

NKSOA Board Meeting

May 13, 2009

At Covington Catholic High School

Board Members in Attendance:

Keith Hill, Mark Baker, Tim Prieshoff
Rick Flesch, Marc Litzler, Kevin Ball

President called meeting to order at 7:03.

Recent passing of Greg Millar, long time referee in Northern Kentucky, noted. NKSOA made donation of \$50.00 to Special Olympics in his memory.

Secretary Report:

Motion made by T. Prieshoff to accept minutes of the February 18, 2009, annual meeting (distributed via email earlier); motion seconded by M. Litzler.
Motion approved.

Treasurer Report:

Current checking balance of \$22.37 and savings balance of \$3,696.85; totaling \$3,719.22.
Motion to accept treasurer report made by M. Litzler, seconded by M. Baker.
Motion approved.

Assigning Secretary Report:

Larry Brown noted assigning secretary meeting scheduled for tomorrow. Anticipates the state camp will be conducted at the Bluegrass State Games this year.
Mentioned the Scott Christian golf outing coming up.

Referee availability sign ups are currently underway on the Arbiter. All such sign ups need to be completed by June 1st, with confirmation emailed to Larry of readiness to be assigned.

All star game is scheduled for June 8th at Dixie High School. Boy's game to begin at 6:00, followed by a girl's game, if scheduled. Volunteers to work the game solicited. Marc Litzler, Orest Melnyk, Ja Osterhage, and Rick Flesch so volunteered. In lieu of ref fees, a donation to Scott Christian Foundation is recommended.

Boys Soccerama will take place at Ryle High School, on August 7th and 8th. Girls is scheduled for August 15. Location yet to be determined.

There have been some coaching changes/replacements in Northern Kentucky schools this year, with several more vacancies to be filled by season's start.

A new 7v7 high school boy's league will be tried this summer at Ryle High School. Marc Litzler will coordinate referee assignments for such.

Website report and news:

Larry had hoped that regional youth soccer clubs would join with NKSOA website with enhanced, easier connection to USSF, but clubs have not chosen to do so. The use of the NKSOA peer review format still being explored to export to Arbiter. NKSOA members will do peer reviews on Arbiter until told otherwise. Each referee will also continue to rate/evaluate all other members of a crew for each match.

The cost to maintain the NKSOA website is @ \$10.00 per month, or \$120.00 per year. Members unanimously in favor of continuing with NKSOA site.

Old Business:

This year's clinics will be offered at Covington Catholic and Brossart High School. Possible topics and presenters are still being solicited. Already identified are Special Circumstances by Rick Flesch, and Referee Fitness, Training, and Hydration. John Metz has agreed to conduct a clinic if needed.

The new referee clinic will be conducted by Marc Litzler and Orest Melnyk. Location and date have yet to be confirmed.

Question raised in regard to what we as an organization need to do with referees who have been corrected, but don't change. It was suggested that Assigning Secretary and Coordinator of Assessment discuss such scenarios and develop course of action, with board consent.

New Business:

John Dietz has agreed to serve as the coordinator of the assessor/mentoring program for NKSOA.

Dave Dickerson is willing to serve as Past President.

Mark Baker was congratulated for having been selected as the KHSAA Referee of the Year.

There being no additional business before the membership, meeting was adjourned at 8:23.

Minutes recorded and submitted by:

Rick Flesch