

NKSOA GENERAL MEETING

March 11, 2007

Board members in attendance:

Larry Brown
Orest Melnyk
Tim Prieshoff
Bill Sebree
Matt Winkler
Rick Flesch

Members in attendance:

Sign in sheet circulated throughout room

Guests in attendance:

John Dietz
Phil Rolf

President called meeting to order at 7:02.

Secretary's report:

Minutes of November 14, 2006 board meeting, were distributed to board members, and reviewed.

There being no corrections/amendments, motion to accept was made by Orest M., seconded by Bill S.

Motion approved.

Treasurer's report:

In total, 73 members paid dues to NKSOA in 2006.

Total expenditures for 2006 were \$3731.51.

Balance @ 12/31/06 is \$3655.53 (\$77.14 in checking; \$3578.39 in savings).

Budget discussion included:

Fourth official fees/arrangements. It was suggested that we try not to have

the fourth position as the only assignment for a member, particularly when extensive travel is involved. Keith Hills noted, that he would like to have the board and assignor consider alternatives to the current practice, and maybe have

the fourth official fee be commensurate with an AR's fee when the assignment requires substantial travel and time.

John Dietz will also check with other assigning secretaries so as not to have multiple fourths on site for the same game.

There being no additional discussion, motion to accept was made by Rick F., seconded by Matt W.

Motion approved.

Assigning Secretary's report:

John presented an overview of the 2006 year, and reported that his records indicated 74 officials paid dues in 2006, with 72 members having received assignments.

There were a total of 38 red cards issues. One official had 6 of them.

A pay increase, as proposed by NKSOA president, was discussed. The proposal suggested an increase of \$5.00 per official, per game, in the Northern Kentucky region.

John will follow up with the regional policy board.

The 2007 state camp will be offered on July 13-14, in Madisonville.

The new KHSAA Assistant Commissioner for soccer is Deron Billberry.

President's report:

Larry reported that NKSOA officials are on the higher end of the pay scale as compared to other KY state organizations.

The KY state camp has a new director, Ronnie Cowans.

NKSOA ranking system has been implemented, and continues to be refined.

The IT committee continues to make use of software developments and make website improvements.

New Business:

Fourth official fees, particoarly for subsectional and sectional game assignments were discussed. Motion made by Orest M. to pay fourth official the following amounts: for district matches, \$10.00 per game; for regional matches, \$15.00 per game; for subsectional matches, \$20.00 per game; and for sectional matches held within our area, \$25.00 per game; for sectional matches held outside of the NKSOA area, pay would be the same as the other two ARs assigned. Seconded by Tim P.

Discussion followed, in which estimated additional income of \$350.00 per year from possible increase of association dues might becvsome available to offset this increased expense. Additional thoughts were whether this motion should be tabled until the new board was elected and could consider the possible dues increase. Membership agreed to vote on motion made.

In favor: 24; Opposed: 1. Motion approved.

Greg Millar asked if high school coaches attend a clinic before the season, and perhaps have several referees conduct a clinic for the coaches, and have some coaches reciprocate and conduct clinics for referees. Discussion included remarks that not all coaches were interested in learning the rules of the game, and would only use the clinic as an opportunity to “go off” on referees. It was also noted that coaches have access to referee/game assessments and feedback forms.

Website/IT report:

Phil Rolf reported that members are now able to log in using PIN, name, and referee number. The website is secure, and members who use it will not that a box will appear that shows that asks if you wish to visit the secure area. Members should respond “yes.”

Election:

Matt Winkler read the ballot of current nominees, which is a listing of the current sitting board. A call for additional nominations from the floor was made, but none were forthcoming.

Motion was made by Keith H. to accept ballot as offered, marking 1 vote per delegate; motion seconded by Tim P.

Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25.

Minutes recorded and submitted by:
Rick Flesch