

February 23, 2004 Executive Board Minutes

President Jim Egeberg called the meeting to order at his home at 6:28 p.m.

Attending: Egeberg, Vice President Elie Ghawi, Treasurer Paul Trankar, Secretary Stephen Lough, Immediate Past President Mike Oliver and at-large members Greg Cole, Rob Johan and Conrad Reddick.

Also attending: Assignment chairperson Eduard Braun.

Trankar moved that the minutes of the Jan. 12, 2004 meeting be approved; Ghawi seconded; motion carried.

The board completed final preparations for the March 13 clinic at Dominican University. Braun will discuss the assigning process. Oliver and Bob Jovanovic will make presentations on foul recognition and referee/AR communications. Greg Cole will give an IHSA rules interpretation presentation for those needing it for the spring season. Ghawi will be responsible for food, and Lough will bring the beverages. The board agreed to tell Diana Morrow that referees she assigns to high school games are welcome to attend the clinic for a \$10 fee per person.

Johan moved that the chapter contribute \$250 to Moody Bible Institute to defray costs Moody soccer players incur traveling to England to minister to the poor; Reddick seconded; motion carried.

Oliver moved that the chapter contribute \$100 to the Florida chapter to defray costs of hosting the NISOA national convention this year; Ghawi seconded; motion carried.

In regard to the new web site, Oliver, as chapter clinician, will post on the site answers to questions the referees may have concerning rules, game control, mechanics, etc.

Trankar presented the final budget for 2004 showing total income of \$12,915 and expenses of \$13,755 for a deficit of \$840. The chapter's balance sheet as of Feb. 12, 2004 was \$2,666.06 in checking and \$3,022.17 in savings for a total of \$5,688.23.

Braun reported that he has received approximately half of the referee ratings and that he will press the delinquent participants to get their ratings in so that he may make a presentation about the ratings at the March 13 clinic.

Oliver moved that the chapter pay \$75 to purchase professional liability insurance to cover Braun as chapter assignor; Johan seconded; motion carried.

Johan moved that the board nominate Jim Egeberg to be the Region VIII representative; Oliver seconded; motion carried.

Cole moved that the chapter pay \$400 as its share of the costs involved in moving the assigning process to The Arbiter, which notifies referees of their assignments through the web, eliminating e-mail and U.S. mail notification; Johan seconded; motion carried.

Cole moved that chapter dues be raised to \$30 from \$25 beginning with the 2005 calendar year; Ghawi seconded; motion carried.

The board agreed to meet again at 6:30 p.m., April 12 at Egeberg's home.

Lough moved that the meeting be adjourned; Reddick seconded; motion carried. Egeberg declared the meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Lough
Secretary

April 12, 2004 Executive Board Minutes

Location: Egeberg Residence

Board Members Present: Egeberg, Johan, Trankar, Reddick, Cole, Oliver (Clinician)

Board Members Absent: Braun, Lough, Ghawi

June Clinic

Concordia University

Clinic Topic: Oliver will choose topic and arrange for speakers. Suggested topics were; coaches feedback/issues. Braun will be asked to go over ratings.

Fitness Testing Cole, Trankar and Reddick will set up and arrange for timers and recording data. Cole will contact school soccer contact coach to coordinate field setup.

Telephone Email List

Trankar reported there are 4 new high school officials who have become Chapter members. Egeberg requested that any new or updated emails be forwarded to him.

Trankar also reported 20 to 30 Chapter members are delinquent with their dues. Egeberg will contact each member.

August Clinic

August 7, Moody Bible

A discussion was had concerning handouts. Various suggestions were made. Egeberg will make final decision.

Topics

NCAA Rules (Oliver will not be able to attend)

Fitness testing: 5 stations will be needed. Cole, Johan Reddick and Egeberg volunteered to assist. Lough, Trankar and Johan will assist with sign-in.

IHSA Rules Interp: Cole

Clinic Topic: suggested topics included "Coaches Tape" "critical Situations" tape

IHSA

Egeberg has IHSA Officials Assoc. update and will remain IHSA contact person. Motion by Egeberg to contribute \$50 for hospitality at IHSA Officials Convention in Peoria in July. Second by Johan. Following discussion, motion carried. Cole will attend as the Chapter Delegate.

Egeberg will confirm date of March 2005 GCC clinic with IHSA so that we can incorporate an IHSA sanctioned certified clinic (to be conducted by Cole) as part of the GCC clinic.

