(39 \%)$ |
| Officials | 9 | $3(33 \%)$ | $6(67 \%)$ |

(appendix continues)

Qualities coaches look for in good officials.

| Qualities in Rank Order | No. of Times Listed |
| :--- | :---: |
| 1. Knowledge of the rules | 18 |
| 2. Consistency | 13 |
| 3. Control of the game | 12 |
| 4. Proper positioning | 12 |
| 5. Hustle | 7 |
|  |  |
| Qualities officials look for in good officials |  |
| Qualities in Rank Order | No. of Times Listed |
| 1. Hustle | 4 |
| 2. Knowledge of the rules | 3 |
| 3. Appearance | 2 |
| 4. Attitude | 2 |
| 5. Feel for the game |  |

## Appendix C

Sample Letter to the Panel of Experts

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY
MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE 37132
Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Safety Department

February 4, 1085

Hopefully you will take a few minutes from your busy schedule to analyze and answer the enclosed opinionnaire. Please include your corments and recommendations and return as soon as poscible.

You have been chosen to serve on a panel of basketball experts because of your contributions and dedication to the game. The panel consists of ten outstanding coaches selected to validate the opinionnaire.

The opinionnaire will serve as the instrument for a survey of coaches for my dissertation at Middle Tennessee Scate University. The purpose of the study is to identify problems with officiating as perceived by coaches and make recommendations for improvement.

Thank you for your time and effort and I look forward to receiving your response. A copy of the results of the survey will be forwarded to you as soon as possible.

> Sincerely,
> /s/

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Appendix D
Panel of Experts' Opinionnaire

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## PANEL OF EXPERTS

BASKETBALL COACH OPINIONNAIRE
( ) Boys' Coach Include this season in the total
( ) Girls' Coach number of years varsity head coaching experience ( )

Directions: Please respond by circling the appropriate number which represents your opinion of that statement. Space is provided for comments after each item. Please answer all items and make as many comments as possible. Thank you for your time and opinions.

KEY:

1. Strongly Agree 2. Agree 3. Undecided
2. Disagree 5. Strongly Disagree
3. Officials have a thorough knowledge of the rule book.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
4. Officials work hard every game.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
5. Officials are honest and have integrity.
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COMMENTS:
4. Officials' application of the rules is the most important aspect of their job.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
(appendix continues)
5. Officials are unconcerned with the outcome of the game, which team wins.
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COMMENTS :
6. The lack of consistency by officials from game to game causes players and coaches to adjust and readjust their playing styles.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
7. Officials' lack of consistency when calling a single game causes participants to make adjustments in their play.
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COMMENTS :
8. Coaches and players' main criticism of officials is their lack of consistency.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4\end{array}$ COMMENTS:
9. Coaches should have a voice in the recruiting of officials.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
(appendix continues)

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10. Beginning officials should be better screened through psychological and honesty testing and give evidence of a basketball background.
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COMMENTS :
11. Successful officiating requires a certain temperament and personality.
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COMMENTS :
12. Beginning officials need better training and supervision.
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COMMENTS :
13. Officials are competent in court positioning and proper mechanics.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
14. There are ample young officials entering the profession to offset the number of older and more experienced officials leaving.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
15. As long as officiating is a secondary source of income it will be difficult to improve the caliber of officials and their performance.
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COMMENTS :
16. The relationship between coaches and officials is, too frequently, antagonistic.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
17. Coaches must respect the officials' position of authority regardless of what they think of the official personally.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
18. Camps, clinics, and workshops would benefit officials and improve officiating on all levels.
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COMMENTS :
19. Camps, clinics, and workshops would improve working relations between coaches and officials if conducted jointly.

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COMMENTS :
(appendix continues)
20. The advent of the third official will improve officiating on all levels.
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COMMENTS:
21. Basketball coaches should be required to pass the National Federation of State High School Association's Basketball Officiating Examination.
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COMMENTS :
22. Coaches want officials who are authoritative and in complete control of the game, players, and coaches.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
23. List three or more qualities you look for in good officials (in rank order, please). 1.
2.
3.
24. List three or more prevalent problems with officials (in rank order, also).
1.
2.
3.

## Appendix E

Survey Instrument

## BASKETBALL COACH OPINIONNAIRE

( ) Boys' Coach
( ) Inform me of the study's results
( ) Girl's Coach
( ) Total number of years varsity head coaching experience

Directions: Please respond by circling the appropriate number which represents your opinion of that statement. Please answer all items and make whatever comments or clarifications you wish. I hope you will return the opinionnaire to your athletic director as quickly as possible. Thank you for your time and opinions.

