



Orange County *Football Officials Association*

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2014

Orange County Fire Authority Offices, Irvine, CA

BOARD ATTENDEES:	Mark Andrews Martin Covarrubias Gary Gillman Chad Wilson	Larry Clanton Don Douglass Forrest Werner	Kris Concepcion Sal Figueroa Frank Werner
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ABSENT: Mod Vega

NON BOARD ATTENDEES: Paul Caldera

GUESTS: Mark Graban Fred Hamasaya

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by President Frank Werner.

Officials Forum –

Fred Hamasaya – Brought up Annual Banquet last meeting. Wanted to follow-up with the board but wanted to know if this is a dead issue? Board discussed and felt that there has not been anyone to champion it. Location not difficult. Not sure why it cannot happen. Can be part of the dues. Fred would be happy to be involved. Create Banquet committee.

Mark Graban – Looking forward to helping with instruction and working on the By-Laws committee.

Presidents Report (Frank Werner)

By Laws Committee Update

Darrel Jones will be Chairman, assisted with Mark Graban, Sal Figueroa, Fred Hamasaya and Rich Brown. Would like membership to know about it and make it an open process during the review so when first meeting occurs, vote can take place. Process - Committee presents to board for approval and then presented to membership for vote.

Referee/Crew Chief Update

Selection in place for committee – Steve Heyman chairperson – Bob Hernandez, Ric Bennett. Several others possible. Will discuss with Brian Brennan.

Arbiter was having some issues during the last month and will put a new Arbiter email for anyone wanting to be a new White/Gray hat and turn in applications – will have until Jan 24th to turn in their request for consideration. One white hat retiring – Doug Turner.

Secretary /Treasurer's Report (Clanton)

October 2013 Board Minutes – **Motion** to approve by Figueroa/2nd Forrest Werner – Approved 9-0

Leave of Absence – It was agreed upon to accept Ben Hughes leave for the 2014 season

Correspondence – David Bautista email regarding suggested rule changes and uniform requests

October - December 2013 Financial Report – **Motion** to approve by Concepcion/2nd Andrews – Approved 10-0.

Presented 2013 Financial Review and final Statement of Receipts & Disbursements

Presented 2014 Draft Budget – Tabled until February meeting for action

Vice-President (Figueroa)

Crews Update – Doug Turner has retired as a Crew Chief. Dennis Geiger has also retired.

Request for Life Membership for Doug Turner. **Motion** to approve by Wilson/2nd Concepcion. Approved 10-0.

Turner released his umpire (Fooks) before retirement. Currently have 26 crews and selection committee will be looking for one 2014 crew chief as of this meeting date. All other white hats are coming back. Gilman brought up a white hat succession issue. Currently 4 openings on crews. Post on website current crew list after the finalization of the crew chiefs.

Instructional Chairman (Wilson)

CFOA Instructional meeting January 25th – Possibly no instructional chairman. Three philosophies – HS only, College hybrid, Do our own thing attitude. Leadership void right now. Will check regarding packet pricing and purchasing rule books separate. OCFOA was only unit that did not allow randomized questions on study guide. Officially 10 individuals that are non qualified for the 2014 season. Both crew and non-crew classes for every position will be attempted for this coming year.

Ratings Chairman (Covarrubias)

None

Assignor (Caldera)

Passed out sheet to look at changes to the Policy & Procedures regarding Crew Referee Ratings and Assignor Position (attached to Minutes). Crew Chief areas need to be addressed for improvement of looking at poor performance ratings – to look at areas to enhance our crews to represent the “best” of our association. What standard gets used to have objective discussion with the white hats? Discussion centered around possibly creating an “Expectation” list for the crew chiefs. Recommend that the board take a look at these changes and act at the next meeting. Board owes it to the schools to continue for unit improvement.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mentoring Program (Andrews)

Did not have a program last year for new officials. Need formal program for this coming season – Extremely valuable.

Non Varsity Evaluations (Andrews)

Feedback that he received some Reports that new and regular officials did not get any evaluations last season. New officials were discouraged last season with the program. They felt “lost” in the process and it would be good to put together a stronger program this season.

Webmaster Position (Frank Werner)

Created with a board member but it is an appointed position.

Need to talk to Andrew Lambert on his status for 2014 – and the minimum expectations of the position. Website should be on a “third party” server.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME – Wednesday, February 26, 2014, 6:30 p.m. – Orange County Fire Authority, Irvine

ADJOURNMENT – 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Larry Clanton
Secretary/Treasurer