

NCGSOA
General Membership Meeting
9/6/2016, 8:00 PM
Island Trees HS

Bill Busch called the meeting to order at 8:00

- BOCES
 - Keep availability up to date
 - Close out zones you DO NOT want to work in
- Be appreciative of your appearance on the field
 - Both officials should have the same style (color/length) shirts
 - Hats (optional) MUST be solid black only
 - Black socks with three white stripes
- Pat Sullivan asked for a moment of silence for Fred Holle
 - Pat has Fred's uniform for anyone who needs a uniform
- Bill introduced the members of the Board
- Attendance
 - Sign-in after meeting
- Pre-game conference
 - Read sportsmanship card at captain's meeting
 - Have both coaches VERBALLY assure all players are legally and properly equipped
- Tests grades due back to David Poli (poli@optonline.net) by 9/13
- Nominations (Joe Pellechi) – at next meeting 9/14
 - Secretary/Treasurer
 - Member-at-Large (one position open)
- Joe introduced the new varsity members
 - Coz DeLillo – Transferee from NC Boys
 - Ken Heller – Transferee from NC Boys
 - Mario Espinosa
 - Bryan Jones
 - Anthony Okolski
- Joe introduced the new candidates
 - Matthew Battaglia - Inactive
 - Kenneth Clark
 - Robert Colalella
 - John Csikortos
 - Christopher Drechsel
 - Joseph Licata
 - Joseph Lynch
 - Jose-Luis Rodriquez
 - Ross Tenzer - Inactive
- Joe introduced the mentor/mentoree pairings
 - Dusty Buckley/Kenneth Clark
 - Jerry Cunningham/Robert Colalella

- Jim Graham/John Csikortos
- Gary Novello/Christopher Drechsel
- Joe Scarnato/Joseph Licata
- Bob Seroski/Joseph Lynch
- Pat Sullivan/Jose-Luis Rodriquez
- Interpretation
 - Better communication with coaches
 - Do not get into a conversation with assistant coaches, just head coaches
 - Don't let the argumentation on the field/bench get out of hand
 - Have the coach take care of "calming down" the situation, whether on the field or in the stands
 - If the coach cannot remedy the situation, CAUTION the coach
 - Make sure tape/velcro on socks MUST match, or be of similar color of socks
 - Cannot go across the shin guards
 - Must be either above or below but not across
 - Keeper's socks cannot match opponent's colored socks
 - Both teams can wear the same colored shorts
 - Make sure goals are anchored
 - Not anchored – no game
 - Free kicks
 - Delays on quick kicks
 - ANY PLAYER that infringes (moves towards) the kicker before the ball is kicked MUST be CAUTIONED – NO EXCEPTIONS
 - If player is moving backwards (away from kicker) or standing still (without lifting their leg to block the kick) is OK
 - Substitutions
 - On a cautioned field player, only the cautioned player can be substituted for
 - Any players at the table can also come in
 - Restarts after a substitution must restart with a whistle
 - Players must leave field on bench side only
 - Injuries
 - If clock is stopped, they must come out (inclusive of keeper)
 - Heat index
 - See web site
 - Keep a copy in your bag
 - Know what your responsibilities are
- Stipends approved
 - Chairperson: \$300
 - Secretary/Treasurer: \$650
 - Clinic: \$791
 - Run Test: \$100
 - Web Master: \$450
- Bill Busch has some private schools available for assigning
- OCC
 - Proposed contract has yet to be voted on

- Boys soccer is asking if any NCGSOA official would like to do a Boys lower level game
 - All boys dues fees would be waived for the first year
 - NCGSOA officials can sign-up with David
- Amendments
 - Proposed Amendment Change #1
 - VII – Procedures Page 7 D (Playoff Roster)
 - New – Add#3 & 4
 - 3. To be eligible to be chosen for playoffs a referee must have a two year varsity rating with NCGSOA. Referees must also do a minimum number of regular season games. The number of games is set every season by the E.D. of Boces. Ratings used for playoff assignments are based on the current year rating as per the OCC contract. (ex. No referee will be eligible for playoffs in their first full year as a varsity rated official in NCGSOA.)
 - 4. Any referee who is on probation is not eligible for playoffs.
 - Proposed Amendment Change #2
 - VII – Procedures Page 8 E (Transferees)
 - New – Add#3
 - 3. All transferees that transfer into NCGSOA on the varsity level must take and pass a NYSCOS physical fitness test given every year by NCGSOA before receiving a varsity schedule. If they do not pass the test they will be given a Junior varsity schedule.
 - Proposed Amendment Change #3
 - VII – Procedures Page 8 F (Movement up and down))
 - New – Add#4
 - 4. A referee that has been considered for movement up to varsity level must take and pass the NYSCOS physical fitness test that is given annually by NCGSOA before receiving a varsity schedule.
 - Proposed Amendment Change #4
 - VII – Procedures Page 8
 - New
 - Change I to letter J
 - Change H to letter I
 - Change G to letter H
 - Change G to NCGSOA Clinic
 - Change page 1 – Index for By-laws:
 - Page 8 – Add NCGSOA Clinic between Movement up and down in ratings and Mandates.
 - G – New – NCGSOA Clinic
 - All candidates for membership that take the NCGSOA clinic must adhere to the following guidelines before becoming a member.

- Pay the clinic fee set by the board to NCGSOA before the first class.
- Attend at least 6 of 7 clinic classes
- Pass the final exam with a minimum grade of 85%
- Once a member, all new members through the NCGSOA clinic must take and pass the NYSCOS physical fitness test given annually by NCGSOA.
- Show evidence of having all necessary equipment to referee soccer as deemed by the board.
- Pass an on field practical test while refereeing a soccer match
- Proposed Amendment Change #5
 - III – Membership A - Active - Page 2
 - New: Add under III – A – Active #4
 - 4. A dual member who is currently on probation or a member not in good standing status with another NYS certified soccer association will be bound by the same status with NCGSOA until such status is cleared with the other soccer association.
- Proposed Amendment Change #6
 - VII – Procedures Page 8 E (Transferees)
 - New – Add – Part I
 - 3. All transferees must have a letter, or email from their State Board stating that they are a member in good standing in the prior organization, their current level in that association that they are transferring from as well as reporting their Part 1 or Part 2 test score.
- All amendments were approved by the general membership
- Treasurer
 - Current balance - \$6,792.15
 - 2017 dues due by 11/1/2016
 - Checks made out to NCGSOA
 - \$50 – Active
 - \$25 – Inactive

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

Members absent:

Lisa Bell, Borodin, Caracciolo, Csikortos, Defalco, Drechsel, Holley, Labrys, Manning, Odermatt, Puglia

Next General Membership Meeting: **Wednesday, September 14th** – Nominations