



MEETING AGENDA

General Membership Meeting #7

Tuesday October 13, 2020

Sahib Temple – 7pm

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**
- IV. NO VOTE ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION – MINUTES VERIFIED 10/2010**
- V. REPORT OF THE TREASURER**
- VI. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**
 - *President – Sean McCue**
 - *Vice President – Ron Cathel**
 - *Secretary – Jeff Phillips**
 - *Booking Commissioner – Jason Heckman**
- VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - *Assignment Committee ~ Chair: Dan Edwards**
 - *Education Committee ~ Chair: Kevin Fruchy**
 - *Entertainment Committee ~ Chair: OPEN**
 - *Evaluation Committee ~ Chair: OPEN**
 - *Grievance Committee ~ Chair: Dave Hall**
 - *Recommendation Committee ~ Chris Smith**
- VII. OLD BUSINESS**
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS**
 - Nomination of Officers – President & Secretary (Even Years)**
- IX. GAME REVIEWS**
- X. REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER**
- XI. ADJOURNMENT**

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

- A. The Executive Board, also known as officers, has the dual responsibility of insuring, in so far as its practical, the assignment of the best qualified officials available for each game, and that each official has the opportunity to improve his/her proficiency and state ranking.
- B. The elected officers of GCFOA, who shall be members of the Executive Board as hereinafter provided, shall be:
1. President
 2. Vice-President
 3. Secretary
 4. Treasurer
 5. Commissioner
- C. The term of office shall be two years, with the President and Secretary being elected in that order in the even years, and the Commissioner, Vice-President, and Treasurer in that order in odd years.
- D. To be eligible for any office, a member must hold an FHSAA football ranking of "2" or higher at the time of the election.
- E. There shall be no limitations on the number of terms an officer may serve.
- F. The Commissioner and Treasurer shall be paid an annual salary established by the Executive Board, subject to approval by the active membership. All officers shall be reimbursed or pre-paid for legitimate expenses incurred on behalf of GCFOA, upon approval of the Executive Board.
- G. An officer of GCFOA may be removed from office under the following conditions:
1. A written petition for removal of an office shall be filed with the Secretary by any member or group of members of GCFOA alleging improper conduct, malfeasance, misfeasance, dishonesty, gross neglect of duty, or gross incompetence in connection with the performance of the officer's duties.
 2. The Executive Board shall conduct a due process hearing on the petition. The Executive Board, by a majority vote, shall make a written recommendation to the membership of GCFOA as to whether the removal shall be upheld or denied with the reasons set forth. At the next meeting of GCFOA at which there is a special quorum of two-thirds of the active membership present, a three-fourths vote of the active members present will effectuate the Executive Board's recommendation to remove, or, by the same vote, will override the Board's recommendations to deny the petition, thus resulting in the removal of said officer.
- H. The Executive Board will appoint all committees of the GCFOA as set forth in FHSAA Officials handbooks, as well as additional committees when deemed necessary with majority rule. (Added Feb. 23d 2004)

Committees and their Responsibilities:

1. **EVALUATION COMMITTEE:** The evaluation committee is responsible for setting up the process and selecting those individuals who will assist with the evaluation of member officials within the local association. Each official with two or more years experience should be evaluated at least once during the season. First year officials should be evaluated periodically throughout the season.
2. **ASSIGNMENT COMMITTEE:** The assignment committee is responsible for overseeing the entire contest assignment procedure within the local officials associations. This includes ensuring compliance with requirements on the composition of officiating crews, reviewing and approving each member official's schedule of assigned contests, and making the assigning officer aware of any corrections that need to be made before the assignment schedule is submitted to the membership. It is not implied that the assignment committee is to make the assignments.
3. **RECOMMENDATIONS COMMITTEE:** The recommendations committee is responsible for reviewing the evaluations of each member official during the regular season. This committee is also responsible for preparing and submitting to the FHSAA Office a list of member officials who deserve consideration for assignment to the STATE SERIES contests. The assignment officer should act on the recommendations of this committee.
4. **GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE:** The grievance committee is responsible for hearing complaints and appeals made or brought by one or more of its member officials. Member officials who have grievances because of penalties may appeal under the provision of the local officials associations' Constitution and By-Laws.
5. **EDUCATION/TRAINING COMMITTEE:** The Education/Training Committee is responsible for the planning, content and implementation of training sessions, including on-the-field (court) training. This also includes educating local officials on FHSAA policies and procedures, NFHS rules and mechanics, and developing a curriculum that is current and effective in both content and methodology.