Key:
(1) Surongly Agree
(2) Agree
(3) Undecided
(4) Disagree
(5) Strongly Disagree

1. Officials have a thorough knowledge of the rule book.
$1 \quad 2$
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COMMENTS:
2. Officials work hard every game.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
3. Officials are honest and have integrity.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
4. Officials' application of the rules is the most important aspect of their job.
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COMMENTS:
(appendix continues)
5. Officials are unconcerned with the outcome of the game, which team wins.
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COMMENTS :
6. The lack of consistency by officials causes players and coaches to adjust and readjust their playing styles.
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COMIENTS :
7. Officials should provide evidence of a basketball background.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
8. Honesty testing would be a beneficial screening device for beginning officials.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS:
9. Psychological testing would be a beneficial screening device for beginning officials.
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COMMENTS :
10. Beginning officials need better training and supervision.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
11. Successful officiating requires a certain temperament and personality.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
12. Officials are competent in court positioning and proper mechanics.
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COMMENTS :
13. Officials seem to be defensive and use their position of authority to penalize a coach or team that has challenged their role of game administrator.
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COMMENTS :
14. The relationship between officials and coaches is, too frequently, antagonistic.

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COMMENTS :
15. As long as officiating is a secondary source of income it will be difficult to improve the caliber of officials and their performance.

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COMMENTS:
16. The advent of the third official will improve officiating on all levels.

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COMMENTS :
17. Camps, clinics, and workshops would benefit officials and improve officiating on all levels.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
18. There are ample young officials entering the profession to offset the number of older and more experienced officials leaving.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
19. Coaches should have a voice in the recruiting of officials.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS:
20. Coaches must respect the officials' position of authority regardless of what they think of the officials personally.
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COMMENTS:
21. Coaches want officials who are in complete control of the game, players, and coaches.
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COMMENTS :
(appendix continues)
22. Coaches should be required to pass the National

Federation of State High School Association's
Basketball Officiating Examination.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMMENTS :

Appendix $F$<br>Summary of Responses of the Panel of Experts' Opinionnaire

1. Officials have a thorough knowledge of the rule book.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $7(88 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |

2. Officials work hard every game.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | $4(50 \%)$ | 0 | $3(38 \%)$ | $1(13 \%)$ |

3. Officials are honest and have integrity.

Strongly Strongly
Agree
2 (25\%)
Agree Undecided
Disagree
Disagree
5 (63\%) 1 (13\%)
0
0
4. Officials' application of the rules is the most important aspect of their job.

Strongly Strongly
Agree
2 ( $25 \%$ ) 4 ( $50 \%$ ) 0 ( $25 \%$ ) 0
5. Officials are unconcerned with the outcome of the game, which team wins.

Strongly Agree 3 (38\%)
$\frac{\text { Agree }}{5(63 \%)} \frac{\text { Undecided }}{0}$
5 (63\%) 0

Disagree

Disagree 0
7. Officials' lack of consistency when calling a single game causes participants to make adjustments in their play.*

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $(29 \%)$ | $3(43 \%)$ | $1(14 \%)$ | $1(14 \%)$ | 0 |

8. Coaches' and players' main criticism of officials is their lack of consistency.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $2(25 \%)$ | $4(50 \%)$ | $1(13 \%)$ | $1(13 \%)$ | 0 |

9. Coaches should have a voice in the recruiting of officials.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $4(50 \%)$ | 0 | $2(25 \%)$ | 0 |

10. Beginning officials should be better screened through psychological and honesty testing and give evidence of
a basketball background.*
Strongly Strongly Agree

Agree Undecided Disagree Disagree
3 (43\%) 2 ( $29 \%$ ) 2 ( $29 \%$ ) 0
11. Successful officiating requires a certain temperament and personality.*

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $4(57 \%)$ | $3(43 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |

*Statement omitted by 1 panel member
(appendix continues)
12. Beginning officials need better training and supervision.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> $5(63 \%)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $3(38 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |

13. Officials are competent in court positioning and proper mechanics.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | $7(88 \%)$ | 0 | $1(13 \%)$ | 0 |

14. There are ample young officials entering the profession to offset the number of older and more experienced officials leaving.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | $3(38 \%)$ | $1(13 \%)$ | $2(25 \%)$ | $2(25 \%)$ |

15. As long as officiating is a secondary source of income it will be difficult to improve the caliber of officials and their performance.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1(13 \%)$ | $3(38 \%)$ | $1(13 \%)$ | $3(38 \%)$ | 0 |

16. The relationship between coaches and officials is, too frequently, antagonistic.*

Strongly Agree

2 (29\%)
*Statement omitted by 1 panel member.
(appendix continues)
17. Coaches must respect the officials' position of authority regardless of what they think of the official personally.*

