

Soccer Referees,

I hope you are all well and staying safe during these unprecedented times. It was very tough to hear the official news of the cancellation of the Spring Season – even although we expected it the longer the crisis went on. It was especially tough on all the seniors who missed out on their final season.

The Board of Directors has been meeting regularly and moving forward with making plans for next season (fall '20/Spring '21) even though that may also be affected. The 2 areas that need your attention are registration/membership renewal and nominations for elections.

Registration and membership renewal for the 2020/21 Season

The <u>Membership Form</u> contains all the details for 2020/21 registration – how to sign up online, fee structure and payment methods. There are 2 changes to normal practice:

Fees

The Board has decided to reduce fees for **current members** to acknowledge the cancellation of the 2020 spring season. This applies to members who were paid up for the full season 2019/20 or for the spring 2020 season.

Full Year fees for 20/21 will be \$25 if paid before July 15th. After July 15th the fee will revert to \$50 New or renewing members fees is \$50.

Spring only members who paid \$40 for the spring season will have that money carried forward to cover 20/21 fees and will receive a \$15 refund.

Payments

In addition to paying by e-check in Arbiter or mailing a check there will also be an option to pay using PayPal Full details on Registration in the Membership Form.

Election Nominations Note from HSSO Secretary

Below is a note from Sonja, our Secretary detailing the nomination process which requires a response by Friday May 22nd. Following that an online ballot will be prepared and sent out the following week.

At the end of our 'non season' I'd like to thank the board and everyone else who helped out for their hard work, dedication to the game, and messages of support throughout the year. In times like these there are lots of things we miss and for me part of that is our time on the fields which moving forward we should never take for granted. I sincerely hope I see you all on the field this fall.

Stay safe and well

Ken Hehir President, Colorado HSSO 720 530 9945

Greetings,

For this election, there are two HSSO Board of Director positions and the ten Area Director positions on the ballot.

HSSO Board of Directors: Check your copy of the HSSO Constitution and By-Laws to see what is expected for each position up for election. Please check to see if the person you nominate is willing to serve for two years, and please feel free to nominate yourself. Attendance at monthly Board meetings is expected, but may, at times, be electronic rather than physical. If you have any questions please reach out to myself or Ken Hehir.

Secretary (incumbent is Sonja Urano who is willing to serve again) **VP Evaluation & Discipline** (incumbent is John Bissell who is willing to serve again)

AREA DIRECTORS: Check your copy of the HSSO Constitution and By-Laws to see what is expected of Area Directors. (Basically, if the nominee can arrange meeting times and places and liaison with the Board (attending Board meetings is not in the job description), lives in the area and is a current, active member of HSSO, the nominee is qualified.) Please check to see if the person you nominate is willing to serve for a year, and please feel free to nominate yourself. Your reply should include your name, the nominee's name, and which area applies. You should place nominations only for your own area.

Area Counties:

Area #1--Moffat, Routt, Jackson

Area #2--Rio Blanco, Garfield, Eagle, Pitkin, Lake

Area #3--Mesa, Delta, Montrose, Ouray, San Miguel, Gunnison, Hinsdale

Area #4--Dolores, Montezuma, LaPlata, San Juan, Archuleta

Area #5--Mineral, Saguache, Rio Grande, Conejos, Alamosa, Costilla, Las Animas, Huerfano, Custer, Pueblo,

Crowley, Otero, Kiowa, Bent, Prowers, Baca

Area #6--Fremont, Chaffee, Park, El Paso, Teller, Lincoln, Cheyenne, Kit Carson

Area #7--Douglas, Arapahoe, Elbert

Area #8--Jefferson, Clear Creek, Summit, Gilpin, Grand

Area #9--Denver, Adams, Broomfield, Boulder

Area #10--Larimer, Weld, Morgan, Logan, Washington, Yuma, Phillips, Sedgwick.

Anyone interested in running for these positions should contact the HSSO Secretary

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All nominations or volunteer applications must be received by May 22, 2020.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

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