MTSOA Meeting minutes for 8-19-2019

55 referees attended the meeting

**Marco**-- new business: Went over new rule changes and points of emphasis for 2019-2020 school year. If you haven’t already, please log into arbiter and take the online rules meeting from TSSAA. You are required to attend a rules meeting every 2 years by TSSAA. They alternate between in person and online and this year’s is online.

Points of emphasis: if a card is given you must tell the coaches what the card is for. A simple, card is for dissent, standing between both coaches, will suffice, it shouldn’t be a discussion.

The only time the clock stops during a 5 goal mercy rule is during injuries and water breaks.

**Coz**—Please keep you schedules up to date. Please upload a professional looking picture/head shot to arbiter, coaches like knowing what you look like. Also, you can find the new coaches list uploaded to mtsoasoccer.com. The username, if prompted is mtsoa and password is mtsoa08.

Make sure the lead official, the center ref or the one listed first, e-mails the coach 24 hours in advance to let them know who the crew is and to confirm times and location. This will also give them a point of contact if there are any changes, i.e. weather or traffic issues.

**Tim**—Arrived late to the meeting and report was given at the end. Please keep up with the game reports. If you download the arbiter app, it is free, you can do the report from the app and text your entire crew easily. Also Andy Moss will be showing me how to upload everything to the website so bear with me during this transition once I’m able to meet with him I’ll let you know.

Attendance records start over at the beginning of the school year, per TSSAA you must attend 3 local chapter meetings to be in good standing.

**Tony**—Current balance: $2586.19

Expenditures since last report:  $1929.94,

$65.95 website hosting.

$1,817 referee assessment fees.  (4 assessors, 92 different referees, 140+ games)

Pending: $103.94 Executive Committee preseason planning meeting at Chef's Market.

New members who have never been a MTSOA member owes 1/2 of the $35 annual dues.  Please pay $17:50 to MTSOA.  Mail to; MTSOA c/o Tony Sheets, 102 Redondo Ct S

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 **Al**- Our state tournament officials for the Spring were:

Lucy Bell
Matt Bell
Ricardo Hernandez
Jodi Hitchell
Jack Starr
James Sherer
Phil Newman
Tim Stewart

4/5 final games included teams in our area so we were represented in the Greenville vs Sevier County game with Jack Starr as the center, Jodi Hitchell and Phil Newman as the ARs, and Lucy Bell as the 4th official.

Also please review the conflict of interest policy which can be found on the mtsoasoccer.com website. If you have any questions, please ask. He gave an example where a referee’s son is teaching at a school and even though he is not coaching, it is best that he mark that school as a conflict and not ref any of their games, home or away.

The remaining meeting dates are
9/16, 10/21, 11/4 all meetings are at Hunters Lane and start at 6:00. If anything changes, I will let you know.