

REPORT OF 7/15/2020 SCBOA DIRECTOR'S MEETING

SC High School League Office

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

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| 1. Rico Williams | 5. Richie Jeffcoat | 9. James Slater |
| 2. Jerome Hall | 6. Marc Tindal | 10. Steven Wood |
| 3. Paul Behr | 7. Leon Myers | 11. Not present |
| 4. David Pitts (late) | 8. Darrell Warren | 12 Paul Holland |

Commissioner Charlie Wentzky

Officials Representative: Kyle Boczkowski (Not in attendance)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by David Fauth (SCBOA President)

II. INVOCATION

Prayer by Steven Wood

III. READING OF MINUTES (March 2020)

Minutes were read silently by all SCBOA Directors who were present.

Motion made by Paul Behr and second by Jerome Hall to accept the minutes as information.

IV. OPENING COMMENTS

David Fauth (SCBOA President) welcomed all the SCBOA Directors to the meeting. Also, he encouraged all Directors to be patient and flexible for the upcoming season due the unknowns surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic.

V. APPEALS FOR GAME DECLINES/TURNBACKS

Richie Jeffcoat (SCBOA Secretary/Treasurer) did not have the Decline/Turnback information completed and sorted by each individual District.

Action item: SCBOA Secretary to finalize summary of Game Declines/Turnbacks by District and send to each individual Director for review and feedback. Directors to return information to Richie by 8/28/20.

VI. CAMP SUMMARY

The SCBOA Camp Committee all agreed the CAMPS scheduled for Summer 2020 would not be held due to the COV-19 pandemic. All SCBOA officials scheduled to attend camp summer 2020 will be **required** to attend one of the hosted camps in summer 2021. All officials will be rewarded their points for attending camp 2020.

VII. SCBOA Budget Report

Commissioner Charlie Wentzky provided the following updates.

- Current balance \$30,221.37
- Names on account have been updated based on the retirement of Skip Lax
- Expenses Paid
 - SCBOA Tax Preparation \$ 250.00
 - SCBOA HOF Plaques \$ 506.85 (Palmetto Plaques)
 - SCBOA HOF Programs \$ 535.30 (Hardwick Printing)
 - SCBOA HOF Rings (11) \$2,916.53 (Jostens)

VIII. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GIFTS

The following items were suggested as gifts for the 2020 State Championship officials. Budget remains at 30.00 per official.

- Legal Pad (same as 2019)
- Towels with embroidered logo
- Pen/Pencil set with logo/name

SCHSL office provides commemorative coin

IX. SCBOA HALL OF FAME UPDATE

The 2020 SCBOA Hall of Fame induction and award ceremony scheduled for March 18,2020 was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Tentatively rescheduled for March 2021. Other suggestions discussed.

- Include the 2020 SCBOA HOF induction and award ceremony as part of the 2022 SCBOA HOF induction ceremony instead of rescheduling in 2021. This will allow us to have one ceremony and save on the cost of renting the facility and paying for food separately with 2 events.
- Move forward with rescheduling the 2020 SCBOA HOF induction in March 2021 (if permissible). It was suggested we look at alternative day on the weekend Saturday or Sunday around 2 pm along with possibly a different venue. Currently, we have a budget of 7,500 but the cost per meal is 26.00 per person and we are only charging 20.00 per guest. The 6.00 difference will erode our \$ 7,500 budget.

SCBOA HOF Committee will discuss and provide an update in the next Directors meeting.

X. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Charlie Wentzky provided the following updates and discussion points

- Due to the COVID-19 pandemic we will have to do things differently
- Virtual meetings will be the normal
- Statewide Clinic will be held via ZOOM
- Basketball registration will resume 9/1/20
- Jan Hogan will handle varsity assignments via Arbiter
- All sub-varsity assignments will be handled by the local Director
- The 2020-21 season is still being planned. 3 options
 - Start season on time
 - Delay start of season with reduced number of games
 - Cancel basketball season
- Sub Assigner fee 35.00 to be paid to SCHSL when requested
- More detailed discussions to take place in September 2020

Commissioner Singleton discussed the following:

