

Ohio North State Referee Committee  
Minutes of Meeting  
January 11, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by SRA Tom Chapman.

Present were Bob Hobart, Tom Lewis, Dave Habib, Bill Nest, Blaz Pesorda, Kevin Powell, Matt Livingston, Regina VanVarous, Barry Brooks, Toth, Chapman, Mike Popora, John Gykenyesi, Terry Campbell, John Wargo, and Ohio North President Ted Williams.

Kallman Toth provided the treasurer's report was received.

Bill Nest provided an update on instruction:

- New clinics are being run, the total number of clinics and anticipated income are tracking last year. Have received approximately \$4500 already
- An Instructor clinic was held in December. All present passed and are available for use by ASDIs. All of the participants did well, and a couple did extremely well. ASDIs know who they are.
- We have registered 2 more instructors than in previous year. That represents a loss of 5, because it includes the 7 new ones.
- Lakewood will be holding a recreational referee course, followed by a Bridge Course. Propose to charge \$10 for the Recreational class and then \$10 for the Bridge course.
- Discussion about age limits. Some communities that run soccer through their Recreation Departments won't pay referees who are under the age 14 due to child labor laws.
- Please notify John Wargo about upcoming clinics, so that he may post them on the SRC website.

Blaz Pesorda provided an update on assignment:

- We had 32 assignors last year, this year only 27
- We are planning to have an assignor's clinic in February. Will coordinate the actual date with Bill Nest. Likely to be held at Tri-C West.

Terry Campbell provided an update on assessment:

- We have registered 2 National Assessors, 12 State Assessors, 5 Referee Assessors, and 3 Recreational Referee Assessors

John Wargo provided an update on computer and technology issues:

- New computers were distributed to instructors and others
- You need to configure yourself for internet access to get your e-mail

Regina Van Varous led a discussion regarding the SRC e-mail and computer use policies. It was determined that the SRC will explore the cost of keeping e-mail preserved at the server level, and also on-line backup services. A further discussion ensued regarding establishing e-mail accounts for ASRAs and others. John Wargo will report back at the March meeting about a proposed naming convention for the accounts.

Barry Brooks provided an update on Youth Referee Issues.

- Young Referee of the Year - have only received 3 male and 1 female nominations. Please get any additional nominations to Barry by next week.
- With regard to State Cup, a discussion ensued about whether we are going to send assessors again. It was determined that we should do so. We will offer rooms and mileage again. By the March meeting, a plan will be in place for the assessments.
- The OYSAN Workshop will be held on March 18 & 19. A referee workshop will be held concurrently. There is an entrance fee of \$10 for the workshop. Barry Brooks moved, Mike Popora seconded motion to allow Tom Chapman to negotiate with OYSAN regarding fee issues/room rental. Motion passed unanimously.
- Barry Brooks and Tom Chapman will be attending the US Youth Soccer Association Workshops in February.

Bill Nest is to prepare an Intermediate level clinic. Then, we will work toward having an Advanced Level clinic in August in conjunction with State Referee re-registration.

Tom Chapman provided an update on a variety of issues.

- US Youth Soccer Association workshops in February.
- Also attending the USSF Annual General Meeting in Florida on March 10-13 as an alternative.
- The latest issue of Fair Play has been distributed by USSF. John Wargo has posted it to the SRC website.
- Please try to get the rest of the registration forms done by the March meeting.
- We will be attempting to implement a tracking form for State Referee recertifications.
- John Wargo is creating a SRC letterhead.
- Amateur Regionals will be held in Lodi this summer. Nationals and higher level State Referees need to be available, along with National Assessors. June 17 & 19.

John Gykenyesi then discussed Adult Regionals. He also indicated that the Indoor Super League has started at Northfield.

Ted Williams had nothing to report on behalf of OYSAN.

A discussion ensued about our purchasing D&O insurance. Darrell will explore with USSF about whether there is coverage already.

Next meeting is March 8 at 7:00

Meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.