

2006 Meeting Minutes

MEMORANDUM

To: NYSCOS Executive Committee, NYSCOS Local Boards

From: John Hogan, NYSCOS Secretary/Treasurer

Date: August 6, 2006

1. President Dick Miller called the NYSCOS 2006 annual meeting to order at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Syracuse, NY at 9:30AM, on August 5, 2006. All NYSCOS executive committee members were present, except Thom Kadlubowski. All local boards were represented as certified by a roll call, except Utica and Orange. Orange was excused due to a family emergency.
2. The 2005 annual meeting minutes were approved, as was the 2005-2006 treasurers' report. A detailed financial report was provided to all local boards and all executive committee members.
3. Ab Leonard, the NYSCOS interpreter, provided his usual spirited, animated and very brief 2006 national federation rules interpretation. An outstanding effort by Abby – as always, well worth the ride/flight to Syracuse. Even the closing “story” was worth the wait. The NFHS provided, once again, a well done 2006 rules VCR tape. Alexis Murphy volunteered to reproduce the tape again this year. Alexis handed out a copy to each board present at the meeting. The 2007 rules will be provided on a DVD.
4. Neil Edkins provided the 2005 boy's state tournament report. A detailed written report was provided to all boards. The 2006 tournament will again be held in Oneonta, on 18-19 November 2006. 30 officials will again be required for the semi final round. A special note was made to insure that referee's notify the scorekeeper and each coach when a caution and/or an ejection is issued. Visibly display all cards during the regular season as well as tournament play. Neil mentioned that the consumption of alcohol at high school sporting events is absolutely prohibited.
5. Mike Andrew, the Boy's NYS Soccer Chairman addressed the meeting. Due to the efforts of Neil Edkins the alternate official will now get paid in addition to the NYSPHSAA contract stipend. The NYSPHSAA sportsmanship committee yellow card proposal will be voted on this week – more to follow. Several sections are still experimenting with OT procedures and game time lengths. At least 6 sections need to use a similar procedure to have the rule changed. We appreciate Mike taking the time to attend our meeting – his information and experience is invaluable.
6. Alexis Murphy provided the girl's state championship report. The 2006 Tournament will be held at SUNY Cortland. There was no Class A or B sportsmanship award given out in 2005. There were several housing issues. Alexis emphasized that the Section coordinator selects the referees who will work the State finals. It is the girl's state committee policy that the host section official's will not be used for the championship games unless there are extenuating circumstances.
7. Dick Miller indicated that the NYSCOS referee assault report form will be distributed to all boards prior to the start of the season. The new 2006 – 2008 NYSPHSAA handbook was distributed to all

boards and executive committee members. A newly revised – June 2006 NYSCOS Constitution and Bylaws was also distributed to all boards and executive committee members.

8. The Distinguished Referee Award for 2005 was presented to Charlie Weidner of the Suffolk County Boy's Board. The 2005 Referee of the Year Award was presented to Jeff James of the Northern NY Board.

9. The official NYSCOS uniform will be the gold, orange, or blue grid shirt with black shorts and black socks with three white stripes. The all black with white trim shirt may also be worn but is being phased out. The new black/grey grid shirt can be phased in to replace the solid black. Shirts may be either short or long sleeved. Officials will be dressed alike. USSF or USSF look alike jerseys are not authorized for wear.

10. NYSCOS election of officers was conducted. The Neil Riddell, chairman of the NYSCOS nominating committee proposed the following slate: Rich Leaf, 2nd Vice President. No other nominations were proposed. Clyde Best moved that the NYSCOS secretary cast one ballot, seconded by Alan Wharton, and Rich was elected as the new NYSCOS 2nd Vice President.

11. The Seneca/Romulus territorial coverage issued has been resolved. Central will cover Romulus. Mid State will cover South Seneca boys and Chemung will cover South Seneca girls. Coverage of varsity games will be a priority. NYSCOS will develop an operating policy to deal with this problem for future occurrences. If local boards can not resolve the issue between themselves NYSCOS will determine the coverage.

12. A suggestion to adopt solid black socks as the standard uniform sock was made – the suggestion will be forwarded in writing to the NYSCOS secretary.

13. The NYSCOS 2006 annual meeting was adjourned at 12:05PM. Lunch was served for all participants. The 2007 NYSCOS annual meeting will be held August 4, 2007, 9:30AM at a place to be designated in the Syracuse area.