

Foothill/Citrus Soccer Officials Association
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
(Tropical Mexico Restaurant)

Minutes for the FCSOA Annual General Meeting on January 21, 2019

Board Members present: Mac Brazelton, President – Patrick Cary, Vice-President – Greg Mann, Secretary – Rick Bays, Treasurer – Ron Cardin, Instruction Chair – Gabriel Herrera, At Large Representative I – Rigoberto Anguiano, At Large Representative II – Bob Karmann, Ranking Committee Chair – Dan Sobieski, Director of Assessment

Sixty-two (62) association members were present.

Patrick Cary, FCSOA Vice President called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. and moderated.

Patrick called for old business. There was none. He then introduced this year's Finals crews along with the dual 4th officials. He mentioned that CIF-SS will have the teams on opposite sides again this year, thus the need for two 4th officials per crew. Team 1: Braulio Aispuro-Arellano, Jessie Santamaria and Jorge Pelayo; 4th officials: Sylvester Martinez and Eric Crute. Team 2: Edwar Hernandez, Dennis Kishiyama and Mike Rodewald; 4th officials: Elkin Yepes and Chris Eackmann.

Secretary's Report – Copies of tonight's meeting agenda along with minutes from the 2018 AGM meeting and the proposed 2019 FCSOA budget were distributed to the members present. Greg Mann highlighted a few clerical errors from last year's minutes. The motion to accept the 2018 AGM minutes as presented received a motion from Ron Cardin and seconded by Curt Woolley with unanimous acclamation. Greg encouraged the membership to arrive on time to matches, wear clean, crisp uniforms and seek to be dressed like our partners. He also emphasized us to take our matches seriously – no matter the level.

President's Report – Mac said that we have 5 schools which dropped the JV programs half-way through the season. 14 tournament games were cancelled and 126 regular season games (140). He also reported that Arbiter assessed a \$9 extra amount for some unknown reason. He deducted that amount from everyone's assignment fees. He also announced the schedule of the CIF-SS playoffs along with the CIF State Regional Championship.

Vice President's Report – Patrick reported that one of his main duties is to report disqualification reports. This season's current number is 38 disqualifications. A number of athletic directors have sent emails to him about concerns and with feedback: The way we address players; informing both coaches the reason for yellow and red cards. He encouraged us to take care of dissent and hard fouls with preemptive warnings to players and coaches. He asked us to submit reports that evening instead of waiting until the next morning. Quote the exact language used in 'Foul and Abusive Language' red cards in our reports. Have athletic directors take care of fan problems. Be on time! Make phone calls to your partner(s) if you're having a problem with arrival time. Be ready for amped up play in these last two weeks of the regular season.

Treasurer's Report – Rick presented the 2019 budget proposal and shared that membership fees will not increase next year. Our current balance is (before the AGM dinner) \$7,465.30. Motion to accept the proposed budget was made by Mike Holguin and seconded by Jose Martinez. Accepted by unanimous acclamation.

Instruction Chair's Report – Ron mentioned some training points. We may wear our SCSOA Finals badges for perpetuity. Regarding misconducts: NFHS coaches “will be notified regarding yellow and red card sanctions”. Situation: You are the lead in a dual or the lead AR in diagonal system. Attacking player is in an offside position and has a long ball played to their vicinity. When do we as that official call the offside? Player must be interfering in active play, interferes with an opponent or gains an advantage by being in that position. Running toward the ball doesn't violate the rule...touching the ball or interfering (i.e. receiving a ball from a deflection off the goal posts or crossbar) with play does violate it. We also discussed substitution procedures.

Assessor Chair's Report – Dan Sobieski also stressed Peer Reviews. He has done official and unofficial assessments and observations this season. He emphasized signaling. We show the signals for players, coaches and fans. Restart the clock after having stopped it with the 'wind up' motion. Another reminder: If there is a 'through ball'...when do we stop running with or toward the ball? Answer: when a defender sends it the other direction or be with that defender until he/she does. It shows everyone that you are moving and striving to be in position at all times.

Ranking Committee Chair's Report – Bob Karmann explained the ranking process (500-100). Rankings determine what level each referee may officiate. In order to increase one's ranking, get assessed by Dan Sobieski; he and the Ranking Committee also consider feedback that we have received from member referees. Have your partner file a Peer Review in order to give feedback to the Ranking Committee. Also, file an official Peer Review if there is a concern about a specific official.

At-Large Representatives' I & II Reports – Gabriel Herrera told us that we have several new officials and encouraged experienced officials to help them and provide feedback to them and to the At Large Representatives when helpful. Rigoberto Anguiano mentioned coach and bench management. Be calm. We should be careful not to rush into decisions and to not be reactive. Talk, warn, card. Talk to each other pre-game and during the game as officials...be on the same page.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S ELECTIONS – Moderated by Ron Cardin

In accordance with FCSOA By-Laws & Election guidelines, the positions for President, Secretary, and At-Large Representative I nominations were opened. We received no nominations via email or phone prior to this meeting. No nominations were made from the floor. A motion to close nominations was made by Curt Woolley. Jose Vega seconded and closed by unanimous acclamation. Nominations for Mac Brazelton, Greg Mann and Gabriel Herrera were accepted by unanimous acclamation. They were each re-elected for two-year terms.

There was no new business.

Motion to adjourn to close the meeting was made by Curt Woolley and seconded by Jose Vega.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Mann
FCSOA Secretary