



HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER OFFICIALS

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, October 2, 2019, 1300

Attendees:

Name	Title	Present
Ken Hehir	HSSO President	Yes
John Bissell	HSSO Vice President for Evaluation & Discipline	Yes
Connor McGahey	HSSO Vice President for Officials Liaison & Recruitment	Yes (via phone)
Sonja Dawson Urano	HSSO Secretary	No
Jason Hampton	HSSO Treasurer	Yes
Mike Chipman	HSSO Director of Officials Clinics & Rules Interpreter	Yes
Neal Fausset	HSSO Director of Liaison & Special Projects	Yes

1. Call to order @ 1328
2. Remarks and Presentations by Guests – No guests present
3. Remarks and Presentations by CHSAA Representatives – No CHSAA Rep present
4. Review and Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting – It was moved and seconded to pass the previous meeting minutes; motion carried
5. Reports and Action Items by Board Members:
 - A. President – Ken Hehir
 - i. CHSAA Online Game Report Form – must see the green “accept” confirmation and will also receive a copy of the submitted report by email from “chsaa.forms”. The form now allows for “coach” to be entered into the jersey number column to report any misconduct by Technical Area staff. Need to fully detail all misconduct in the “notes” section.
 - ii. Thornton High School – Incident regarding Referee Assault by the Thornton Head Coach. There is currently no known game film and the Thornton Athletic Director backed the HC’s story of the incident to CHSAA. Thornton player (not on submitted roster) was shown a Red Card for fighting a Pomona player, Spectators entered the field of play and the match was Terminated by the Referee, which lead to the Thornton HC assaulting the Referee. The Police were called to the facility. The Referees report of the events coincides the other assigned crew members reports from the match. CHSAA has suspended the HC for 1 game, placed on probation for the remainder of the season, and Thornton is required to have an Administrator at the team’s bench during games. The HSSO Board did not feel this was an adequate punishment by CHSAA. Discussed offering the Boards backing to HSSO Membership to “turnback” any future assignments involving Thornton if the assigned Referee(s) do not feel “safe” taking the match.

- iii. NFHS Rules Questionnaire – Recommended to implement new IFAB changes. Also recommend the requirement that all players must be added to the Roster prior to the start of the match, and not allow for any additional player to be added after the start without facing a Penalty by the team for fielding an ineligible player, similar to other NFHS sanctioned sports.
- iv. Miscellaneous Game Reports – Including email, verbal, and additional reports not submitted to CHSAA of a Referee being squirted by a water bottle , questionable crew assignments with a less skilled Referee on games of higher difficulty, and games from the Western Slope with a few issues.

B. Vice President for Evaluation & Discipline – John Bissell

- i. Discussion with ArbiterSports has continued regarding correcting the Referee rating categories, and now there are spring games already loaded into the CHSAA-Soccer account, possibly DPS and ASO games.
- ii. Referee Rating Committee – looking to add another few members (Coaches and Referees)

C. Vice President for Liaison & Recruitment – Conor McGahey

- i. Multiple conversations with a Referee regarding assignments, quality of games, etc.

D. Secretary – Sonja Urano

- i. No Report submitted prior to meeting.

E. Treasurer – Jason Hampton

- i. Chase Bank – will need to decide as a Board what we would like to do with the CD set to mature on Dec 31
- ii. Website – keeping documents and meeting minutes / future meetings updated for Membership along with adding link to follow from our website directly to the CHSAA Game Report form.

F. Director of Officials Clinics & Rules Interpreter – Mike Chipman

- i. Report of Membership who have completed the NFHS Rules test (online plus paper) is less than total members, leading to Referees either having not completed the test while having Refereed games and/or having paid the HSSO Membership after having Refereed games. This creates a risk for all involved, including the Referee, CHSSA, Assignors, etc.
- ii. Spring Only – 2019/2020 New Membership Form is updated reflecting the reduced \$40 Spring Only HSSO cost and we have one new Referee signup.

G. Director of Liaison and Special Projects – Neal Fausset

- i. Offered opinion regarding the Thornton HC assaulting a Referee and that the CHSAA punishment is inadequate.

6. Old Business.

- A. Turnbacks – Fewer known since last meeting. One Referee that the board must check/determine status.

7. New Business:

A. Future meetings: Wednesday, November 20th; 4pm at Tivoli Brewing

B. Other New Business.

i. Playoffs – Voting survey from CHSAA will be sent out soon.

ii. Playoff Committee – Discussion regarding Past President vs CHSAA “rules” not allowing Committee member to be assigned a CHSAA Playoff game unless it is a “last minute” replacement, Season-over-Season assignment eligibility, crews required to “work together” prior to a CHSAA Championship match (Semifinal or Final)

iii. It was moved & seconded to allow Playoff Committee members to have no restrictions on being assigned to referee in the CHSAA playoffs; motion carried.

iv. Playoff Committee meet on 10/28, reminder to Membership to update ArbiterSports (Information, Profile photo, Blocks)

8. Adjournment @ 1454