

NKSOA Board Meeting

January 27, 2008

At Town & Country Sports Complex

Board Members in Attendance:

Larry Brown, Keith Hill, Tim Prieshoff,
Mark Baker, Rick Flesch

Other NKSOA Members in Attendance:

John Metz

President called meeting to order at 5:09.

Treasurer's report:

Copy of the December 2007 report were distributed and reviewed. Increased expenses for fourth official assignments and a full year of webmaster fees were remarked on in relation to previous years' expenditures. Ending balance of \$3,011.03 noted.

Motion to accept report was made by Keith H., seconded by Mark B.

Motion approved.

Secretary's report:

Minutes of the December 9, 2007 General Meeting were distributed and reviewed. Keith Hill noted the correct spelling of his last name. There being no other corrections or amendments, motion to accept was made by Tim P. and seconded by Keith H.

Motion approved.

NKSOA summer clinics:

Keith Hill will serve as clinic coordinator, and determine locations, topics, dates, and presenters. He noted that locations may become less available as at least one school district has requested proof of liability insurance from NKSOA before allowing space for use. Keith suspects other districts will follow suit.

Marc Litzler will serve as the new referee clinic coordinator.

John Metz suggested an introduction to assessment and working with coaches as clinic topics.

Keith Hill suggested positioning, perhaps focusing on five different set plays/circumstances as a topic.

Assigning Secretary Discussion:

Larry B. reminded members that John Dietz's resignation was effective 1 ½ months ago. Ron Madrick and the Ninth Region Policy Board has no time table to find a replacement. They are responsible for placing an ad and conducting interviews, but will likely include a member of the NKSOA board to participate. It was noted that the final decision will be made by KHSAA. He added that John Dietz has agreed to create a binder explaining how to use the NKSOA assigning software (although the new A.S. may choose to use the state's Arbiter system). He further remarked that additional expenses for the new A.S. may be higher next year and in the future, citing one example as John having been able to use his own work supplied cell phone.

Several interested individuals have stepped forward that would like to apply for the vacancy. These include a local basketball assigner known by Pete Rademacher; Bob Nieves, known by Keith Hill from his involvement in Campbell County soccer programs; and Larry Brown, current President of NKSOA.

Discussion took place in regard to the latter, as Larry would need to resign his presidency, Keith would assume the president position, and another member would likely be needed to be appointed to fill the vice president position. Keith will notify the Ninth Region Policy Board of his availability to participate in interviews for the Assigning Secretary position.

Issues of concern for the assigning secretary are the number of games per school as allowed by KHSAA. It is anticipated that the number will increase to more than 1000 in our region for the coming season. The number of game assignments changed this past year, mostly made by referees and not the schools, is also a cause of concern.

Availability sheets and updates will be posted on the website.

New Business:

John Metz shared a mission statement for a Peer Review/Assessment Program. He suggested the board take an active role in helping its members strive to become the best officials that they can be, and the use of a strong mentoring and assessment program can be invaluable.

There being no additional items of business, meeting was adjourned at 6:41.

Minutes recorded and submitted by:

Rick Flesch