

NASOA Membership Meeting 15 January 20118

President

Cedric Thomas opened the meeting at 6:00 PM at the First Christian Church, Huntsville. 22 members were present. The minutes for the 8 January 2018 meeting were approved.

Vice President

Tim Barron cited the high school Assigner, Andy Dye. All members are to know Andy's contact information: Cell: 256-230-5425 Email: andydye2@gmail.com. Tim went onto encourage members to prepare for the high school season:

First SET BLOCKS in Arbiter through 31 March. No excuse for "I forgot to set blocks."

Next: Wear proper high school uniform! Contact Klaus Staefe Cell: 256-289-1527 or 202-420-8113 Email: kstaefe@hotmail.com for the high school 3 striped socks and shorts. No USSF logos permitted. Suggest buying both the LS and SS fuchsia jerseys. Do not wear any covering over the jersey- buy a size larger to permit layering of undergarments in cold weather. Black leggings are OK but do not tuck into socks! Black gloves and caps are OK. The B&W striped jerseys are available at Winning Edge on South Parkway but have only been worn for sub state and final four matches.

Next: Take the high school test. If you fail on first try, contact a board member for help before retaking test. Try to take the test in one session.

Next: Attend District Camp on Saturday, 27 January at Athens High School 8:30 to 1:00. Confirm attendance with Richard Robinson and bring \$30 check.

Next: Attend Jamboree on Saturday, 3 February at Jack Allen Complex, Decatur from 8:00 to 3:00.

Tim then reviewed changes to high school rules:

The KO can be taken in any direction.

If kicker makes second touch, then IFK.

Run up to a PK- stutter step or hesitation move with continuous motion is OK. If kicker stops in run up, punish- if missed the goal- punish with GK. If makes goal, punish with restart. If player runs up and does not kick the ball, the caution kicker and retake PK with another player.

If visible apparel under jersey/shorts, must be single solid color matching the predominant color of jersey/shorts.

Compression arm sleeves must be similar length, all alike and of solid color matching color of jersey. Visible leg compression sleeves must be similar length, all alike and of solid color matching color of shorts. Soft padded headband/headgear is OK. GK can wear soft billed cap.

Member

Ken Brown suggested NASOA offer to check high school fields for compliance with rules: Goals anchored properly, field markings, etc.

President

Cedric requested help from membership is setting up details to hold State Camp in area for 2019.

High School Assigner

Andy Dye described the general schedule for the 3 February Jamboree:

8:00 to 8:30 Referee Check in
8:30 to 9:00 First set of 30 minute games
9:30 to 10:00 First critiques
10:00 to 10:30 Second set of 30 minute games
Etc.

President

Cedric Thomas reported on lessons learned at the USSF Advanced Clinic held in Montgomery 13-14 January. He displayed the "FIFA Consideration List" as a valuable tool for all referees.

Cedric then conducted video training for Handling at high level matches.

Focus on:
Natural/unnatural position of arms
Hands on body/additional move
Deliberate Action
Taking Risk/making body bigger
Opinion, Decision, Confirmation

At high school level, factor in skill level of each team/player

Take in the BIG PICTURE of the action in question.

Don't bail the player out- intent does not obviate a foul.

Did the player do it?

If player leaves feet and is not in control on the ground and arm/hand is "in body" no handling. If outside body frame- call handling.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.