ARTICLE VI

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

A. The duties of the President shall be:

1. To preside at all meetings of GCFOA and the Executive Board.
2. To call such special meetings of GCFOA or the Executive Board as he/she shall deem necessary.
3. To appoint committees of the GCFOA as set forth in the FHSAA Officials' Handbook, as well as additional committees when deemed necessary.
4. To represent GCFOA in all dealings with the outside agencies or persons, except for those powers specifically delegated to the Commissioner.
5. To assist the Commissioner, upon request, in dealing with outside agencies or persons.
6. To conduct, with outside agencies or persons, such correspondence that is in the best interests of GCFOA, or to assign same to the Secretary.
7. To assign a Rules Interpreter(s).
8. To perform such other duties as are provided, or shall be provided, elsewhere in this Constitution.

A. The duties of the Secretary shall be:

9. To preside at the meetings of GCFOA and the Executive Board in the absence of both the President and Vice-President.
10. To maintain official records of GCFOA, including copies of the Constitution and amendments thereto.
11. To give notice to all regular and special meetings of GCFOA.
12. To record and keep minutes of all meetings of GCFOA and the Executive Board, and to present same for appropriate approval.
13. To correspond with the members of GCFOA, and outside agencies and persons, as directed by the President.
14. To keep an accurate attendance record for all meetings and clinics.
15. To perform such other duties as are provided, or shall be provided, elsewhere in this Constitution.

GULF COAST FOOTBALL OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION

WHAT: GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING #6
WHERE: SAHIB TEMPLE
WHEN: TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 29, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

President Sean McCue called General Membership Meeting #6 to order at 7:05 PM

BOARD REPORTS

President - Sean McCue

- *Sean discussed locker room access and that any waiver of masks from Superintendent
- *Sean discussed BR lets into locker room, water, Gatorade.
- *Come dressed, wear masks to and from locker room...be aware of form to sign
- *Receivers not checking into numbers...wing officials be aware of this first minutes of the game and communicate with both players and coaches
~ Not an Association Policy..RULE!!

ROLL CALL

Secretary - Jeff Phillips

Jeff performed Roll Call. Original Roll Call noted Thirty-Five (35) Officials in attendance; 25 at Sahib Temple and 10 via Zoom. One additional arrival via Zoom adjusted Roll Call to Thirty-Six (36) Officials in attendance; 25 at Sahib Temple and 11 via Zoom.

Sixty-Six (66) Members Active; therefore, Thirty-Four (34) Officials must be in attendance for a Quorum. Quorum recognized and communicated to President McCue. Twenty-Four (24) Votes must be cast

Jeff requested three Tellers to monitor and tabulate the Votes. Geoff Maltby and Greg Hagopian will monitor and tabulate Ballots from Members at Sahib Temple; Andrew Myers will tabulate all Zoom voting. Geoff and Greg distributed One Ballot to each member at Sahib Temple.

Prior to Polling, Floor opened to discussion.

Mark Sauro noted he requested minutes from Secretary to verify historical vote permitting a goatee, and was informed by the Secretary that minutes could not be verified and not officially put into records or Constitution. Mark proposed Amendment change primarily to add goatee provision and then added facial hair.

Jeff McCrosky noted he was a Member and present at the time the original Amendment was passed. Jeff stated Chris Cowcak, a former member, proposed the neatly trimmed goatee Amendment and was passed.

