

**COSOA Board of Directors Meeting  
Wednesday, July 22, 2015 @ 5:30 p.m.  
SCMC Bend Conference Room D**

**Attendees:** Steve Kurzer, Pat Evoy, Leslie Evoy, Mardy Madison, Scottie Johnson, Mehdi Salari

**Agenda**

1. **Welcome.**
2. **“Non High School related” updates and comments.**
  - a. **USSF entry level referee class notice and info** – venue has been changed
  - b. **Bend Premier Cup** – COSOA partnering with ORC to help pay for Mentoring \$350
  - c. **Men’s League** – 2<sup>nd</sup> half of season starts July 26<sup>th</sup> with 7 teams slated to play. Importance of Men’s League games in terms of being assessable and helpful in local Referees USSF Upgrade noted.
  - d. **Mentoring referees in leagues other than high school** – ORC restructuring & funding may be an issue in the future, which may shift more of the costs to local associations
  - e. **Local Timbers update** – Mike Armstrong nominated to serve as our Youth Liaison, since he’s currently serving on the FC Bend Timbers Board of Directors
  - f. **Other topics?** – 1) OPL: no longer a league, OYSA & TTPL are still competing. 2) BURSL: Hires Referees age 15 & above. 3) Kidsport: working to ensure same pay for Referees. 4) COSL: Spring league which would use USSF Grade 9 Referees for smaller sided games
3. **Treasurer's report, if available** – Scottie agreed to serve as Treasurer again & was endorsed by the Board. Current checking account balance of \$4,646 was reported. Pat reported the CASA Summer/Spring season income of \$5,188.50 minus COSOA Expenses of \$5,101.50 = which ended with an \$87 profit that was applied to the General Fund.
4. **Commissioner’s Report**
  - a. **OAA registration, testing** – emails have been going out to remind folks to get registered. Currently at around 7 or 8 folks registered, and we need to get that number up above 35.
  - b. **Mileage budget and reimbursement** – remains at 20 cents per mile & \$5 for local games
  - c. **Oregon Soccer Central utilization, direct deposit for payroll, 1099s, etc.** – OSC utilization was successful last season. Contracted to run three (3) payrolls this coming season at the end of Sep., Oct. & Nov. OSC has helped lighten load on Treasurer and costs have been reasonable and comparable to previous years.
  - d. **Mentoring** – Pat Evoy & Keith Erickson served our Association as mentors last season.
  - e. **Other topics?** – A few new ADs at local High Schools affecting the release of the High School schedule still. Leslie will be billing schools in advance as she has in previous years with a 2% increase over last season’s costs. Schools are anticipated to help scheduling by stacking games when possible.
5. **New Business**
  - c. **Sending out membership notices (meeting reminders, etc.)** – Summit HS Jamboree moved to Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>. Association Officers to help mentor & guide new recruits and Referees.
  - d. **Training/continuing education topics and presenters for season (rule changes/points of emphasis, ethics/OCEP, intermediate training for playoff eligibility, etc.)** – Relevance & quality of our Association’s Training Topics and Presentations was noted & appreciated by those who attended the Big Training Weekend.
  - e. **Recruiting new officials** – Remains our biggest challenge as an Association. Have a note in The Bulletin Community Sports Calendar & a Craigslist ad. To ask Mike Armstrong to see if he can recruit some parents from the FC Bend Timbers community. Mehdi to put up flyers at COCC Bulletin Boards to help attract College Students to serve as Referees.
6. **Confirm action plans, including next meeting time and date** – will schedule if needed
7. **Adjourn** – around 7:05 p.m.