

## **Minutes of the 03/24/2010 WCOA Football Board Meeting at Germany Library at 6:00 PM.**

Football board meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

Attendees: Claude Burg, Thom Powers, Harold Greenfield, Steve Clouse Jr. & Phil Crangi.  
Booking Commissioners: Ken Calhoun (Varsity and JV) and Hank Weil (Youth).

Absent: Dr. Greg Kaiser

### **Claude Burg (WCOA VP of Football):**

Claude opened the meeting with a discussion on 4 officials going to 1 flag site (JV and Varsity).

Schools are saying that they have 3 envelopes of \$71.

If we send 4 officials (1 official works the 1<sup>st</sup> game, another works the 2nd game), both get travel money. This is not being done. The 4<sup>th</sup> official is not getting his/her travel money.

The board will make every effort to see that these officials are paid travel.

Discussion on a letter to the board from a member regarding more pay for referees was addressed.

It was decided that the extra cost was not in the budget nor would fees be increased to cover that raise.

Flag play-off requirements should arrive on March 27 and we have until April 16 to turn them into the FHSAA.

A letter was sent to the assistant superintendent of athletics concerning finger printing.

We are asking to be exempt from this requirement because the law has been changed to exclude us.

The May 15 field clinic has been changed to **May 8, 2010**.

Discussion topics will be rule changes and mechanics. We are striving for more consistency across crews.

Harold will contact Jefferson HS to reserve the auditorium & classrooms for the clinic.

**Honig's will the May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting** to make available all supplies to the membership.

The subject of black pants was brought up for use in varsity football games this fall.

Subject was tabled until further dialog and feedback can be gathered.

The subject of large vs small, FHSAA patches was also discussed.

Whether to switch and make it mandatory this year or wait until the 2011 season to officially switch.

Remember, whatever the decision, the entire crew must be consistent (no half & half's).

The subject of creating a 16<sup>th</sup> varsity crew was discussed.

The board is concerned with crews sitting home on Friday nights. We want to avoid bye weeks.

The board feels that every crew should be on the field every Friday night, whenever possible.

What we use to decide the necessity for the 16<sup>th</sup> crew is the issue.

It was decided that when the number of varsity games on most Fridays exceeds 15 games a new crew will be added. The operational word is most. Most is a general term meaning more than  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{2}{3}$ , or  $\frac{3}{4}$ .

Where do we draw the line will be the topic for this decision.

The board will wait until the fall schedules are received to make a decision.

The issue on scrimmages, both spring and fall was brought up.

Seems that a significant number of officials are getting their required 3 scrimmages totally in the spring or fall.

The board wants these scrimmages to be a tune up for Jamborees and Kickoff Classics.

Jamborees & Kickoff Classics should not be the 1<sup>st</sup> time you step onto a football field each season.

Therefore, the board wants to revise the play-off requirements on scrimmages to read 'with scrimmages split between spring and fall'. It currently read 'it is recommended they be split'.

### **Thom Powers (WCOA President):**

Thom reported on officials that have not paid the state, association or received fingerprinting approval.

Thom also asked for a ruling on flag fines.

Some fines were imposed; some were not the official's fault.

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**Harold Greenfield (WCOA Board Member):**

Harold supplied the board members with current attendance records for the flag membership. Also handed out were the flag play-off crews from 2009. We had no crews go out last year. Fingerprinting requirements were also handed out. Contest assignment sheets and recent promotions were handed out to the board members.

Harold also mentioned another 4 new officials contacts was received this week. Harold will contact these prospects and invite them to our May meetings & clinic. Harold already has 12 prospects that have been contacted already.

**The next meeting is scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at Germany Library, at 6:00 PM.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.