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $3(43 \%)$ | $3(43 \%)$ | 0 | $1(14 \%)$ | 0 |

18. Camps, clinics, and workshops would benefit officials and improve officiating on all levels.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $5(63 \%)$ | $3(38 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |

19. Camps, clinics, and workshops would improve working relations between coaches and officials if conducted jointly.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $(13 \%)$ | $5(63 \%)$ | $1(13 \%)$ | $1(13 \%)$ | 0 |

20. The advent of the third official will improve officiating on all levels.*

Strongly
Agree
1 (14\%)
Agree
3 (43\%) 1 (14\%) Disagree 2 (29\%) 0 *Statement was omitted by 1 panel member.
21. Basketball coaches should be required to pass the National Federation of State High School Association's Basketball Officiating Examination.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $5(63 \%)$ | 0 | $2(25 \%)$ | 0 |

22. Coaches want officials who are unauthoritative and in complete control of the game, players, and coaches.

| Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $4(50 \%)$ | 0 | $3(38 \%)$ | 0 |

23. List 3 or more qualities you look for in good officials.
24. Understands the game
25. Hustles and alert
26. Judgment
27. Consistency
28. Knowledge and application of the rules
29. Appearance and conditioning
30. Ability to get along with people
31. Dedication
32. Professionalism
33. Temperament
34. Courage to make the call
35. Interpretation of the rules
(appendix continues)
36. Positioning to make calls
37. Dedicated to job, not pleasing crowd or coaches
38. List 3 or more prevalent problems with officials.
39. Out of position
40. Influenced by the crowd
41. Lack of rules knowledge
42. No common sense approach to the game
43. Anticipation of calls
44. Over-officiating
45. Overexposure (calling too many games)
46. Too much politics
47. Misinterpretation of the rules
48. Temperament
49. Lack of professionalism
50. Age
51. Think they are the most important part of the game
52. Lack of courage

## Appendix G

## Sample Letter to the Head

## Basketball Coaches

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY
MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE 37132
Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Safety Department

March 8, 1985

How often have you heard complaints about the officiating in a basketball game? Here is an opportunity for you to contribute, through an opinionnaire, to possible improvements in the game of basketball. I have coached in North Carolina at the high school. junior college, and collegiate levels for nine years. The past two years, while in Tennessee working on my doctorate, I have worked as a basketball official. This enlightening experience has enabled me to observe areas which need attention immediately.

The purpose of this opinionnaire is to have coaches identify basketball officiating problems. Based upon your responses hopefully deficiencies can be identified and possible solutions recommended.

The North Carolina High School Athletic Association has endorsed this study and your school was chosen from a random sample of all comparable high schools in your division. Please take a few minutes from your busy schedule to answer, make comments, and return the opinionnaire as soon as possible.

Thank you for your time in what $I$ hope is a worthwhile endeavor.
Sincerely,
/s/

Scott H. Colclough D.A. Candidate

Approved by: /s/ Dick Knox
Asst. Exec. Director, NCHSAA

# Appendix H <br> Sample Letter to the <br> Athletic Directors 

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY
MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE 37132
Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Safety Department

March 8, 1985

The North Carolina High School Athletic Association has endorsed the enclosed study, A Survey of High School Basketball Coaches' Attitudes Toward Officials. Your school was selected from a random sample of the state's high schools. Please give the enclosed letters and opinionnaires to your girls' and boys' basketball coaches, ask them to complete the opinionnaires, and return them together in the selfaddressed, stamped envelope.

This survey is for my doctoral dissertation at Middle Tennessee State University. Hopefully the results can be put to beneficial use by the NCHSAA and North Carolina Coaches Association.

As an athletic director $I$ am sure you are aware of problems associated with sports officiating. I hope you will encourage your coaches to cooperate in this endeavor and return the materials as soon as possible. Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely yours,
/s/
Scott H. Colclough Graduate Teaching Assistant

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## Appendix I

## Sample Letter to Principals

MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE 37132
Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Safety Department

April 5, 1985

This is a follow-up mailing for the basketball coaches at your school. I have received no response possibly due to mistakes in the National Directory of High School Coaches, postal service, or the hectic schedule of the coaches at the time of the first mailing. These responses are vital to my study and any assistance you can offer will be greatly appreciated.

The North Carolina High School Athletic Association has endorsed the enclosed study and your school was selected from a random sample of the state's high schools. Please give the enclosed opinionnaires to your head basketball coaches, ask them to complete the opinionnaires, and return them together in the self-addressed, stamped envelope.