- Thanked the SCBOA Directors for their contributions and leadership
- Indicated we are in challenging and everchanging times
- Reiterated we are in very capable hands with Charlie Wentzky taking on the role of Commissioner of Basketball
- Important we follow guidelines and continue to educate ourselves
- Important the student athletes have an opportunity to represent their respective schools in competition and work towards a state championship
- Athletic Directors, coaches, officials, players, fans will need to practice safety first and foremost and be accommodating to change

XI. FOCUS GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

The Directors reviewed and discussed the 10 recommendations from the SCBOA Focus Group. (Refer to Focus Group PowerPoint presentation distributed and discussed in the SCBOA Business meeting 11/10/19 with the SCBOA membership)

The following 2 items were voted on and agreed to move forward by the Directors.

- State Exam
 - SCHSL Exam used for ratings purposes should be used for current ratings calculations instead of being used the next season.

Action Item: The SCBOA membership will need to discuss and vote on this recommendation. Paul and Richie to discuss getting the information disseminated to the membership for voting purposes. This would be in effect with the 21-20 season. The 20-21 season ratings will use the exam score from the 2019 SCHSL Exam.

- Peer Evaluations
 - Currently the Peer Evaluations are based on a 1 – 10 scale and requires a comment for any ratings 7 and below.
 - The Focus Group committee recommended changes to the Peer Evaluations are:
 - The top 2 and bottom 2 of all submitted ratings should be discarded as was the previous practice prior to Arbitrator.
 - Peer ratings should **NOT** require a signature
 - It should be a requirement that partner ratings for an assignment must be submitted within 7 days of the contest. Failure to do so should result in a deduction of one-tenth of a point for each evaluation not entered.
 - The Peer Category Definitions should be changed as follows:
 - Peer rating category ratings scale should be on a scale of 1 to 5
 - Exceptional 5
 - Above Average 4
 - Average 3
 - Below Average 2
 - Unacceptable 1 Requires comment

Action Item: The SCBOA Bylaws and Constitution will need to be reviewed to determine the next steps in making this change. Paul Behr and the Constitution Committee will review and provide an update in the next scheduled SCBOA Directors meeting.

XII & XIII. WHAT CAN WE EXPECT FOR 2020-2021-2022 \PLANNING FOR EXPECTED SCENARIOS?

David Fauth lead this discussion on the following topics

- SCBOA Business Meeting - Since most likely we will not be able to meet face to face in November, Directors agreed we will forgo the annual SCBOA Business Meeting, After further discussion, Directors indicated we will discuss opting for a common presentation to be prepared which can be reviewed by each individual local Director with their respective membership. Additional details to be discussed in the next scheduled Directors meeting.

Action Item: The SCBOA Directors to discuss the common SCBOA Business Meeting presentation of information in the September 2020 meeting. The presentation will be reviewed with their respective membership.

- SCBOA Exam (rating purposes) - The Directors discussed and agreed for the 2020-21 season the 2019 SCHSL Exam score will be used for rating purposes. For the 21-22 season the SCHSL Exam score will be used. There was additional discussion regarding the possibility of combining the SCBOA Exam score from 2020 and 2021 to take the average. This discussion was tabled.
- How many officials will officiate this season? Directors at the local level will discuss with their local membership to determine how many officials will opt out this season due to COVID-19.
- Electronic whistle – The use of the Electronic whistle is permissible. Some officials had already been utilizing the electronic whistle in basketball and other sports prior to COVID-19.
- Safety precautions being put in place in schools for athletic events - The planning for this topic is still in discussion. The schools will leverage similar plans they have for fall sports. This topic will continue to be discussed.
- Officials Room - Discussion was held regarding how the official's room will be sanitized and maintained. Other items of discussion included if the room will have a sink to wash hands, ensure no one is coming in and out, hand sanitizer etc.

XV. REGISTRATION FOR NON-VARSITY OFFICIALS

Directors discussed having a separate registration for non-varsity officials. Based on the discussion and potential for conflict, the Directors agreed not to pursue making a change to the registration at this time.

Motion was made to adjourn made by Jerome Hall at 2:24 pm. Second by Darrell Warren.

Next scheduled meeting will be held **September 15,2020 via ZOOM. 7 pm start time**