

## HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER OFFICIALS

## <u>Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – Thursday, March 19,2020 3:00pm</u> <u>Teleconference due to COVID-19 Shutdown</u>

## Attendees:

Name	Title	Present
Ken Hehir	HSSO President	Yes (via phone)
John Bissell	HSSO Vice President for Evaluation & Discipline	Yes (via phone)
Connor McGahey	HSSO Vice President for Officials Liaison & Recruitment	Yes (via phone)
Sonja Dawson Urano	HSSO Secretary	Yes (via phone)
Jason Hampton	HSSO Treasurer	Yes (via phone)
Mike Chipman	HSSO Director of Officials Clinics & Rules Interpreter	Yes (via phone)
Neal Fausset	HSSO Director of Liaison & Special Projects	Yes (via phone)

- 1. Call to order @ 1509
- 2. Remarks and Presentations by Guests No guests present on phone conference.
- 3. Remarks and Presentations by CHSAA Representatives Not 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. No report, will present on new business
  - B. Vice President for Evaluation & Discipline John Bissell
    - Continued work on Referee rankings, there is a discrepancy in rankings of Officials (Boys/Girls/Soccer, Referee vs AR) leading to differences in total Ranked vs Unranked numbers.
  - C. Vice President for Liaison & Recruitment Conor McGahey
    - Have not received questions or comments at this point from Membership regarding school closures/shutdowns and game cancellations due to COVID-19.
  - D. Secretary Sonja Urano
    - i. No report.
  - E. Treasurer Jason Hampton
    - Discussion regarding Spring-Only registrations and how to handle if partial vs full season postponement/cancellation.
    - Discovery of additional Non-Registered individuals who were assigned matches during the Fall 2019
       season. Discussion regarding Penalty Registration payment required if registering for 2020-2021 year.

- F. Director of Officials Clinics & Rules Interpreter Mike Chipman
  - Discussion regarding merging of Referee membership list between Mike, Jason & Monica with CHSAA to help eliminate Non-Registered individuals being used by Assignors.
  - ii. A total of 9 Spring 2020 Pre-Season clinics were held.
  - iii. Discussion regarding Referee badges for 2020-2021 year.
- G. Director of Liaison and Special Projects Neal Fausset
  - Discussion of delays/postponements of CHSAA High School matches, Colorado Soccer Association youth leagues, MLS professional leagues.
  - ii. No reports to date of known HSSO Referee exposures to COVID-19 mostly due to only having one day of matches (Thursday 3/12/2020) with the majority of Schools and/or Districts opting to cancel/postpone games on first date of play.
- 6. Old Business.
  - A. None
- 7. New Business:

## A. Ken Hehir

- i. Initial delay/postponement by CHSAA was effective 3/13/2020 to 4/6/2020. On 3/17/2020 CHSAA extended the minimum delay/postponement of the Spring season until 4/18/2020. This date only allows for possible 3-week season utilizing current CHSAA published dates for Season End, Playoff Start, and Championships.
- ii. Discussion of Message to HSSO Membership regarding how to handle possible cancellation of full Spring season with regards to Membership registration. Will need to discuss / amend previous decision of 2020-2021 Registration Fees. (Full Year \$ 50, Late Full Year \$ 60, Spring Only \$ 40). Recommendation for HSSO to reduce the registration fee for those who are currently registered for 2019/2020 as Member-in-Good-Standing for 2020/2021 year.
- iii. Discussion of Memo received from CHSAA Tom Robinson regarding a change in the Registration method by CHSAA for all Officials to take effect for the 2021/2022 year. A single registration method for the Official directly to CHSAA through ArbiterSports which allows CHSAA to eliminate "duplication" of individuals being "registered" multiple times if they participate in multiple sports for CHSAA. This also allows for a clean registration list of members for CHSAA and to reduce/eliminate the liability of having Non-Registered officials.
- iv. Extension of the HSSO registration timeline for the 2020/2021 year. Typically, registration begins April 1st

- for the following year, with deadline of late fees after June  $1^{st}$ . Will move the registration deadline for late fees to July  $15^{th}$  for the 2020/2021 year.
- v. Discussion on the impact of delay/postponement of Registration deadline for the upcoming Elections.

  Previous membership vs New Year membership being able to vote, need to check Constitution.
- vi. NFHS Rules Book 2020/2021 will be included in the Membership fee.
- B. Motion to amend 2020/2021 Registration Fee (\$50/\$60/\$40), seconded, opened for discussion. Amended
  - It was moved (by John Bissell) & seconded (by Neal Fausset) that Current Member-in-Good-Standing 2020-2021 Fee will be \$25.00 prior to July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020; \$50.00 after July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020; and \$40.00 for 2021 Spring Only. New Members will be \$50.00 for Full Year. Motion Carried.
- C. Future meetings: April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 3pm by Phone Conference.
- 8. Adjournment @ 1622