

**OHIO NORTH
STATE REFEREE COMMITTEE, INC.**

June 9, 2015

Ohio Youth Soccer Association Office
6650 W. Snowville Rd, Suite Y, Brecksville, OH 44141

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM by Mr. Chapman, SRA.

ATTENDEES:

VOTING MEMBERS:

Tom Chapman, SRA
Blaz Pesorda, State Assignor Coord
Gina Van Vorous, Adult Rep
Barry Brooks, SYRA
Bill Nest, SDI
Brian Miller, Youth Rep

NON-VOTING MEMBERS:

Paul Emhoff, Pres, OYSAN
Ron Stuver, SRC Secretary

DISTRICT ADMIN MEMBERS:

Jim MacQueen, Akron DRA
Ken Van Wagnen, Firelands, DRA

ABSENT:

Toby Tomazic, State Dir Assmt

ABSENT:

Kalman Toth, SRC Treasurer
John Geyekenyesi, Pres, OSAN

ABSENT:

Dave Habib, Canton DRA
Mike Hill, Mansfield DRA
Roger Fey, Toledo, DRA
Tom Lewis, Cleveland DRA
Thom Sutcliffe, Youngstown DRA

Guests:

Mike Farmer

INTRODUCTION: Mr. Chapman introduced Ken Van Wagnen, as the new Firelands, DRA.

MEETING MINUTES:

Meeting Minutes from the April 14, 2015 meeting were submitted by Mr. Stuver.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Brooks, and seconded by Ms. Van Vorous, that the minutes for April 14, 2015 be approved.

The motion was approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Kalman Toth - absent)

There was no financial report provided.

REPORTS

STATE REFEREE ADMINISTRATOR: (Tom Chapman)

OSAN AGREEMENT

Mr. Chapman will contact Mr. Geyekenyesi regarding the annual renewal of the agreement between the SRC and OSAN.

STATE CUP

Mr. Chaoman reported that he had attended state cup weekend tournament matches at Sylvania and Strongsville.

ADULT REGIONALS

Mr. Chapman will serve as the HOD for the OHN referee delegation to the Region II Amateur Championships ("Adult Regionals") in Overland Park, KS, on Jun 12-14. The delegation will include Tori Penso, Vito Testa Jr., John Safar, and Ron Stuver.

TOC

Mr. Chapman will also serve as the HOD for the referee delegation traveling to the Tournament of Champions (TOC) in Ft. Wayne, IN, on Jul 24-26.

SRC PLANNING MEETING

The August SRC meeting will be a "Planning Meeting" to be held on Tuesday, Aug-11 at 5:00pm at Panera Bread in Brecksville. This will be a planning session for the SRC members, without the attendance of the DRA's.

USSF REGISTRATION MATERIAL

The registration material survey has been submitted to USSF and 2016 material should arrive in July. Expected to received 2,000 referee badges and books, 96 FIFA/USSF Laws of the game booklets, and various of badges.

STATE CLINIC AND FITNESS TEST

- **INSURANCE CERTIFICATE:** Mr. Chapman has coordinated with Mr. Stuver to apply for the US Soccer insurance certificate that is required by the Twinsburg City School District, where the State Clinic and Fitness Test will be held on Aug 1-2. This insurance certificate has been received and Mr. Stuver has submitted to the school.
- **PINNIES:** Four (4) colored sets of pinnies have been purchased for the fitness test.
- **COMMUNICATIONS:** Mr. Chapman stated that he would send an email to all referees announcing the state re-cert clinic, 7A upgrade class, and fitness test on Aug 1-2.

STATE DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTION: (Bill Nest)

STATE CUP OBSERVATIONS

Per observations by Mr. Nest at the State Cup tournament weekends, he intends to include some issues noted during these matches within the State Clinic instruction.

2016 ONLINE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL

Mr. Nest has assigned Mr. Lewis and Mr. Miller to prepare material that will be posted for online re-certification training modules (Game Officials) for the Youth (8) and Adult (7) referees. It was acknowledged that the previous target date (Jun-1) has been missed and this is now a priority.

AUGUST CLINIC & FITNESS TEST

A referee clinic and fitness test is being scheduled for Aug 1-2. The clinics under consideration include:

- in-service for current State Referees (Gr 6) – 5 hours on Saturday following fitness test
- instructor training – while under consideration, Mr. Nest is inclined to pursue this at a future date
- upgrade from 8/7 to 7A – Saturday and Sunday – under consideration
- upgrade from 7A to 6 – Saturday and Sunday – under consideration
- fitness testing will be organized by Mr. Stuver, with state referees scheduled early to permit attendance at the state re-cert clinic to begin late morning.

Noted that the fitness test is for Gr 7A and Gr 6 referees, and the interval and sprint standards are being re-set by US Soccer. (*see new US Soccer Referee Certification Requirements*)

Mr. Nest also stated that upgrade courses will include a written exam, which will be the older 100-question exam that is based upon the laws, procedures and mechanics. The passing score requirements are:

Grade 7A = 75%

Grade 6 = 80%

It was noted that the majority of questions on the exam are from Laws 5, 11, 12 and 14.

STATE DIRECTOR OF ASSESSMENT: (Toby Tomazic - absent)

No report.

SYRA – REGISTRATION – YOUTH REP:

(Brian Miller)

YOUTH REGIONALS

Mr. Miller has selected 16 referees for attendance to the Region II Youth Championships in Fox Cities, WI.

Mr. Miller noted that there are referees selected to attend Youth Regionals, who are not grade 7A, and per the previously approved SRC guidance, only referees grade 7A or higher would receive travel reimbursement.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Nest, and seconded by Mr. Brooks, to waive the SRC requirement that only referees, grade 7A or higher, are eligible to receive travel reimbursement for out-of-state tournaments during 2015. *(Note: by approving this motion, grade 8 & 7 referees will be eligible for out-of-state travel reimbursement.)*

The motion was approved unanimously.

(Barry Brooks)

REGISTRATION

Mr. Brooks provided the following 2015 registration summary:

Grade 8:	1,022	Futsal:	58
Grade 7:	766	Assignors:	85
Grade 6:	24	Assessors:	23
Emeritus:	<u>22</u>	Instructors:	33
TOTAL:	1,834		

(Michael Farmer)

No report.

ADULT REP: (Gina Van Vorous)

No report.

STATE ASSIGNOR COORDINATOR: (Blaz Pesorda)

- The next assignor class will be held in November.
- There has been a request for a new in-house assignor in Kirtland.
- It was noted that there are only 8 North Coast teams and 16 Lake Erie League teams.

DISTRICT REPORTS

Jim MacQueen, DRA, Akron

Mr. MacQueen reported that there are 18 members of a mentoring team in the Akron District. During the Spring, 12 of 18 mentors were actively mentoring referees at GAASA games. There were 33 regular season mentoring sessions and 18 referees were mentored during the GAASA playoffs. It was noted that 6 referees received more than one mentoring session as a result of first observations.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Mr. Brooks announced that this would be his final SRC meeting as he would likely be on vacation during the next SRC meeting scheduled in August. And per SRC by-laws, the SYRA position is held through August-31st and then Mr. Miller will officially take over as SYRA. Mr. Brooks stated that pending SRC approval of his contract, he plans to remain engaged as the SRC registrar.
- Mr. Chapman thanked Mr. Brooks for his 20-years of service as a member of the SRC.

ADJOURNMENT:

A MOTION was made by Mr. Brooks, and seconded by Mr. Miller, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:48pm.