This survey is for my doctoral dissertation at Middle Tennessee State University. Hopefully the results can be put to beneficial use by the NCHSAA. Thank you for your time and assistance.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Sincerely yours, } \\
& \qquad \text { /s/ } \\
& \text { Scott H. Colclough } \\
& \text { Graduate Teaching Assistant }
\end{aligned}
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## Enclosures

## Appendix J <br> Results of the Survey in Raw Scores and Percentages

Item 1. Officials have a thorough knowledge of the rule book.

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Strong1y } \\ & \text { Agree } \end{aligned}$ | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly Disagree |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1A Boys' Coaches | 1 (7\%) | 11 (73\%) | 2 (13\%) | 1 (7\%) | 0 |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | 1 (17\%) | 10 (67\%) | 2 (13\%) | 2 (13\%) | 0 |
| 1A Total | 2 (7\%) | 21 (70\%) | 4 (13\%) | 3 (10\%) | 0 |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | 2 (13\%) | 8 (53\%) | 2 (13\%) | 3 (20\%) | 0 |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | 4 (27\%) | 6 (40\%) | 2 (13\%) | 2 (20\%) | 0 |
| 2A Total | 6 (20\%) | 14 (47\%) | 4 (13\%) | 6 (20\%) | 0 |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | 0 | 10 (67\%) | 1 (7\%) | 4 (27\%) | 0 |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | 1 (7\%) | 8 (53\%) | 3 (20\%) | 3 (20\%) | 0 |
| 3A Total | 1 (3\%) | 18 (60\%) | 4 (13\%) | 7 (23\%) | 0 |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | 0 | 14 (93\%) | 1 (7\%) | 0 | 0 |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | 0 | 10 (67\%) | 2 (13\%) | 3 (20\%) | 0 |
| 4A Total | 0 | 24 (80\%) | 3 (10\%) | 3 (10\%) | 0 |


|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree |  | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $3(5 \%)$ | $43(72 \%)$ | $6(10 \%)$ | $8(13 \%)$ | 0 |  |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $6(10 \%)$ | $34(57 \%)$ | $9(15 \%)$ | $11(18 \%)$ | 0 |  |
| Total Coaches | $9(8 \%)$ | $77(64 \%)$ | $15(13 \%)$ | $19(16 \%)$ | 0 |  |

Item 2. Officials work hard every game.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | 0 | $6(40 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | 0 | $5(33 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $8(53 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 1A Total | 0 | $11(37 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ | $15(50 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ |
| 2A Total | $2(7 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | 0 | $2(13 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $9(60 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | 0 | $5(33 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $8(53 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Total | 0 | $7(23 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | $17(57 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |


|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree |  | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | 0 |  | $7(47 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |  | $6(40 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | 0 | $5(33 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $8(53 \%)$ | 0 |  |  |
| 4A Total | 0 | $12(40 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ | $14(47 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |  |  |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $1(2 \%)$ | $21(35 \%)$ | $8(13 \%)$ | $27(45 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ |  |  |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $1(2 \%)$ | $19(32 \%)$ | $8(13 \%)$ | $29(48 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ |  |  |
| Total Coaches | $2(2 \%)$ | $40(33 \%)$ | $16(13 \%)$ | $56(47 \%)$ | $6(5 \%)$ |  |  |

Item 3. Officials are honest and have integrity.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $10(67 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | 0 | $11(73 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| IA Total | $1(3 \%)$ | $21(70 \%)$ | $8(27 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | $3(20 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | 0 |
| 2A Total | $7(23 \%)$ | $14(47 \%)$ | $6(20 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ | 0 |


|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | 0 | $12(80 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $9(60 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Total | $2(7 \%)$ | $21(70 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $8(53 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $8(53 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 4A Total | $3(10 \%)$ | $16(53 \%)$ | $9(30 \%)$ | $2(7 \%)$ | 0 |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $7(12 \%)$ | $37(62 \%)$ | $12(20 \%)$ | $4(7 \%)$ | 0 |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $6(10 \%)$ | $35(58 \%)$ | $14(23 \%)$ | $5(8 \%)$ | 0 |
| Total Coaches | $13(10 \%)$ | $72(60 \%)$ | $26(22 \%)$ | $9(8 \%)$ | 0 |

Item 4. Officials' application of the rules is the most important aspect of their job.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | $3(20 \%)$ | $9(60 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| 1A Gir1s' Coaches | $3(20 \%)$ | $9(60 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 1A Total | $6(20 \%)$ | $18(60 \%)$ | $2(7 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | 0 |





|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | $8(53 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $11(73 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3A Total | $12(40 \%)$ | $18(60 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | $10(67 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | 0 | $1(7 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | $10(67 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 | $1(7 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 4A Total | $20(67 \%)$ | $7(23 \%)$ | 0 | $2(7 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $34(57 \%)$ | $22(37 \%)$ | $1(2 \%)$ | $2(3 \%)$ | $1(2 \%)$ |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $33(55 \%)$ | $24(40 \%)$ | 0 | $3(5 \%)$ | 0 |
| Total Coaches | $67(56 \%)$ | $46(38 \%)$ | $1(1 \%)$ | $5(4 \%)$ | $1(1 \%)$ |

