

West Coast
WCOA Officials Association
Tampa

AGENDA -- REFEREE MEETING -- 8/25/08

- 1 Mechanics by Officials Manual
- 2 Pregame Timeline
- 3 Dress to/from game-site
- 4 Deal with problems early
- 5 Covering for Developing Officials (wing officials/sideline and umpire/run the middle)
- 6 Coaches On Field & In Team Box
- 7 Celebration
- 8 Profanity
- 9 Uniform Violations
- 10 Crews
- 11 Ratings

AGENDA -- MEMBERSHIP MEETING -- 8/25/08

- 12 Agenda
 - a. Announcements
 - b. Referee Meeting
 - c. Crews
 - d. Ratings
 - e. Youth Update
 - f. Booking Info
 - g. Guest Speaker, Coach Earl Garcia
- 13 Announcements
 - a. Sign-in
 - b. USA Football Sign-on (Code A67EK6L7LX)...New Officials take 4-man, later 5-man
 - c. www.wcoafila.org (meetings, game fees, travel, timeline, ratings, crews, minutes, weather, USA Football, discount for Honig's, uniform, etc...)
 - d. Video and Closed Book Exam Closes 9/2...don't wait
 - e. Finger-prints / Dues (Ken)
- 14 Results from Referee Meeting (see above items)
- 15 Crews
- 16 Promotions
 - a. 2's, 3's, 4's and 5's
 - b. Attendance/Scrimmage Work Needed (Ratings Can Be Affected)
- 17 Youth Update (Hank)
- 18 Booking Commissioners (Hank and Ken)
- 19 Guest Speaker -- Coach Earl Garcia, Hillsborough County
- 20 Officials to Stay for a Moment

Minutes of the 08/25/2008 WCOA Football Meeting at Jefferson at 6:00 PM.

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

Attendees: Clem Brooks, Ben Heugel, Harold Greenfield, Dr. Greg Kaiser, Monty Theus and Steve Clouse Jr.
Booking Commissioners: Ken Calhoun (Varsity and JV) and Hank Weil (Youth).

Ben Heugal (WCOA VP of Football):

Meeting from 6:00 – 7:00 was for referees only. Most were in attendance.

Several topics were discussed and approved.

When in doubt, go by 'the book', the mechanics manual.

The JV and varsity timelines were reviewed. Harold brought copies, but they weren't handed out.

Dress code to & from the game was reviewed. No shorts or flip-flops. Look nice.

Deal with problems early and put them to rest.

Covering for developing officials.

Coaches on the field has to be dealt with by all crews.

Celebrations was discussed, what it is, and isn't.

Any excessive, prolonged or orchestrated display or action.

Profanity – we all know what it is and we have to stop it.

Just use common sense and either issue a strong warning or ejection.

Police the players looking for bands, towels or exposed knees or any other thing they come up with.

Hits away from the play. If it's the kind that can cause injury, it should be flagged.

We need to verify our fingerprinting and carry our yellow, level 2 screening card to all games.

Newly promoted officials to the ranks of 3's, 4's and 5's were noted and acknowledged.

Guest speaker:

Earl Garcia Head Coach of Hillsborough High School.

He has great respect for us and the work we do.

We know the rules better than he does, but that's ok.

Dialog is an important aspect of the game. Communication is vital.

Coaches are not the enemy, and officials are not also.

Umpires have a tough job. They have the most players to watch.

Referees set the tone and tempo for the game.

Earl would prefer to be the only coach that talks to the referee.

If a problem arises, find the AD for answers.

Lightning, fights, weather, power outage, whatever: remain in control and shut down the game.

We can resume once the problem is over or resolved.

The next membership meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2008, at Jefferson, at 7:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.