

5 June 2019
NASOA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING V.1

President

Cedric Thomas opened the meeting at 6:00 PM. Minutes from the 29 May 2019 General Membership were approved. Cedric congratulated members for performing well over the past year in spite of fewer referees and increased game schedules. He cited the members who have been selected to support USSF Regional and President's Cup tournaments as well as those referees who will attend high level clinics and academies this summer. Cedric will coordinate with the Alabama State Games soccer tournament director to verify that the 2019-2019 FIFA/USSF Laws will apply this weekend.

He was adamant that NASOA must find additional assigners to ensure all games, especially Youth State Games , are fully covered and supported.

Treasurer

Kim Hensley reported that travel pay for high school games will be paid after the high school "refunds" process is completed. HASL pay will be paid shortly. Kim recommended members recover appropriate data (game counts, etc.) from their Arbiter accounts for USSF games since Arbiter for USSF games will no longer be used. High school referee assignments, however, will continue to be posted on Arbiter. Kim then moved that the general business meeting be adjourned to allow election of the new two year board of directors.

President

Kim's motion passed and Cedric opened the election proceedings by calling on the Nominating Committee (Daphne Brown, Celeste Roberts, and Mike Moran) to conduct the election starting with the office of President.

Nominating Committee

There were 28 participating voting members on the first ballot with one member abstaining. All subsequent ballots included all 29 members present voting. The Nominating Committee conducted the board election per NASOA's By-Laws and announced the following results:

President: Tim Barron

Vice President: Michael Smid

Secretary: Doug Vechinski

Treasurer: Kim Hensley

USSF Representative: Austin Holt

AHSAA Coordinator: Andy Dye

Members at Large:

Gene Uhl, Celeste Roberts,

Walner Nelson, Jackie Svehlak

Cedric congratulated the new Board of Directors and turned the proceedings over to Tim Barron, the new president.

President

Tim Barron pledged his full attention to continuing NASOA's improvements in professionalism, training, membership growth, and key management positions (Assigners, Assessors, Instructors). Tim will work closely with the new SRA, Jonathan Souer, to keep NASOA at the top of refereeing in Alabama.

Tim urged referees supporting the Alabama State Games to fully understand the tournament rules before taking the field. Tim urged members to download and retain for reference on the field, if needed, the new FIFA Laws of the Game for 2019-2020. He cited new laws regarding drop balls, cautions/ejection restart management, balls in play at goal kicks, etc.

Tim also reported there will be an assignors' clinic in Huntsville this summer. He will announce details when received from the state office.

Tim announced the new Board of Directors will meet soon to set goals and board members responsibilities.

Past President

Cedric reported the Biil Steely had a minor episode during his supporting the high school finals in early May. He is doing well and the membership sends its regards and prayers for his recovery.

The next meeting will be announced by the new Board and President.

President Tim Barron closed the meeting at 6:50 PM.

Attendees:

David Barreto

Tim Barron

Christian Boyer

Noah Brazelton

Daphne Brown

Ken Brown

Bill Der

Andy Dye

Darrell Harris

Kim Hensley

Tim Holt

Andrew Knedlik

Tyler Der

Mohamed Mohamed

Claudiu Muntele

Walner Nelson

Kim Khoon Ong

Joseph Patterson

Bill Pottratz

Celeste Roberts

Michael Smid

Robert Sullivan

Cedric Thomas

Gene Uhl

Hannah Smid

Chris Wiehe

Austin Holt

Jacjie Svehlak

Mike Moran

Daphne's Comments:

Jonathan Sauer is the new SRA.

Abstention was only on one vote, so remove that, there were 28 at the start of voting, 29 at the end of voting.

Next assignor clinic will be in Huntsville, not Montgomery.