Item 7. Officials should provide evidence of a basketball background.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | $3(20 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 1A Tota1 | $5(17 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | $9(30 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |




|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree |  | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $11(18 \%)$ | $16(27 \%)$ | $19(32 \%)$ | $11(18 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ |  |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $13(22 \%)$ | $17(29 \%)$ | $12(20 \%)$ | $15(25 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ |  |
| Total Coaches | $24(20 \%)$ | $33(28 \%)$ | $31(26 \%)$ | $26(22 \%)$ | $6(5 \%)$ |  |

Item 9. Psychological testing would be a beneficial screening device for beginning officials.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | 0 |
| 1A Total | $2(7 \%)$ | $14(47 \%)$ | $7(23 \%)$ | $7(23 \%)$ | 0 |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $9(60 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 2A Total | $2(7 \%)$ | $14(47 \%)$ | $6(20 \%)$ | $6(20 \%)$ | $2(7 \%)$ |


|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Total | $3(10 \%)$ | $10(10 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $7(23 \%)$ | 0 |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | 0 |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | 0 | $9(60 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 4A Total | $1(3 \%)$ | $15(15 \%)$ | $7(23 \%)$ | $7(23 \%)$ | 0 |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $5(8 \%)$ | $25(42 \%)$ | $16(26 \%)$ | $13(22 \%)$ | $1(2 \%)$ |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $3(5 \%)$ | $28(47 \%)$ | $14(23 \%)$ | $14(23 \%)$ | $1(2 \%)$ |
| Total Coaches | $8(7 \%)$ | $53(44 \%)$ | $30(25 \%)$ | $27(23 \%)$ | $2(2 \%)$ |

Item 10. Beginning officials need better training and supervision.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | $10(67 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | $9(60 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| 1A Total | $19(63 \%)$ | $7(23 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |


|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | $9(60 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | $11(73 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2A Total | $20(67 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | $6(40 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | $9(60 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| 3A Total | $15(50 \%)$ | $12(40 \%)$ | $2(7 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ | 0 |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | $10(67 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | $11(73 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4A Total | $21(70 \%)$ | $9(30 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $35(58 \%)$ | $21(35 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ | $1(2 \%)$ | 0 |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $40(67 \%)$ | $17(28 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| Total Coaches | $75(63 \%)$ | $38(32 \%)$ | $6(5 \%)$ | $1(1 \%)$ | 0 |



|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $43(72 \%)$ | $16(27 \%)$ | 0 |  | $1(2 \%)$ | 0 |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $40(67 \%)$ | $18(30 \%)$ | $1(2 \%)$ | 0 | $1(2 \%)$ |  |
| Total Coaches | $83(69 \%)$ | $34(28 \%)$ | $1(1 \%)$ | $1(1 \%)$ | $1(1 \%)$ |  |

Item 12. Officials are competent in court positioning and proper mechanics.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | 0 | $9(60 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | 0 | $9(60 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | 0 |
| 1A Total | 0 | $18(60 \%)$ | $7(23 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | 0 |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | 0 | $9(60 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | 0 | $11(73 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 2A Total | 0 | $20(67 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ | $6(20 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | 0 | $6(40 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Total | $1(3 \%)$ | $11(37 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | $13(43 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |


|  | Strongly <br> Agree |  | Agree |  | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | 0 |  | $6(40 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ |  | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | 0 |  | $6(40 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ |  |
| 4A Total | 0 | $12(40 \%)$ | $7(23 \%)$ | $8(27 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ |  |  |
| Total Boys' Coaches | 0 | $30(50 \%)$ | $11(18 \%)$ | $16(27 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ |  |  |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $1(2 \%)$ | $31(52 \%)$ | $10(17 \%)$ | $16(27 \%)$ | $2(3 \%)$ |  |  |
| Total Coaches | $1(1 \%)$ | $61(51 \%)$ | $21(18 \%)$ | $32(27 \%)$ | $5(4 \%)$ |  |  |

Item 13. Officials seem to be defensive and use their position of authority to penalize a coach or team that has challenged their role of game administrator.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | $6(40 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | 0 | $3(20 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ |
| 1A Total | $10(33 \%)$ | $12(40 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ |

