



Pensacola Soccer Referee Association (PSRA)

PENSACOLA FLORIDA

24 September 2023

PSRA 5:30PM BOD & 6:00PM Membership Training Meeting at Beef O'Brady's

5:35-6:18 PM– BOD Members Demo, Mike, Scott, John, David, Doc, Kamran & Warren met to plan pre-season actions & this evening's membership/training meeting.

6:18-6:57 PM membership/training meeting led by PSRA Pres. Adolfo "Demo" DeMontalvo with 17 members attending.

Minutes:

- 1) Reminder of the 2023-2024 NFHS rules changes & points of emphasis to learn and apply to games. Demo had rule books, PSRA uniform patches & flip coins for meeting attendees.
- 2) PSRA nominated 3 new senior referee evaluators to FHSAA for certification. Once certified (in process), we will have 5 evaluators.
- 3) 35 referees have registered for the season. The rest need to complete their FHSAA registration as early as possible, and NLT Oct. 23. We need 45-50 to fully cover our clients.
- 4) So far we have recruited 4-5 new referees and WELCOME them. We will mentor and train them.
- 5) Required exams will be available online starting Oct. 16 thru Nov. 27. Since our first matches are Nov. 6, let's all take them before Nov. 6! We strive to score a minimum of 75 (to ensure eligibility to ref Varsity games) and our PSRA annual exam member average is always in the high 90's—exemplifying PSRA excellence. See the FHSAA website for how to take the test, and/or ask a PSRA senior referee who would be glad to partner with you for success.
- 6) Demo will coordinate and lead Escambia and Santa Rosa County FHSAA rules coach's clinics.
- 7) Treasurer Dave reviewed a 2 page "pay expectations" document all meeting attendees signed. It will be posted to our website.
- 8) Demo did training overviews for *early* season focus: handling/reporting irresponsible coach behavior and reporting school uniform and field layout deficiencies (via FHSAA form AT-6M). Let's also submit a school(s) for exceptional sportsmanship when it's obvious (via FHSAA form AT-7). Review with Demo before sending these. Reminder we are always on video, so maintain professionalism and prudent conversation everywhere at your schools.
- 9) Like previously, we are looking to have October (dates TBD) field trainings as area teams do their pre-season practice games. This training is for new referees, mentored by seasoned senior referees.
- 10) Demo and Secretary Warren reminded that it is an FHSAA requirement to attend at least 3 membership/training meetings per season to be eligible to officiate post-season games. Warren reminded that PSRA logo technical t-shirts are available in all sizes, including small and medium.
- 11) Treasurer Dave summarized the PSRA budget status. Current bank balance is enough to cover all usual recurring expenses and still net about \$800 to cover unexpected and/or discretionary expenses. All were reminded of the \$35 PSRA membership and \$5 per PSRA t-shirt fees (for those new, those who didn't get theirs last year or want another this year) to be deducted from first games' pay.
- 12) For forward planning, our meetings are scheduled for the next 3 months as follows:
 - a) October: Oct. 8 at Beef O'Brady's at 6pm, Oct. 22 ZOOM at 6pm.
 - b) November: Nov. 5 at Beef O'Brady's at 6pm, Nov. 19 ZOOM at 6pm.
 - c) December: Dec. 3 at Beef O'Brady's at 6pm, Dec. 10 ZOOM at 6pm.

Represent PSRA and The Art of FHSAA Soccer Refereeing Well on the Pitch This Season!!

FALL IS HERE!

Warren Pfister
Secretary

For the Love of the Game!