



1st – General Association Meeting

Wednesday, October 18th, 2017 at 7:00 pm

Minutes

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Chapter Vice President, Mr. Hector Cardoza. The meeting took place at the Brownsville Public Library Main Branch. Mr. Cardoza welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed members that Chapter President was absent and that Secretary was running late due to personal reasons. Mr. Cardoza gave a warm welcome to our new members and introduced the Board.
- II. **Secretary Report** – Ms. Roxanne Barrientos was running late so Mr. Raul Cano gave her report. Agenda was placed on the screen for viewing. Mr. Cano mentioned that Agendas and Minutes will be posted on website before every meeting. He also mentioned dates of meetings are already posted on website.
- III. **Treasurer's Report** - Mr. Julio Rodriguez reported that we are doing well with a balance of \$3,760.12, not including members paying at today's meeting. He will have an updated report at our next meeting. He mentioned that the Chapter will raffle 6 Pro Shirts on **Dec. 6** with members in good standing only (pass exam with 80, done online clinic, paid all dues – local and assignor). He also mentioned that Breakfast and Lunch will be provided by the Chapter during the BISD Tournament. He proposed to acknowledge members with an incentive (t-shirt, plaque, etc...) for those officials in our Chapter that have been with us for a specific period of years. The Board reminded the members that the money doesn't belong to the Board, but to the members; if the members have any other ideas to use the money to please email the Board. Finally, he reminded everyone that they could start paying their fees at the end of the meeting.
- IV. **Assignor's Report** – Mr. Raul Cano reminded everyone on the requirements to get games: **Pay all fees** - TASO, Local, Assignor Fees, **TASO** - Pass Exam with 80 & Complete Online Videos, & have **2 NEW PRO REF SHIRTS** (Blue & Green long sleeve). Mr. Cano mentioned that we will continue to use Arbiter to assign games. He also mentioned that Middle School games will begin December 9. Finally, he went over the website: www.bosasoccer.weebly.com, showing all updates.
- V. **Vice President's Report** – Mr. Cardoza spoke about how this year we are having a Recruitment Fee available, meaning that an official will get \$5 credited to their Local fees for every new official they bring on board (new member has to pay all fees in order to get credit). Mr. Cardoza also mentioned that this year officials will get \$3 credited to their Local fees for every scrimmage game that they do. Finally, Mr. Cardoza mentioned that the Board selected Mr. Jesus Moya & Mr. Ciro Fuentes as trainers for our Chapter, but if anyone else is interested in providing training, they can email the Board. Trainers will get paid \$35 per training session.
- VI. **President's Report** – since Mr. Michel Folacci was absent, our Vice President gave the report. Mr. Cardoza mentioned that this year's Local fees will be \$50 and that a late fee will apply only to **returning** members after Dec. 20 (\$55). Mr. Cardoza also mentioned that this year's Assignor fee will be per game as follow: Center Referee or Dual \$3 / Assistant Referee \$2. All officials must start with a balance of \$40 and must maintain a positive balance at all times. Mr. Cano followed up by saying that this year we are going to have 3 Assignors – M.S., J.V., and Varsity. Mr. Cano mentioned if anyone is interested in becoming an Assignor, to email the Board. Finally, Mr. Cardoza mentioned that we are revising our By Laws and that we wanted to form a By Laws Committee. The floor was open

to anyone that wanted to be part of this Committee – Mr. Edgar Sosa & Ms. Tiffany Hernandez raised their hands to be part of this Committee.

- VII. **Floor** – Mr. Cardoza & Mr. Rodriguez briefly went over the scrimmage sheet that will be use this year. Members asked if this year we will do the High School Tournaments not sanctioned by UIL (under paid) - Mr. Cano responded by telling the members that once they get that invitation, the Board will bring it up to a meeting for vote, before making any decisions. Finally, a member asked if officials in San Antonio or Houston get paid more than officials in Brownsville, and the Board told them that all TASO officials get paid the same.
- VIII. **Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.