

Central Oregon Soccer Officials Association Newsletter

September 30, 2016

Hi Everybody,

Halfway through the High School season! So far, so good! Just two more General Meetings left (dates and times below).

A couple of minor notes:

- The Meeting Minutes from our Sep. 21st Meeting are enclosed.
- A copy of Leslie's email about Playoff Eligibility is enclosed.
- Be on the lookout for Senior soccer players who exhibit great Sportsmanship for the Rivers Scholarship.

See you at the Oct. 5th General Meeting,

Mehdi

--- UPCOMING EVENTS ---

Please stick these dates and times on your calendar.

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	WHAT'S HAPPENING	AGENDA	NOTES	
Oct. 5, 2016	7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center(Conf. Room D)	5 th General Meeting	Training: Elevating Your Game		
Oct. 19, 2016	7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center(Conf. Room D)	6 th General Meeting	Training: Playoff Preparations		

--- MORE STUFF ... ---

COSOA General Meeting Minutes (September 21, 2016)

COSOA General Meeting

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

SCMC Bend

Present: Del Abbott, Shyanna Ashworth, Christine Johnson, Mike Paul, Keith Erickson, Mike Prochaska, Leona Steels, Marko Alexander, Mehdi Salari, Pat Evoy, Leslie Evoy, Mike Armstrong, Neil Carlson, Siloe Castaneda, Nathaniel Collins, Alberto De Anda, Steve Kurzer, Ramon Chivas

Approval of previous meeting minutes – Mehdi was late for last meeting and was not able to record previous meeting minutes.

Treasurer's report – no issues presented

“Non High School related” updates and comments – importance of protecting our youth officials from verbal abuse from parents, coaches and spectators was discussed

Commissioner's Report and Assignor's Report:

- Playoff OCEP – referees were encouraged/reminded to check their playoff eligibility and complete any missing requirements, if wishing to officiate playoff matches
- Field Conditions – with daylight becoming a limiting factor in stacked games, referees were reminded about the importance of keeping things on time and schedule
- Pre-Game Requirements – Try and ask the following three things before the game: 1) If players legally equipped and attired? 2) Who is serving as Site/Field Administrator? 3) If there is a Trainer on site for the games?
- Concussion Management – a discussion about the ethics and protocol for handling players who might be deemed to be concussed by the Trainer, but not the Coach was held.

New Business

- Gregory Scott Rivers scholarship candidates? Referees were reminded to be on the lookout for deserving seniors. Mike Armstrong suggested we keep an eye on Meghan Day from Summit Girls and Tayla Wheeler from Bend Girls.
- Training Topics
 - The protocols for substituting or replacing an injured Keeper were discussed.
 - The rationale for using the whistle for substitutions was discussed.
 - The protocol for using the whistle for a goal scored was discussed.

- AR Flag mechanics for signaling offside and goal kicks was discussed.

Next meeting time and date: October 5, 2016 – Training to be covered by Mehdi.

Adjourn.

Copy of Leslie's Email about Playoff Eligibility (September 28, 2016)

The following officials are playoff eligible and will be eligible for consideration as our State Finals Representative:

Del Abbott
Cesario Alonso
Michael Armstrong
Nathaniel Collins
Patrick Evoy
Steven Kurzer
Mike Prochaska
Mehdi Salari
John Young

If you do not wish to be considered for the State Finals, please email me separately.

If you want to become playoff eligible (for State Finals consideration), you need to start working on that now. We will be voting for our representatives at the next meeting, which is Wednesday, October 5th.

The cut-off date for all play-in games is October 29th and all officials are eligible to officiate these games. After that, you will need to be playoff eligible to officiate the next round of games. Playoff dates are as follows:

Tuesday, November 1st	1st Round - Girls
Wednesday, November 2nd	1st Round - Boys
Saturday, November 5th	Quarterfinals
Tuesday, November 8th	Semi-finals
Saturday, November 12th	State Finals

We could really use more playoff eligible officials, so please consider retaking the test, or doing whatever you need to do to make yourself eligible. If you're not sure what you need to do, go to OSAA.arbitersports.com and check your eligibility under 2016-17 Playoff Soccer.

Thanks!!