NISOA Training Camp – Carthage College

A list of Chapter members was presented who have applied for scholarships to attend the camp. Motion by Johan to award scholarships to the top 5 applicants according to rankings and provided further that they are in the top 50% of ranked GCC officials. Chapter fees must also be paid. Second by Reddick. Following discussion, motion carried. Braun will provide rankings.

University of Chicago

Egeberg reported on his conversation with U. of C. Coach O'Connor. This followed his receipt of Braun's letter indicating GCC/Braun would no longer assign officials for U of C games. Coach indicated he wanted to set up a meeting to resolve issues. It was the consensus of the Board that the meeting take place under the following conditions: neutral site of our choosing; U. of C. A.D. must be present; at minimum there must be some type of concession from U of C on the issue of parking before we reconsider our decision. Braun and Oliver will also be present.

Treasurer's Report

Presented by Trankar, motion to approve by Cole, second by Johan, approved.

NISOA Newsletter

Recognition by Board was given to Oliver for his published article submitted as GCC's National Clinician.

Cole was recognized for officiating in NCCAA Men's and Women's Finals

Next Meeting June 28, 2004, 6:30. Egeberg Residence

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted Gregory Cole

June 28, 2004 Executive Board Minutes

Location: Egeberg Residence

Board Members Present: Egeberg, Ghawi, Oliver, Trankar, Cole

Board Members: Braun (assignor), Lough, Reddick, Johan

Minutes of Previous Board Meeting; Minutes of the April 2004 Board Meeting were presented by Cole. Motion to accept by Trankar, second by Oliver. Motion Approved.

June Clinic at Concordia in Retrospect: Oliver suggested we do our homework the next time we conduct a clinic at a new site. Although the outdoor fitness portion went well, there were problems getting into the auditorium on time and technical problems once inside.

August Clinic

Egeberg has long sleeved black T's for the member attendees

Topics: NCAA Rule Changes – Egeberg. Todd Abraham will be asked to conduct a segment on the analysis of critical game situations. Ghawi will conduct a segment on professionalism. Bob Balciunis will also be contacted to possibly conduct a segment, topic tbd. Assignments – Braun.

Egeberg will announce dues increase.

Fitness Test: Cole and Riddick will set up and get timers. Start time is 7AM sharp.

Sign in for Clinic and set up: Johan and Trankar

IHSA Rules Interp: Cole

NISOA Ref Training at Carthage: reimbursement of fees was discussed for certain officials who attended the Carthage college training session. Egeberg will advise Trankar of those who are to be reimbursed, based on GCC ranking, which was the criteria decided upon to qualify.

Moraine Valley JC: GCC/Braun will not be assigning games. Members are reminded of the consequences of accepting college assignments from non-NISOA approved assignors.

University of Chicago: Egeberg, Oliver and Braun met with the U of C A.D., the head men's and head women's coaches. Most issues were ironed out. Parking for officials is still unresolved, however officials may use the new parking garage east of the field.

Treasurer's Report: was presented by Trankar. Motion to approve by Oliver, second by Ghawi. Motion Approved.

Other Business: Trankar presented a motion to pay the registration fee for Mike Montani to attend the NISOA National Meeting. Second by Cole . Motion approved.

Annual Meeting: Dec. 7 at Green/White. The following Board member's terms expire: Trankar, Johan, Reddick, and Egeberg. New candidates and officers are needed.

Next Board Meeting: October 11: 6:30 PM Egeberg's

Meeting Adjourned 7:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted;

Gregory R. Cole, Acting Secretary

Minutes of the GCC Executive Board, October 11, 2004

President Jim Egeberg called the meeting to order at his home at 6:30 p.m.

Attending: Egeberg, Vice President Elie Ghawi, Treasurer Paul Trankar, Secretary Stephen Lough, Immediate Past-President Mike Oliver and at-large members Rob Johan and Greg Cole.

Also attending: Assignment chairperson Eduard Braun and Mike Montani.

Absent: At-large member Conrad Reddick.

Ghawi moved that the minutes of the June 28, 2004, meeting submitted by Cole be accepted; Lough seconded; motion carried.

Lough moved that Cole be chairman of the nominating committee for the elections at the December annual meeting; Ghawi seconded; motion carried.