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|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | $5(33 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | 0 |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | $5(33 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | 0 |
| 2A Tota1 | $10(33 \%)$ | $12(40 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 3A Total | $6(20 \%)$ | $11(37 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | $7(23 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | $6(40 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | 0 |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $10(67 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| 4A Total | $10(33 \%)$ | $17(57 \%)$ | $2(7 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ | 0 |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $21(35 \%)$ | $22(37 \%)$ | $7(12 \%)$ | $9(15 \%)$ | $1(2 \%)$ |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $15(25 \%)$ | $30(50 \%)$ | $5(8 \%)$ | $7(12 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ |
| Total Coaches | $36(30 \%)$ | $52(43 \%)$ | $12(10 \%)$ | $16(13 \%)$ | $4(3 \%)$ |

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| $\begin{aligned} & \frac{3}{6} \\ & \frac{6}{6} \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | Item 14. The relationship | een offici |  | nd coa |  | is, too |  | quent |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ¢ 0 0 8 |  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree |  | Undecided |  | Disagree |  | Strongly <br> Disagree |  |
| 흘 | 1A Boys' Coaches | 5 (33\%) | 6 | (40\%) | 3 | (20\%) | 0 |  |  | (7\%) |
| \% | 1A Girls' Coaches | 0 |  | (67) | 2 | (13\%) | 2 | (13\%) |  | (7\%) |
| $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{7}$ | 1A Total | 5 (17\%) | 16 | (53\%) | 5 | (17\%) | 2 | (7\%) |  |  |
| $\stackrel{\text { ¢ }}{ }$ | 2A Boys' Coaches | 3 (20\%) | 4 | (27\%) |  | (20\%) | 4 | (27\%) |  | (7\%) |
| $\stackrel{0}{0}$ | 2A Girls' Coaches | 1 (7\%) | 8 | (53\%) |  | (7\%) | 3 | (20\%) |  | (13\%) |
| 둥 | 2A Total | 4 (13\%) | 12 | (40\%) | 4 | (13\%) | 7 | (23\%) |  | (10\%) |
| 밍 | 3A Boys' Coaches | 2 (13\%) | 5 | (33\%) |  | (27\%) | 3 | (20\%) |  | (7\%) |
| 훟. | 3A Girls' Coaches | 1 (7\%) | 7 | (47\%) |  | (20\%) | 4 | (27\%) | 0 |  |
| $\stackrel{\Sigma}{F}$ | 3A Total | 3 (10\%) | 12 | (40\%) | 7 | (23\%) | 7 | (23\%) |  |  |
| $\stackrel{\square}{0}$ | 4A Boys' Coaches | 5 (33\%) | 6 | (40\%) |  | (7\%) |  | (20\%) | 0 |  |
| $\frac{\bar{z}}{\bar{W}}$ | 4A Girls' Coaches | 2 (13\%) |  | (67\%) |  | (7\%) |  | (13\%) | 0 |  |
| ? | 4A Total | 7 (23\%) | 16 | (53\%) | 2 | (7\%) |  | (17\%) | 0 |  |


|  | Strongly <br> Agree | $\underline{\text { Agree }}$ | $\underline{\text { Undecided }}$ | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $15(25 \%)$ | $21(35 \%)$ | $11(18 \%)$ |  | $10(17 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $4(7 \%)$ | $35(58 \%)$ | $7(12 \%)$ | $11(18 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ |  |
| Total Coaches | $19(16 \%)$ | $56(47 \%)$ | $18(15 \%)$ | $21(18 \%)$ | $6(5 \%)$ |  |

Item 15. As long as officiating is a secondary source of income it will be difficult to improve the caliber of officials and their performance.

| to improve the caliber of officials and their performance. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Boys' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |  |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | $3(20 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |  |
| 1A Total | $7(23 \%)$ | $9(30 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ | $9(30 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ |  |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | 0 |  |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ |  |
| 2A Total | $6(20 \%)$ | $9(30 \%)$ | $6(20 \%)$ | $6(20 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ |  | (appendix continues)


|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree |  | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |  |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | 0 | $6(40 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ |  |
| 3A Total | $2(7 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ | $12(40 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ |  |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ |  |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |  |
| 4A Total | $4(13 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $2(7 \%)$ | $11(37 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ |  |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $10(17 \%)$ | $18(30 \%)$ | $6(10 \%)$ | $22(37 \%)$ | $4(7 \%)$ |  |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $9(15 \%)$ | $20(33 \%)$ | $8(13 \%)$ | $16(27 \%)$ | $7(12 \%)$ |  |
| Total Coaches | $19(16 \%)$ | $38(32 \%)$ | $14(12 \%)$ | $38(32 \%)$ | $11(9 \%)$ |  |

