

COSOA General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday September 27, 2017 7pm
St Charles Med. Ctr., Heart Center Conf Rm

Welcome.

In attendance: Mehdi Salari, Steve Kurzer, Nathaniel Collins, Mike Paul, Pat Evoy, Jeff Sloan, Mike Prochaska, Mike Armstrong, Alberto DeAnda, John Young, Christine Johnson, Marko Alexander, Mike Sipila, Shyanna Ashworth, Leona Steel, Derek Pacheco, Cesario Alonso, Ramon Castaneda, Del Abbott, Neil Carlson

- 1) "Non-High School Related" updates and comments.
 - a) No business or discussion items.

- 2) Treasurer's Report:
 - a) First pay date is upcoming, Friday 9/29, and filter date is already available on OSC website;
 - b) Membership annual dues fee deduction (\$35) will be deferred to the next pay period, due to the high amount of canceled games in early season due to poor air quality caused by forest fire smoke.

- 3) Commissioner's Report:
 - a) 90% turn-out tonight. Thank you all.
 - b) Please fill out game reports within a day. Note a field condition topics, red cards, etc..
 - c) Please don't get hurt – take care of yourselves and bodies, especially with the workload that everyone is doing.
 - d) Reminder to read through high school bulletin email #4 that came out recently.

- 4) Old Business:
 - a) No comments or updates on Old Business from previous meeting.

- 5) New Business:
 - a) Always looking for more officials, and extended invitation to all for involvement in the COSOA board;
 - b) Please submit ideas or game situations for upcoming training topics;
 - c) Reminder to be on the lookout for Gregory Scott Rivers Award candidates.

- 6) Training Topics:
 - a) Charging, Obstruction, Impeding Progress – Know The Difference
 - b) Charging:
 - i) There are differences between FIFA/IFAB laws and High School rules, with respect to the definition of what is a 'Charge', and what is allowable contact and allowable fair charge and what is not;
 - (1) USSF/FIFA/IFAB – if any foul involves contact, restart is DFK
 - (2) NFHS – charges 'off the ball', restart is IFK
 - ii) Charges that are dangerous, reckless, excessive force, or involving violent conduct of SFP, need to be called a sanctioned appropriately
 - iii) Video clip examples reviewed
 - c) Impeding the Progress of an Opponent vs. Obstruction:
 - i) Allowed if play is within playing distance (i.e. shielding);

- ii) What is 'playing distance'?: referee's judgment of player's ability to play the ball, although NFHS says 'not to exceed 2 steps (six feet)';
- iii) Currently, in FIFA/LOTG, there is Impeding the Progress w/o Contact (formerly 'Obstruction') and there is Impeding the Progress w/ Contact;
- iv) NFHS currently 'still' has an Obstruction rule – page 55-56, rule 12 (penalty: IFK)
- v) Video clip examples reviewed

7) Confirm action plans, including next meeting time and date (10/11/17, 7pm).

8) Executive Session: discussed referee professionalism and performance, developed near-term action plan.

9) Adjourn.