

NKSOA Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2005.

Meeting called to order by President Larry Brown @ 6:15pm.

Larry apologized for late start as we had to wait for the completion of USSF clinic in the Science Hall.

Per agenda, first item of business is disbursement of minutes, followed by little discussion, motion to approve by Bill Sebree, second by T Prieshoff, approved unanimously.

Second item was Treasurer report by Tim Prieshoff, distributed printed report and Tim discussed revenues and expenses, motion to approve by Matt Winkler, seconded by Bill Sebree, approved unanimously.

Third item, President's report. Larry Brown referred to email report emailed to membership prior to meeting. Larry talked about past year's success of keeping dues the same, assigning secretary expenses are lower yet again, software and web site improvements for all referees and hopes to facilitate future recruiting goals, and fewer scheduling changes. Coaches comments regarding professionalism and consistency had a wide range of opinions from those in attendance. The biggest problem was defining the two terms. Possible clinic topic, also the need to attend clinics by all membership, and discuss further with coaches in May.

Fourth item: Web site improvements discussed by Phil Rolfe. At the boards direction, Phil is making the site both NKSOA and USSF friendly. Dick Marable, Larry Brown and Phil have examined other sites and uses to determine what we can do on it. Other NKSOA improvements are individual schedules online, availability sheets and the opportunity to make changes,

Suggestion from membership included: team colors, interactive with other referees via email and telephone, driving directions and special parking at school sites if available.

Certain information must be restricted by access to unique referee number and pin number.

Fifth item: Assigning Secretary Report by John Dietz. John handed out and discussed total games assigned, discussed rule changes for 2005 season, State Soccer camp is in Oldham County June 17-18. Little discussion occurred.

President Larry Brown presented recognition and appreciation awards to John Dietz and Phil Rolfe for their efforts last season and throughout the year to assist NKSOA members.

Request for New Business from the floor.

Keith Hill asked about assigning games and the reference to easy, medium and hard games. John Dietz explained his current method. The use of and determining who gets assessed was discussed.. Coaches comments are also used. Numerous members discussed and expressed opinion, but no conclusions reached. Discussion of need for more assignors and a retired referee or someone interested in soccer to coordinate assessment program.

Keith Hill suggested that NKSOA adopt a charity. To discuss with soccer Rama site to donate referee fees (we do not get paid currently) or a portion of those fees to our charity. Larry Brown suggested the Scott Christian Foundation and would contact Gary Christian. Other possible charities suggested. Further discussion included that we already donate our time as a means of support to high school soccer. That as

individuals we can donate our game fee to any charity of our choosing. Also that asking the site to donate the money currently not an expense may give the wrong impression to the high schools, coaches and fans. Keith Hill clarified his comments to mean that NKSOA find a charity that as individuals we could possibly get Soccer Rama and individual referees during the season to donate. The next board will discuss and further pursue if desired.

Final item: Election. Floor nomination were asked for by President Larry Brown. None were forthcoming. The election committee, Bill Sebree, Rick Flesch and Marc Litzler, passed out ballots and voting began. Ballots collected and the committee retired in private to tally the results. Total election time 20 minutes.

The results of the election:

Larry Brown President

Matt Winkler V President

Tim Prieshoff Treasurer

Rick Flesch Secretary

Orest Melnyk At Large

Mark Baker At Large.

President Larry Brown thanked everyone for being present to vote. He express appreciation, on behalf of the NKSOA board and it's membership to Rex Culp, Roberta Stitt and Bill Sebree for their past services as board members and asked for and received a round of applause.

A motion to adjourn was made by Pete Rademaker, seconded by Michael Dietz.

Adjourned 7:38pm.