

MISOA meeting

March 21, 2011

AIB Activities Center, 2500 Fleur Drive
Des Moines, IA 50321-1749

High School Training program

Rod Dougherty

On the ussoccer.com website, the "Week in review" section provides excellent online training.

2011 High School points of emphasis:

- Bench area 10 yards from field
- Concussion instruction and player safety
- Equipment enforcement
- Game time using scoreboard
- Punishable offenses

Business Meeting

Brian McCollum called the meeting to order at 8:18 pm.

February minutes approved.

Three new members were introduced.

Treasurer's Report: Richard Hudnut

\$2161.20 in checking account

\$333.005 in CD's

Richard and Jeff Birdsley are putting together an audit of our finances.

Committees:

Scholastic: Rod Dougherty

New members were introduced. The crew chiefs now have the HS games to be assigned.

The ADs approved the proposal of \$100 for a set of JV/V games. This contract is for two years (2012 and 2013). Some of the schools outside the Des Moines area will pay mileage.

A fitness test is planned for Sunday, April 3rd at Roosevelt High School 1pm start. Arrive at 12:45 to register. The HS boys union will not be issuing any patches for official uniforms in any sports. Rod is looking into getting a MISOA patch made for new officials.

Uniform colors are red, yellow, and black jerseys. Black shorts and pants. Black shoes.

Youth: Bonnie Larson

No report

Adult: Jeff Birdsley

No report

Collegiate: Jim Elmer

Discussed fitness test standards.

Assessments: Shane Smith

No report

High School Assigning: Lou Agocs

HS Field locations are available on the Arbiter system. The Varsity center official should contact your crew members at least 48 hours before the game times to arrange carpooling. Also contact the AD to confirm location and game times. Contact Lou if you have conflicts during the season i.e. injury or scheduling issues. Varsity boys games have game reports that need to be filed online with the Iowa Boys Union.

Ethics: Jim Hart

Arrival at game site should be at least 30 minutes prior to the game time.

The Ethics committee met Feb 21 to prepare a procedure for handling infractions. Jim presented the follow information for review regarding ethics violations:

Clarification of Reporting, Tracking and Sanctions:

1. Infractions and potential sanctions during season:
 - 1st infraction, warning
 - 2nd infraction, take away 2 game dates
 - 3rd infraction, suspension for two weeks pending further review and action from Ethics Committee
 - **Note:** For a major infraction the sanction may be escalated to a 2nd or 3rd infraction level.
2. Reporting by officials is to be directed to the assignor and crew chief.
3. Assignor or crew chief are to forward any actionable ethic violation matters to the Ethics Chairman.
4. Arrival Ethics Infraction defined as arriving less than 15 minutes before game time.

Appeal Process:

1. A \$50.00 appeal fee will be charged. If appeal is successful, the fee will be returned.
2. The sanction official has an opportunity to appeal to:
 - 1st appeal to MISOA Board
 - 2nd and final appeal to MISOA membership

Old Business:

The Iowa Referee Academy was a success. Greg Annexstad stated the central Iowa membership had the largest number of officials present for the meeting.

Phil Sinnwell stated that there was a problem with the “check the box” to upgrade on the USSF registration page. If you want to upgrade you must get in contact with Jim Albertson thru the IRC website.

The next meeting will be Wed, April 20.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43.

Attendance: 79

Minutes by Joe Hingl