Item 16. The advent of the third official will improve officiating on all levels.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | $3(20 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | 0 |
| 1A Total | $5(17 \%)$ | $6(20 \%)$ | $8(27 \%)$ | $11(37 \%)$ | 0 |




|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly Disagree |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Boys' Coaches | 37 (62\%) | 22 (37\%) | 1 (2\%) | 0 | 0 |
| Total Girls' Coaches | 35 (58\%) | 21 (35\%) | 2 (3\%) | 1 (2\%) | 1 (2\%) |
| Total Coaches | 72 (60\%) | 43 (36\%) | 3 (3\%) | 1 (1\%) | 1 (1\%) |

Item 18. There are ample young officials entering the profession to offset the number of older and more experienced officials leaving.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | 0 | $4(27 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | 0 | $6(40 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ |
| 1A Total | 0 | $10(33 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $6(20 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | $1(7 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | 0 | $3(20 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ |
| 2A Total | $1(3 \%)$ | $8(27 \%)$ | $8(27 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ |


|  | Strongly Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | 0 | 4 (27\%) | 2 (13\%) | 8 (53\%) | 1 (7\%) |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | 0 | 3 (20\%) | 5 (33\%) | 6 (40\%) | 1 (7\%) |
| 3A Total | 0 | 7 (23\%) | 7 (23\%) | 14 (27\%) | 2 (7\%) |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | 0 | 1 (7\%) | 5 (33\%) | 7 (47\%) | 2 (13\%) |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | 0 | 6 (40\%) | 6 (40\%) | 2 (13\%) | 1 (7\%) |
| 4A Total | 0 | 7 (23\%) | 11 (37\%) | 9 (30\%) | 3 (10\%) |
| Total Boys' Coaches | 1 (2\%) | 14 (23\%) | 16 (26\%) | 23 (38\%) | 6 (10\%) |
| Total Girls' Coaches | 0 | 18 (30\%) | 20 (33\%) | 16 (26\%) | 6 (10\%) |
| Total Coaches | 1 (1\%) | 32 (27\%) | 36 (30\%) | 39 (33\%) | 12 (10\%) |

Item 19. Coaches should have a voice in the recruiting of officials.

| 1A Boys' Coaches | $3(20 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | $5(33 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 1A Total | $8(27 \%)$ | $11(37 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ |


|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | 0 |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | $3(20 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | 0 |
| 2A Total | $7(23 \%)$ | $13(43 \%)$ | $6(20 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | $3(20 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | $3(20 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Total | $6(20 \%)$ | $14(47 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | $5(33 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | 0 | $3(20 \%)$ | 0 |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | $7(47 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 4A Total | $12(40 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ | $6(20 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $15(25 \%)$ | $27(45 \%)$ | $7(12 \%)$ | $8(13 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $18(30 \%)$ | $21(35 \%)$ | $7(12 \%)$ | $12(20 \%)$ | $2(3 \%)$ |
| Total Coaches | $33(28 \%)$ | $48(40 \%)$ | $14(12 \%)$ | $20(17 \%)$ | $5(4 \%)$ |

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Item 20. Coaches must respect the officials' position of authority regardless of what they think of the officials personally.

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Strong1y } \\ & \text { Agree } \end{aligned}$ | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strong1y <br> Disagree |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1A Boys' Coaches | 4 (27\%) | 9 (60\%) | 1 (7\%) | 0 | 1 (7\%) |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | 8 (53\%) | 5 (33\%) | 0 | 1 (7\%) | 1 (7\%) |
| 1A Total | 12 (40\%) | 14 (47\%) | 1 (3\%) | 1 (3\%) | 2 (7\%) |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | 8 (53\%) | 7 (47\%) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | 5 (33\%) | 8 (53\%) | 2 (13\%) | 0 | 0 |
| 2A Total | 13 (43\%) | 15 (50\%) | 2 (7\%) | 0 | 0 |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | 6 (40\%) | 7 (47\%) | 1 (7\%) | 1 (7\%) | 0 |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | 4 (27\%) | 11 (73\%) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3A Total | 10 (33\%) | 18 (60\%) | 1 (3\%) | 1 (3\%) | 0 |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | 6 (40\%) | 8 (53\%) | 0 | 0 | 1 (7\%) |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | 7 (47\%) | 7 (47\%) | 1 (7\%) | 0 | 0 |
| 4A Total | 13 (43\%) | 15 (50\%) | 1 (3\%) | 0 | 1 (3\%) |


|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $24(40 \%)$ | $31(52 \%)$ | $2(3 \%)$ | $1(2 \%)$ | $2(3 \%)$ |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $24(40 \%)$ | $31(52 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ | $1(2 \%)$ | $1(2 \%)$ |
| Total Coaches | $48(40 \%)$ | $62(52 \%)$ | $5(4 \%)$ | $2(2 \%)$ | $3(3 \%)$ |

