

MINUTES OF JANUARY 2009 GCC BOARD MEETING

Date: January 12, 2009, 6:00 PM

Location: Jim Egeberg's Office, 3600 Kirchoff, Rolling Meadows

Present: John-Erik Anderson, President; Greg Cole, Secretary; Jim Egeberg, Treasurer; Khalaf Al-Latayfeh, Carl Fisher and Chris Koloffon, at large members; Steve Lough, Past President; Ed Braun, Chapter Assignor; and Mike Oliver, Chapter Clinician.

Absent: Eli Ghawi, Vice President.

Meeting Called to order at 6:05 P.M. by President Anderson

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of November 3, 2008 GCC Board made by Egeberg, second by Fisher, motion approved.

Motion to approve minutes of December 8, 2008 GCC Annual Meeting made by Fischer, second by Al-Latayfeh, motion approved.

Old Business

1. IHSA Observers Program update. Anderson reported that IHSA is still considering whether to offer a train the observer's class at its July official's conference.
2. Clinic Sites for 2009. Anderson and Braun reported that Peter Satvropoulos is working on a site for the March 14 clinic. Egeberg will contact Oak Park-River Forest H.S. to see if it would be available for the March 14 clinic as this would be a the preferred site due to the fact that it is more centrally located.

Treasurer's Report

Egeberg presented a fiscal tear/year to date itemized summary showing a balance of \$5,899.46. He also presented a roster of chapter members which indicates paying and non-paying members. Finally Egeberg presented a draft of a budget for the 2009 fiscal year. Vote on the final budget was tabled until the next meeting.

In connection with the budget for the upcoming year, and after discussion, a motion was made by Al-Latayfeh to cover the following expenses:

- Registration fee of Braun and Cole for the NISOA National Convention.
- Travel expenses, hotel, and registration fee for Braun for attending NISOA sponsored assignor's workshop.
- Travel and room expenses for Anderson for attending the IHSA officials Conference as our chapter delegate.

Second was made by Koloffon and the motion was approved.

New Business

1. Joint Clinic GCC and CSRC. Discussion was had regarding the possibility of holding a joint clinic with CSRC on March 14. Oliver advised that Angelo Brotsis had been asked by CSRC to speak, but that there would be a need for additional topics to be presented, and suggested that he and possibly Rich Grady could take on that task. That portion of the clinic would contain a focus toward NISOA officiating. Several possible topics were offered by Board members: Use of cards (possible topic for Brotsis), communication between ref, assistant ref and 4th official with some emphasis on the role of the 4th; and distinctions between the laws of FIFA, NISOA and IHSA. After further discussion it was the consensus of the Board that the joint clinic would be a good idea as a matter of convenience for our membership, many of whom are also members of CSRC. This clinic would also include an IHSA Rules Interpretation meeting component at the end of the day. GCC will offer to share the travel and hotel expenses of Brotsis.
2. Change in due date for annual fees. After discussion, a motion was made by Al-Latayfeh that the due date for the annual fee be the date of the annual meeting which is held in December. Any payments received after that date will be subject to the late fee. Second by Koloffon. Motion approved.
3. Background Checks. Anderson informed the Board of a new IYSA policy which requires that background checks be run through e7 Sports whose provider reserves the right to release/sell the applicants information to 3rd parties. This raises the issue of potential for identity theft. Braun advised the Board that such information as our members provide in connection with The Arbiter assigning system is not subject to disclosure to 3rd parties. In fact access to the information is restricted even among users such as him.

Next Meeting: April 20, 6 PM, Jim Egeberg's office.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gregory R. Cole, Secretary