

WCOA Football Board Meeting Minutes on 7/29/2014 at Germany Library at 6:00 PM

Football Board Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm.

Dr. Greg Kaiser (WCOA VP of Football):

The subject of the Fall Varsity Schedules was discussed.

The Assignment Committee submitted 2 schedules for consideration.

The Board discussed the merits of each schedule and chose the 2nd version.

Also discussed were a few deviations from the mechanics book:

- a) On scrimmage kicks, the Referee can be wider out, but can not be deeper. – **Accepted. This was adopted during the 2008 FHSAA Football Field Clinic and signed off on by the state.**
- b) Referees will not be deducted points on evaluations if beat to the goal line on interception returns, blocked punts, fumble returns, etc. so long as the Referee makes a “concerted effort” to make it to the goal line. – **Rejected. A “concerted effort” is too vague and such a sweeping statement creates a double standard between referees and back judges with regard to goal line duties.**
Therefore: The Referee must be on the goal line when such TD’s are scored.
- c) Umpires will no longer be required to step forward after the snap on punts. – **Rejected. This is in direct violation of the printed mechanics book, and the WCOA has never re-written anything specifically spelled out in the mechanics book. Furthermore, the 2014 mechanics change for umpires pushes them back 10 yards from the line of scrimmage on punts. Now, taking one step forward places the umpire 9 yards from the line of scrimmage which is exactly the same as their starting point previously.**
Therefore: The Umpire must move forward toward the LOS on punts.
- d) The use of supplemental signals was also discussed. **Per the FHSAA, there will be no embellishments to signaling an incomplete or completed pass (i.e. no bobbed signal, no waving the arms to signal out of bounds, no pointing to or pounding the ground to signal a trapped ball and no good catch signal).**
Therefore: We will all adhere to only the accepted NFHS signals.

Rookie / Referee / Back Judge Clinic

Where: St. Joseph Hospital Medical Arts Building Auditorium

When: Saturday, August 9th, 2014 starting at 8am

Clinicians:

Referee – Ben Heugel

Rookies – Dr. Greg Kaiser

Back judges – Claude Burg

Scrimmages to follow with TBYFL – 1) Alexander Elementary School and 2) Northside Dolphins Practice Field

A review of the Contest Assignment Sheet was conducted: Several officials are not be returning this year

The Alternate Officials list was also updated;

Some taken off because of promotions

Some added because of promotions

Some removed because of no longer being WCOA members

The board discussed the posting of vital statistics (attendance) to the web site for **Football**.

Also discussed was the information needed on the listing. It will be amended per the Board’s request.

It was decided that the final evaluations scores for all members that are used to calculate an official’s playoff score would be posted to the WCOA website annually. This would complete the concept of allowing every member to have total access to every piece of data that is part of their playoff score.

This not only gives each WCOA member access to their data, but it also places the burden of accuracy on each member.

It was noted and decided that ALL officials listed in Arbiter, as being available to work football, be listed on the Contest Assignment list. This will be done as soon as possible.

<u>Ben Heugel</u>	(WCOA President)	Present
<u>Dr. Greg Kaiser</u>	(WCOA Football Vice President)	Present
<u>Richard Birdsong</u>	(WCOA Board Member)	Present

<u>Phil Crangi</u>	<u>(WCOA Board Member)</u>	<u>Absent</u>
<u>Harold Greenfield</u>	<u>(WCOA Board Member)</u>	<u>Present</u>
<u>Gary Saliba</u>	<u>(WCOA Board Member)</u>	<u>Present</u>
<u>Ken Calhoun</u>	<u>(Varsity/JV Booking Commissioner)</u>	<u>Present</u>
<u>Hank Weil</u>	<u>(Youth Booking Commissioner)</u>	<u>Absent</u>

The next Board Meeting Date has not been scheduled yet.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.