

29 May 2019
NASOA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING V.2

President

Cedric Thomas opened the meeting at 6:01 PM. He announced the new State Referee Administrator, Jon Sowers effective 1 June 19 replacing Pat Miller who has done a super job for the past 5 years. Todd Owen made a motion to send Pat Miller an appropriate gift to recognize Pat's efforts. The motion passed to send Pat a \$100. Gift certificate.

Cedric cited a number of members who will support the USSF Regionals and President's Cup tournaments this summer.

Cedric announced the schedule for entry and recertification classes:

Entry Level at Merrimack Soccer Complex

3 August - 8 AM to 1 PM for the Huntsville Futball Club players

10 August - 9 AM to 2 PM for the Independence Futball Club

12 October - 9 AM to 2 PM for all others

Recertifications

20 July USSF Instructor Led Class in Montgomery

27 July NISOA (College Referees) in Montomery

7 September – 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM (Merrimack)

5 October – 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM (Merrimack)

9 November– 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM (Merrimack)

USSF SRA

Klaus Staefe announced the USSF Regional Clinic for Grade 6 referees and those aspiring to that Grade on 3 & 4 August in Memphis. Klaus also encouraged referees needing assessments for Regional Referee status to schedule their assessments early for two Center assessments and for one AR assessment. Klaus also reported that "Grass Roots" level referees will not receive incentive pay at tournaments. Only Regional Referees will receive incentive pay. Klaus reported frustration with some of our experienced referees blocking out the entire summer on their availability calendar. He and Cedric asked all referees to open up dates so important games can be assigned.

Treasurer

Kim Hensley reported that travel pay for high school games will be paid after the high school "refunds" process is completed. He had no HASL ref pay information.

President

Cedric again emphasized the importance of professionalism in refereeing soccer. He cited the incident at the State Final wherein a center referee “overslept” and was not at the game. Every aspect of refereeing is important: Being on time, proper uniform, smart pre-game meeting, etc.

Cedric then congratulated Daphne and Ken Brown for outstanding service to the Game for over 30 years. Both were most instrumental in selflessly improving the level of referee performance within NASO through mentoring, training and positive feedback. NASOA can not thank them enough.

Nominating Committee

Daphne Brown, Celeste Roberts and Mike Moran presented the candidates for election to NASOA’s Board:

President: Cedric Thomas, Tim Barron

Vice President: Michael Smid, Magdi Eltom, Tim Holt

Secretary: Doug Vechinski, Celeste Roberts

Treasurer: Kim Hensley, Mark Potter

USSF Representative: Klaus Staefe, Austin Holt

AHSAA Coordinator: Andy Dye

Members at Large:

Gene Uhl, Celeste Roberts, Walner Nelson,
Caleb Brown, Jackie Svehlak

Daphne explained that Board elections will be held at the next meeting, Wednesday, 5 June 2019 at 6 PM. Ballots will be taken in order listed above. Each position must be filled before moving to the voting for the next position. Additional candidates may be added up to the start of voting for each position.

Attendees:

David Barreto
Daphne Brown
Ken Brown
Allen Craven
Bill Der
Tyler Der(?)
Paul Galloway

Kim Hensley
Mohamed Mohamed
Claudiu Muntele
David Muntele
Douglas Vechinski
Klaus Staefe
Jackie Svehlak
Walner Nelson
Todd Owen
Celeste Roberts
Cedric Thomas

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Cedric closed the meeting at 6:40 PM.

From Daphne:

Correction to minutes, regional referees will require 2 center and 1 ar assessment per year. Please remove Jackie from secretary and place with member at large..and lastly, members can be nominated all the way to the vote for that position. Nominations do not cease at the start of voting for President.

From Celeste:

Hey Mike, please remove Sarah Gaddes as a nominee for member at large.

Change of plans. Thank you

From Daphne:

One last change, Austin Holt is running for USSF Representative, Klaus' position..
Daphne