Meeting Minutes for 8/28/2017

Meeting started at 6:03/adjourned at 7:08

60 members attended meeting at Hunter’s Lane High School

Coz- Please keep your schedules updated and thanks for getting the games covered. Make sure you keep in contact with the coaches prior to the match especially with weather coming in. The coaches contact list can be found at mtsoasoccer.com with the password as mtsoa08.

Tony- Ending balance is $2,157.21 with expenditures at $100 for the month.

\*\*\*After the meeting, the board of control unanimously voted, via e-mail conversation, on a payment scale for an upgrade to the mtsoasoccer website. The new pay scale for the upgrade will be $0.99/month or $11.88 for the first year paid in advance with year two being $4.99/month. Current package is $11.99/month, year 1 addition will equal $12.98/month and 12 months from now will be $17.98/month.

Tim- Please continue to file game reports no later than 24 hours after the match. Any game assigned through arbiter for MTSOA should have a game report. If your game is cancelled due to weather please enter the score as 0/0 and in the comments section write the appropriate report. Please see Coz’s e-mails from earlier about payment scale with rain out matches.

Marco- Went over the new rules and a season guide was distributed.

* Kick off- can now go any direction
* Headgear- please see rule 4-2-1, 4-2-0 pages 28-29 respectfully
* Ref socks- please see rule 5-1-3c on page 31 (please match either 3 stripe or 2 stripe socks)
* Visible apparel- please see rule 4-1-1d on page 23
* Mid air collision photo page 7 of the season guide was submitted by Al Baer.
* State online rule Meeting. Open & complete ASAP on your arbiter account
* Mercy rule – \* The TSSAA board of control has adopted a mercy rule beginning with the 2017–2018 school year.   
  After a five-goal differential has been reached, the clock shall run continuously except for heat time out and injuries. If a nine-goal differential has been reached by half time or at any time during the second half, the game shall be terminated.
* Lightning review – NFHS rules page 108 and see Things to Remember at bottom
* TSSAA pay increases for the coming years: 2018/2019 seasons $75 two man, $75,$65,$65 three.

2020/2021 $80 two man, $80,$70, $70 three.

**Things to remember about thunder and lightning**

**What is thunder?**

Thunder is caused by lightning. When a lightning bolt travels from the cloud to the ground it actually opens up a little hole in the air, called a channel. Once then light is gone the air collapses back in and creates a sound wave that we hear as thunder. The reason we see lightning before we hear thunder is because light travels faster than sound!

**How far away can you see lightning and hear thunder?**

Within distant thunderstorms, the lightning bolts can be seen as much as 100 miles from us, depending on the height of the bolt, the clarity of the air, and our elevation. Thunder, in comparison, has a much shorter range of detection - usually less than 15 miles in a quiet rural setting and under 5 miles in a noisy city environment.

**Can you tell how far away a storm is?**

Yes, you can use thunder to tell how far away a storm is. Next time you see a storm, count the number of seconds between when you see the lightning and hear the thunder. Take the number of seconds and divide by 5 and that will tell you how far away the storm is in miles. For example: If you counted 10 seconds between the lightning and the thunder, the lightning is 2 miles away!

**Heat Lightning**

The term heat lightning is commonly used to describe lightning from a distant thunderstorm just too far away to see the actual cloud-to-ground flash or to hear the accompanying thunder.

While many people incorrectly think that heat lightning is a specific type of lightning, it is simply the light produced by a distant thunderstorm.

Often, mountains, hills, trees or just the curvature of the earth prevent the observer from seeing the actual lightning flash. Instead, the faint flash seen by the observer is light being reflected off higher-level clouds. Also, the sound of thunder can only be heard for about 10 miles from a flash.