

COSOA GENERAL MEETING

September 19, 2012

St. Charles Medical Center

7:00 p.m.

Welcome

Attendance taken by L. Evoy.

Minutes of last meeting were in the Sep. 16th Newsletter. Minutes approved.

Commissioner's Report (Leslie Evoy):

- All schools paid except one
- Many last minute changes – 4 or 5 new ADs who are learning – CHECK IN REGULARLY with OSC – fields change, times change, Sisters wildfire issues . . .
- Rosters, AD phone numbers, W9s, USSF recertification info available from Leslie

Assignor's Report (Pat Evoy):

- Check OSC website and check with ADs as even at last minute there are changes – in high school, if a team is late and has not shown up protocol is to wait until the host school releases you - they will usually be in touch with visiting team
- Mike Ficher will try to ensure rules for various youth and rec leagues are available
- ONLINE AVAILABILITY – assignors need availability – if you need help with OSC speak with Pat – assigning October now

Treasurer's Report (Johnson):

- Hand out Checks
- On checks: association fees (8% for mentors, assessors, assignors and Gregory Scott Rivers) and dues (\$35 one time fee) are withheld

Feedback from **Mentors** on things that have looked good, or need improvement (**Erickson & Pat Evoy**):

- WHISTLES – must be heard all over field – can still use tone differences, but it must be audible -
- Signals need to be distinct, crisp, directional as the situation requires (horizontal, vertical or 45 degree angles, locked elbows)
- Hustle is pretty good – run with purpose – centers need to go deep enough and wide enough – try to keep play between yourself and AR
- Make sure ref uniforms are neat and presentable when you walk on field – good posture, shirts tucked in . . .
- Be careful as to how much jewelry you wear – professional image is important
- Football goalposts are always out of bounds –
- Injuries are unlimited substitutions
- On duals, both referees need to be alert for subs
- Mentoring: when being mentored, try to use one or two of the recommendations if it makes sense to you – officiating is as much art as science. The “art” of officiating is constantly evolving and, frankly, we are each part of the evolution – just maintain consistency – also, if you can share rides to game with mentor/assessor it is very helpful for conversation

Old/New Business or items for discussion from the group?

Sportsmanship Award ... athletes to keep an eye on

- #2 Nicky Blum Sisters boys varsity
- Maddy Booster Mountain View girls if she is a senior
- Concerns regarding duals on anything above JV2 on Summit football field because it is so fast on turf – try to find out whether there are duals assigned to Summit stadium and consider 3 person crew
- Butch Roberts – Indoor Soccer Center/Cascade Indoor Sports – needs indoor officials for winter months – phone [541 330 1183](tel:5413301183) – email butch@cascadeindoorsports.com

Training: Mehdi Salari (Referee Mechanics)

USSF Guide to Procedures 2008 is main reference, but many resources online

- whistle: when attention is needed – length/force/tone help define need
- good eye contact
- signal with straight arm – vertical, horizontal, 45 degrees, locked elbow
- pregame protocol – very important to be thorough – will not reproduce model pregame in minutes, but please refer to model pre-games
- game mechanics – general positioning for Center and AR in various situations
- flag mechanics
- signals
- Center and AR communication

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