NKSOA Inc. Board Meeting April 13, 2003 Thomas More College

Larry Brown called the meeting to order 7:02 p.m.

Attending: Bill Sebree, John Dietz, Rex Culp, Larry Brown, Rick Flesch, Tim Prieshoff, Phil Rolf, Matt Winkler.

MW made a motion to accept the minutes from 2-23-03, TP seconded. Motion passed unanimously. LB said board needed to go over minutes from February 9th at next meeting for possible corrections.

BUDGET

- 1. TP presented treasurer's report. Expenditures include the web site software, flipping coins, nine assessments, 4th officials, and assigning secretary expenses. RF motioned to accept the report, BS seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. TP said he has to file an annual report with the Kentucky Secretary of State. TP asked board members to make sure their addresses were correct. It is due by June 30th. TP said there is a four dollar filing fee.
- 3. TP said his e-mail address and office phone numbers will be changing because a change in job status. He will send the information to PR and JD.
- 4. LB asked treasurer to walk the board through future revenue and expenditure expectations. President said officials may get a raise, but not to expect it this year. Assuming approximately 55 referees returning and paying \$41 dues. New referees pay \$27. There are about a dozen new referees so far. TP said he foresees no problems.
- 5. PR said there is a one-time \$75 cost to generate e-mails to JD for referee availability's. Fee for web site domain renewal seen as the biggest cost.
- a. LB asked JD to resend note to referees to indicate their thoughts about the availability sheet on the web site to see what kind of response is being generated.
 - b. LB said the information is needed, but not urgent.

6. Assessments

- a. LB said he will talk to Bob Zeis about heading up an assessment committee to work with JD. Board will have to decide who and when.
- b. With respect to how much to pay the assessors, MW suggested it should be a game fee if referees request an assessment outside of the normally scheduled assessments asked for by the board or assigning secretary. TP agreed. Otherwise, the usual fee that has been paid to assessors would apply.
- c. TP suggested to LB that he talk to 9th Region Board about the possibility that assessors should not be charged for admission to matches if that problem arises.
- d. Board discussed the assessor's duties, and who would be assessed at a given match. JD said if assessor is paid to assess the middle referee, he or she cannot worry about the assistants because assistant referees are assessed differently.
- e. LB said that he wants 45 assessments this year. TP said the association is right now in position to be able to pay that expense without a problem.
- f. Board members discussed some of the problems encountered last season in getting assessments done. LB mentioned scheduling conflicts and last minute changes on who was working in the middle at a particular match. LB said JD and Bob Zeis will have to work together to avoid similar problems in the future. LB said he wants the emphasis on new referees. JD said he wants to meet with Bob Zeis in July to organize. He also wants availability sheets back in July.
- g. PR asked LB why the NKSOA paid 4th officials. He explained that schools are not required by the KHSAA to pay 4th officials, and that assigning 4th officials to playoff games gives other referees an opportunity to experience the atmosphere of that level of competition. TP said the NKSOA sent 4th officials to every game it could.
- h. JD asked about how many flipping coins were left. TP said \$42 paid for the coins far. They are about \$2 a piece. LB asked about the cloth association patches because new officials will need them. RF counted them. There are 18 left. LB said more will need to be ordered so that each new official can receive two patches. He will ask Past President Tim Cline if he has any more.

Assigning Secretary's Report

- 1. JD said Roland Williams is the new "sheriff on the block." He told board that officials must be on time to the mandatory rules meeting because he is very prompt. The meeting is August 7th at St. Henry High School.
- 2. JD asked for guidance from the board on what to put in his general mailing. The board suggested: Rules clinic notification, availability sheet, field directions, referee's list, Soccerama information (Boys is Aug 9th, not sure where; Girls is Aug 16th at Calvary Christian HS), dues notice, registration reminder.
- 3. JD suggested looking in Campbell County soccer organizations for new soccer referee candidates.

4. Reminded everyone to go to the web site to find information.

- 5. Said we should encourage all officials to take the Part II Exam. 75% grade on that, a fitness test, and Assignor's decision basis for post season assignments.
 - 6. JD will be gone 2nd, 3rd, 4th weeks in June.
- 7. LB asked if it would be feasible to get the yearly official's clinic to Northern Kentucky in the near future. JD said KHSAA loses money on the clinic every year.
- 8. LB suggested starting a separate camp for new officials and asked JD to pursue the idea with the state. TP said NKSOA had several members who came to the organization without ever having been involved in soccer. LB asked JD to consider what it would take to make it happen. Said it has to be close if it's going to work. JD said southern areas like Maysville, Mason Co., Owen, and St. Pat's would be good places to start.
- 9. MW & LB to meet with coaches to set up a meeting. They're looking for feedback. JD said rating referees was the original design for feedback forms. Extra stuff was just supposed to be extra. LB will report back to the board, but how the board will use the feedback remains to be seen. TP said it's a fact that some referees and coaches have conflicts, but there's already a system in place to deal with them.

New Business: None

TP made motion to adjourn, MW seconded. Meeting closed at 8:35 p.m.