

**South Carolina Football Officials Association
Directors Meeting
October 28, 2013
6:00PM
South Carolina High School League Building
Columbia, South Carolina
Minutes**

Those present were:

President: Paul Pool

Vice President: Steve Brush

Secretary: Chuck Cauthen

Commissioner: Bruce Hulion

Past President: Bryan Fink

Officials' Representative to the Executive Committee of the SCHSL: Joedy Moots

District 1: Bill Reid

District 2: Eric Wells

District 3: Chris Horton

District 4: Rick Hughes

District 5: Doug Drenning

District 6: Joe Eason

District 7: Sam Felder

District 8: Tommy Brush

District 9: Granderson James

District 10: Lee Blackmon

District 11: Bryan Murphy

District 12: Melvin McGrier

District 13: Brian Shealy

All motions were properly seconded.

1. Call to Order- Paul Pool
2. Invocation – Granderson James
3. Approval of July 26, 2013 Director’s meeting minutes.

Motion to approve minutes with addition of Clinic notes and correction that Mike Mullinix was the designee for Bryan Murphy (District 11).

Motion passed 16 yea 0 nay

4. Administrative Items-

a. Incoming officers for 2013 - Bryan Fink

Paul announced incoming officers were Steve Brush, President, Dean Waters, Vice-President and Chuck Cauthen, Secretary.

b. Incoming Directors for 2013 - Bryan Fink

Paul announced incoming Directors were Chris Horton - District 3, Allen Lee - District 6, Granderson James - District 9, and Bryan Murphy - District 11. Note: Chris, Granderson and Bryan were re-elected by their districts to serve consecutive terms.

c. Shrine Bowl Committee Report

Paul reported that the Mellow Mushroom restaurants will make a 10% of your bill donation to the Shrine Bowl if you identify yourself as an SCFOA member.

Motion – Chuck Cauthen; Second – Bryan Fink; For SCFOA to contribute \$500 to the Shrine Bowl.

Motion passed 16 yea 0 nay

d. North - South Report

Bryan Fink reported that \$1990.40 (including a \$500 donation by SAM's Club) had been collected thus far for supporting the officiating crew and that District 11 continues to solicit business contributions.

e. Mechanics feedback/proposals – To Vice President by January 15th.

f. Hall of Fame Nominations, The deadline for nominations, SCFOA Vice President, by the District Director, shall be February 1,2014

g. Scholarship Applications due January 15, 2013

h. Retirement of Cheree Carter

The Board was made aware of the planned retirement of Cheree Carter after 25 years of service to the South Carolina High School League.

Motion by Bill Reid with second by Bryan Fink for a \$500 monetary gift for Cheree.

Motion passed 16 yea 0 nay

5. Officials Representative Report- Joedy Moots

No news to report from the SCHSL. Jody did bring up a question that several officials had brought to him concerning what the approved attire (shorts or pants) was for scrimmages. SCFOA has no across the board police for scrimmage attire. This is up to each district's Director and will vary district to district.

6. Unfinished Business

a. State Finals (hospitality)

Plans are not finalized. Hopefully the suite will not cost the association this year. Preliminary plans are to provide drinks but no food this year.

b. Clinic Excuses

Consistency between districts as to acceptable excuses were discussed and the directors were urged to ensure excuses are valid and to be wary of those officials who repeatedly ask to be excused to prevent abuse of this provision.

Motion by Chuck Cauthen to accept the excuses as reviewed and approved by each Director. Second by Joe Eason.

Motion passed 16 yea, 0 nay.

c. By-Law Committee establish Standing Committees – Tommy Brush

Report to be made at the March 2014 meeting.

8. New Business/Proposals

a. Hall of Fame Review Committee – Steve Brush

Report/recommendation to be made at the March 2014 meeting.

b. Meeting Dates -

Board meeting dates set for March 25, July 26, and October 28 and the Clinic July 27.

c. 2014 Review Board Members

Mike Mullinix - Term expires 12-31-2013

Jerry Welmaker - Term expires 12-31-2014

Vice President-elect Waters appointment - Term expires 12-31-2015

Dean Waters appointed Bill Reid to the Review Board.

9. Commissioner's Report

Bruce advised there was \$54,555.42 in our account and noted that the booking fee from the SCHSL had not been received yet. The booking fee is expected to be \$24,500.

The League office will no longer be able to support compilation of the official's ratings. Wynee Dee has agreed to do this for SCFOA on her own time.

Motion made by Chris Horton and second by Bill Reid to pay Wynee Dee \$1,000 for this service. The ratings need to be available for the Directors by March 1st.

Motion passed 16 yea, 0 nay.

2014 registration will be done on-line through AtbiterSports. The League office will send details by e-mail when the system is ready. Registration fee will have to increase \$5.00 to cover the cost.

Consideration is being given to a two part testing process for 2014. The Federation on-line test would be used for official's certification and the Clinic test would be used for rating purposes. Final decision will be made in March.

Our overall performance on the field has degraded during the season. Our crews are having trouble with basic stuff and we appear to be moving backwards rather than forward. Bruce relayed multiple examples that covered the state of acts that do not live up to minimum standards. Directors are challenged to not let officials work at levels they shouldn't. Our officials should know the rules and expectations. Let's not embarrass ourselves.

10. President's Report/Comments – Paul Pool

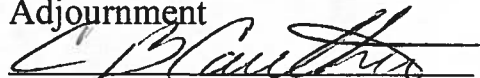
Paul thanked everyone for their help and support and encouraged all to attend the championship games.

Motion to Adjourn

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Motion Passed 16 yea 0 nay.

Adjournment


Chuck Cauthen, Secretary SCFOA

5-11-14
Date