Jeff Phillips moved to close discussion.

Motion to Close Discussion: Robert Scott
Second to the Motion: Ron Egan
Discussion: None

Motion to Close Discussion Approved

Jeff provided instructions on Ballot to bubble vote. Sean provided instructions to Zoom Members.

Jeff verified every Active Voter had voted by asking: 'Have All Voted Who Wish To Vote?'

After hearing affirmative by no one raising objection, Geoff and Greg tabulated all votes.

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| Number of Votes Cast | 36 |
| Necessary for Amendment Passage | 24 |
| Proposed Amendment "YES" | 16 |
| Proposed Amendment "NO" | 20 |

Tellers handed Ballots to Jeff for retention and completed the tabulation as noted above. Jeff verified tabulation with Tellers and handed the above tabulation to Sean.

Sean declared Proposed Amendment to Constitution had not passed.

Sean noted we revert back to By Laws as stated. Jason then re-read GCFOA Constitution, Article IV, Duties of Membership, Paragraph 'B,' Line 3:

Wear the proper game uniform and accessories. Maintain a neat appearance, including wearing a neat and clean uniform, having a conservative haircut, and being clean-shaven. (A neatly trimmed moustache is permissible).

Jeff McCrosky was recognized and proposed a motion to change Line #3 above (changes in bold, underlined italics below) to state:

3. Wear the proper game uniform and accessories. Maintain a neat appearance, including wearing a neat and clean uniform, having a conservative haircut, and being clean-shaven **or a neatly trimmed moustache and/or goatee per Gulf Coast Football Officials Association Board of Directors.**

As noted in Point of Order, only way to change Constitution is to provide a motion to Amend the Constitution and bring the matter to vote in accordance with the same protocol as the most current Amendment to the Constitution.

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| <i>Motion to Amend Constitution as noted above:</i> | <i>Jeff McCrosky</i> |
| <i>Second to the Motion:</i> | <i>Mark McCrone</i> |
| <i>Discussion:</i> | <i>None</i> |

Scott Van Ness recognized and stated since an exception was provided to allow a beard until the proposed Amendment was voted, the same courtesy should be provided for those who wear a goatee, until such time the proposed Amendment is voted in two weeks.

Kevin Fruchy, Jason Heckman, Chris Cawchak and Sean McCue stated they were present when the original goatee was proposed and voted to accept.

Executive Board unanimously approved two-week exception to allow a goatee until vote on Amendment

Jeff Lacey was recognized, and asked if the original documentation can be discovered allowing goatees will the provision be granted and the proposed Amendment discarded. Sean stated if we cannot verify before next meeting then this proposed Amendment will stand.

Sean requested a motion to close discussion

Motion to Close Discussion: **Ron Cathel**
Second to the Motion: **Lon Schindler**
Discussion: **None**

Motion to Close Discussion Approved

Sean stated in two weeks this new Amendment will be read and voted on.

MINUTES

Jeff Phillips called for a Motion to Approve the Minutes of General Membership Meeting #5

Motion to Approve: **Kevin Fruchy**
Second to the Motion: **Drew Myers**
Discussion: **None**

Motion to Approve Minutes Passed

JLA Cards PLEASE

Sean: Everyone need to contact Jeff regarding your card or why you are exempt from JLA

Jason: If you do not have your JLA I cannot put you on a Playoff Crew

Treasurer - Ron Egan

*No Treasurer Report

Vice President – Ron Cathel

*Ron to present Video Training – Five Man Mechanics

- Ball going in to End Zone or not

-Wings: Stay off the sideline! Give yourself depth

-Goal Line Mechanics...communication with wings and BJ

CLOSING COMMENTS

Sean: Next Meeting two weeks from Today (10/13/20)

No Questions or Comments

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to Adjourn: Unknown - Verbal
Second to Motion: Unknown - Verbal
Motion Passed

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted,

Jeff Phillips
Secretary