

High School Soccer Officials
MINUTES OF MEETING
27 February, 2017, 4:00 P.M.
CHSAA Building

Attendees:

William Gessner, HSSO, President
John Bissell, HSSO, Vice President for Evaluation and Discipline
Conor McGahey, HSSO, Vice President for Officials Liaison & Recruitment
Charles Shub, HSSO, Secretary
Mike Chipman, HSSO, Director of Officials' Clinics and Rules Interpreter
Neal Fausset, HSSO, Director of Liaison and Special Projects
Jamie Morgan, Referee, Guest

- I. Call to Order: 4 pm
- II. Remarks and Presentations by Guests: None.
- III. Remarks and Presentations by CHSAA Representatives:

Gessner reported receiving an e-mail from Mr. Ozzello confirming the following spring dates:

- First Practice Date February 27
- First Scrimmage Date March 4
- First Contest March 9
- End of Regular Season May 6
- State Semifinal 2A May 17 DPS
- State Semifinals 3A/4A/5A May 20 DPS; Echo Park; Legacy Stadium
- State Championships 2A/3A May 23
- State Championships 4A/5A May 24

- IV. Review and Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting (12 September 2016): Move to approve as presented by Shub, second by Chipman, passed with one abstension.

- V. Reports and Action Items by Board Members:

A. President – William Gessner:

1. Referee Recruitment Incentives:

- a. The board will brainstorm via email over the next week to develop a recruiting flyer to be sent to clubs. McGahey will then design the flyer.
- b. Gessner will investigate the possibility of providing complimentary admission to the 4A/5A finals to USSF referees as a recruiting incentive.

- c. After discussion, a motion to reinstate a recruiting incentive of \$10 per recruit (up to 3 recruits per year) was made by McGahey and seconded by Bissell. The motion passed without dissent.
- B. Vice President for Evaluation and Discipline – John Bissell:
 - 1. Discussion of referee clinic:
 - a. Faussett will run the clinic and Bissell will coordinate
 - b. Students will attend classes and officiate 2 games each day
 - c. Fliers and announcements will be sent via email to save money
 - d. Tentative schedule July 21-23 at Dove Valley
 - 2. Discussion of finding Referee Evaluators. The plan is to find additional evaluators willing to travel to games to the south, north, and west of greater Denver.
- C. Vice President for Liaison & Recruitment – Conor McGahey:
 - 1. Discussions with the Colorado Rapids on partnership arrangements are continuing.
- D. Secretary – Charles Shub:
 - 1. The board confirmed that a request by a former HSSO Official who had been overseas that he be grandfathered again had been approved.
 - 2. A motion by John Bissell and seconded by Neal Faussett to approve minor redactions to prior minutes for web site posting passed without dissent.
 - 3. The board confirmed that the website posting policy circulated earlier this month was approved via email.
 - 4. The timetable for the upcoming election was clarified:
 - a. Shub will send an email asking incumbents if they want to run in mid April and will arrange for an email to be sent to the membership soliciting nominations in early May
 - b. The ballot should be conducted via survey monkey similar to the playoff referee balloting
 - c. The board agreed that the ballot should contain a question as to whether the dues contain an additional \$7.00 fee to provide rulebooks to members.
- E. Treasurer – Robert Mogge: Nothing in addition to the emailed draft report.
- F. Director of Officials Clinics & Rules Interpreter – Mike Chipman:
 - 1. Mr. Garrie Crispin has replaced Steve Herrera as Area 3 Director
- G. Director of Liaison and Special Projects – Neal Fausset: Nothing to Report.
- VI. Old Business:

- A. Requests for waiver for purposes of upgrade for Esfand Yar and Jamie Morgan were granted.
- B. A request for waiver for purposes of upgrade for Lee Hulset will be granted after he completes officiating 20 matches.

VII. New Business:

- A. There was a lengthy discussion of several issues related to the Denver Draw. Pursuant to the discussion there was a motion by Bissell seconded by McGahey that a Referee Rating Committee for that area of the front range from Castle Rock to Fort Collins. The purpose of the committee is to rate officials participating in the Denver Draw for better matching of officials and games. The committee shall consist of:

- 1. 2 HSSO Board Members (Bissell and Faussett)
- 2. 4 coaches/Ads (2 from 5A schools and 1 each from 4A and 3A schools)
- 3. 2 top rated referees

The motion passed without dissent. Bissell and Faussett were provided with suggestions for potential coaches and referees.

- B. Future meetings:

- 1. March 27, 2017 at 4:00
- 2. April 17, 2017 at 2:00

VIII. Executive Session: None.

- IX. Adjournment: 5:45 pm. Motion by McGahey seconded by Chipman passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Charles Shub,
Secretary