Item 21. Coaches want officials who are in complete control of the game, players, and coaches.

| IA Boys' Coaches | $8(53 \%)$ | $7(47 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | $6(40 \%)$ | $8(53 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 1A Total | $14(47 \%)$ | $15(50 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | $1(3 \%)$ |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | $6(40 \%)$ | $9(60 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | $10(67 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2A Total | $16(53 \%)$ | $14(47 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | $11(73 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | $6(40 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 3A Total | $17(57 \%)$ | $8(27 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ | $3(10 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |
| 4A Boys' Coaches | $10(67 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 | $1(7 \%)$ | 0 |
| 4A Girls' Coaches | $8(53 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| 4A Total | $18(60 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ | 0 |
| Total Boys' Coaches | $35(58 \%)$ | $24(40 \%)$ | 0 | $1(2 \%)$ | 0 |
| Total Girls' Coaches | $30(50 \%)$ | $23(38 \%)$ | $2(3 \%)$ | $3(5 \%)$ | $2(3 \%)$ |
| Total Coaches | $65(54 \%)$ | $47(39 \%)$ | $2(2 \%)$ | $4(3 \%)$ | $2(2 \%)$ |

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Item 22. Coaches should be required to pass the National Federation of State High School Association's Basketball Officiating Examination

|  | Strongly <br> Agree | Agree | Undecided | Disagree | Strongly <br> Disagree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1A Boys' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 1A Girls' Coaches | $2(13 \%)$ | $8(53 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $1(7 \%)$ |
| 1A Total | $6(20 \%)$ | $14(47 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | $1(3 \%)$ |
| 2A Boys' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $4(27 \%)$ | 0 |
| 2A Girls' Coaches | $7(47 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | 0 | 0 |
| 2A Total | $11(37 \%)$ | $10(33 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | $4(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Boys' Coaches | $5(33 \%)$ | $5(33 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Girls' Coaches | $4(27 \%)$ | $6(40 \%)$ | $2(13 \%)$ | $3(20 \%)$ | 0 |
| 3A Total | $9(30 \%)$ | $11(37 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | $5(17 \%)$ | 0 |



## Appendix K

Mean Scores for Survey Instrument

## BASKETBALL COACH OPINIONNAIRE

() Boys' Coach
( ) Inform me of the study's results
( ) Girls' Coach
( ) Total number of years varsity head coaching experience

Directions: Please respond by circling the appropriate number which represents your opinion of that statement. Please answer all items and make whatever comments or clarifications you wish. I hope you will return the opinionnaire to your athletic director as quickly as possible. Thank you for your time and opinions.
Key:
(1) Strongly Agree
(2) Agree
(3) Undecided
(4) Disagree
(5) Strongly Disagree

Mean
Score
2.38
3.22
2.28

1. Officials have a thorough knowledge of the rule book.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS:
2. Officials work hard every game.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
3. Officials are honest and have integrity.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS:
(appendix continues)

Mean
Score
2.25
2.65
1.55
2.28
2.66
4. Officials' application of the rules is the most important aspect of their job.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
5. Officials are unconcerned with the outcome of the game, which team wins.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
6. The lack of consistency by officials causes players and coaches to adjust and readjust their playing styles.
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COMMENTS :
7. Officials should provide evidence of a basketball background.
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COMMENTS :
8. Honest testing would be a beneficial screening device for beginning officials.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
(appendix continues)

Mean Score
9. Psychological testing would be a beneficial screening device for beginning officials.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS:
10. Beginning officials need better training and supervision.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
11. Successful officiating requires a certain temperament and personality.
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COMMENTS:
12. Officials are competent in court positioning and proper mechanics.
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COMMENTS :
13. Officials seem to be defensive and use their position of authority to penalize a coach or team that has challenged their role of game administrator.
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COMMENTS :
(appendix continues)
14. The relationship between officials and coaches is, too freequently, antagonistic.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
16. The advent of the third official will improve officiating on all levels.
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COMMENTS:
17. Camps, clinics, and workshops would benefit officials and improve officiating on all levels.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ COMMENTS :
18. There are ample young officials entering the profession to offset the number of older and more experienced officials leaving.
$\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5\end{array}$
COMMENTS :
(appendix continues)

Mean
Score
2.31
1.78
2.22
19. Coaches should have a voice in the recruiting of officials.
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COMMENTS :
20. Coaches must respect the officials' position of authority regardless of what they think of the officials personally.
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COMMENTS :
21. Coaches want officials who are in complete control of the game, players, and coaches.
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COMMENTS :
22. Coaches should be required to pass the National Federation of State High School Association's Basketball Officiating Examination.
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COMMENTS :

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