Trankar, Johan and Reddick announced their intentions to seek re-election to their current positions. Lough said he will run for president.

Johan moved that the board appropriate \$300 (website hosting fee of \$100, consulting fee of \$200) to maintain the chapter's website for 2005; Cole seconded; motion carried. Egeberg will ask the consultant whether there will be an extra fee to maintain a Q&A on the site so that Oliver, the chapter clinician, can respond to members' questions concerning rules, mechanics, etc.

Lough moved that Mike Kennedy be named Region VIII referee of the year; Cole seconded; motion carried.

The board confirmed that all preparations for the Dec. 7 annual meeting were underway and that various assignments had been given to board members.

The board selected the following tentative dates and sites for 2005 clinics and annual meeting:

March 19 at Dominican University
IHSA three-year clinic to be conducted by Cole

June 7 at Concordia University
Fitness test to be conducted by Cole and Reddick
Offside presentation by Todd Abraham

August 6 at Concordia University
Fitness test (Cole, Reddick)

August 6 at Dominican University
Rules (Oliver)
IHSA rules (Cole)
Other subjects TBA

Egeberg moved that the chapter bear expenses to send Braun to the NISOA assignors' meeting in Orlando in January; Trankar seconded; motion carried.

Trankar reported that as of Oct. 11, the chapter had \$364.22 in its checking account and \$3,025.34 in its saving account for a balance of \$3,389.34. Johan moved that the treasurer's report be accepted; Oliver seconded; motion carried.

Oliver moved that the meeting be adjourned; Lough seconded; motion carried. Egeberg adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m. with the new board to meet at Egeberg's home at 6:30 p.m., Jan. 24, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Lough
Secretary

Minutes of the GCC Annual Meeting

December 7, 2004

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Mike Oliver, standing in for President Jim Egeberg, could not attend because of work commitments.

The number of members attending was 72.

Oliver recounted the success of the chapter's educational clinics, which attendees at the NISOA referee clinic at Carthage College believed were superior to those presented by NISOA. He also acknowledged the accomplishments of several of the chapter's members. Following are some, but not all, of those recognized:

John Anderson and Roger Yonan achieved NISOA national referee status.

Bob Jovanovic, Tony Vasoli, Greg Cole, Todd Abraham and Mike Oliver were recertified as NISOA national referees.

Abby Okulaja was named MLS referee of the year.

Mike Kennedy was the referee in the middle for the MLS championship game.

Ricardo Salazar is expected to be named a FIFA referee in the near future.

Eddy Braun was elected to the NISOA Hall of Fame.

A host of chapter officials were assigned to NCAA and NAIA playoff games.

Oliver, standing in for Eddy Braun, who was unable to attend, reported that Braun assigned officials to 790 games, up 105 over last year as a result of new schools and added programs in old schools. Seven officials missed their assignments, and Braun received 42 coaches' evaluations on officials.

Steve Siomos, Big 10 and Mid-Continent assignor thanked members for their work and promised to campaign for higher pay for officials in the Big 10, which already pays more than any other conference in the nation.

Oliver turned the meeting over to nominating committee chairman Greg Cole.

Cole announced that Stephen Lough was standing to run for president and asked for nominations from the floor.

Tim Deters moved that the nominations be closed; Bob Balciunas seconded; motion carried.

Rob Johan moved that Lough be declared president by acclamation; Peter Stavropoulos seconded; motion carried.

Cole announced that Paul Trankar was standing to run for treasurer and asked for nominations from the floor.

Deters moved that the nominations be closed; Steve Gebler seconded; motion carried. Elie Ghawi moved that Trankar be declared treasurer by acclamation; Roger Yonan seconded; motion carried.

Cole announced that John Anderson, Rich Geati, John Papas, Rob Johan, Conrad Reddick and Al Jones were standing to run for board members at large of which two positions were open. He asked for further nominations from the floor.

Deters moved that the nominations be closed; Gebler seconded; motion carried. A vote by secret ballot was conducted, and Cole and Oliver counted the votes. Cole announced that Anderson and Johan had been elected.

Deters moved that the ballots be destroyed; Bob Balciunas seconded; motion carried.

Lough presented Oliver with a plaque voted by the board to recognize him for his work over the years as a board member, president, past president and chapter clinician.

Deters moved that the meeting be adjourned; Bob Balciunas seconded; motion carried. Oliver declared the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Lough
Secretary
