

Minutes of the HSSOA Board Meeting on 12-2-08

The regular HSSOA board meeting was called to order Dec. 2, 2008, at 6:50 P.M. by the president. The secretary was present. All board members were present, except Tim Sonnier. Tim Sparks was present by teleconference.

The registrar gave his report. Tim Sparks will run a report of referees who haven't registered yet and distribute to the assignors to follow up and try to get them registered. Tim has registered 218 referees, so far. Tim will get a small room for registration at the general meeting on Dec. 10 at Bayland Center. We will also administer the TASO test at the meeting. Tim has requested more rule books and badges from TASO but does not know the status.

The treasurer gave her report. Shelly presented the proposed budget for 2008-2009. We will review and discuss at the next board meeting.

The vice president-scheduling gave his report. Magdy reported that one third to one half of the schools have not yet entered their schedules, depending on the district. Assignors have already started calling delinquent coaches.

Stephen King will make copies of the availability form for referees to update their information, especially any conflict schools. Stephen will draft an email regarding the availability form.

Houston Brown will present the two proposed amendments to the by-laws at the Dec. 10 meeting and voted on at the January, 2009 meeting as follows:

- Term limits: Article VI Section 4: Change Item 1 and 2 to read as follows:
 - 1) A member shall be elected to a two-year term as a member of the Board of Directors.
 - 2) A member of the Board of Directors may be elected to no more than three consecutive terms at any position, or serve a maximum of seven years as a member of the Board of Directors within a ten-year period.

Item 3 and 4 will be added as follows:

- 3) The ten-year period referenced in Item 2 shall be defined as beginning May 1st of the tenth year immediately prior to the present election.
 - 4) No member shall be eligible for nomination or election unless his or her entire two-year term will be in compliance with all existing By-Laws.
- Ethics: Add item 5 under Article VII Section 2 as follows:
 - 5) Neither the Vice-President Scheduling nor any chapter member shall assign or allow to be assigned to a non-chapter member any game assignment at a school that utilizes HSSOA as the source of its TASO soccer officials unless the board specifically and in advance authorizes same.

The president appointed a committee to update the Operating Procedures, which was last updated in 1984. Stephen Glasgow, Tim Sparks, and Magdy Kotb will work on this.

Stephen King moved to adjourn. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Gene Mitchell

Secretary

