

MTSOA Meeting minutes for October 10, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:38

55 referees attended the meeting

Treasurer's Report - Tony—Current balance: \$6193.28

Additions since last report:

None

Expenditures since last report:

None

Tim - Coz and Marco will be covering tips for the Dual system of refereeing. Jess sent out the proposed change to MTSOA by-laws in an email, and during this meeting, Tony will read an amendment to the By-Laws to review during this meeting before we vote on the change in November.

Tony - basics of the proposed changes are that terms for the President, Secretary, and Treasurer change from 2 years to 4 years and denotes the years for elections. These are the current by-laws and proposed changes:

Current by-laws:

Section 6 - Term of Office:

(a) The term of office will be two years, beginning January 1st after election and terminating December 31 except for the Association Assignor whose term will be 4 years;

(b) There is no limit on the number of consecutive terms a member may serve; (c) Elections will occur each year as follows:

i. The Association Assignor (when 4 year term has expired) and the Secretary will be elected in even number years;

ii. The President and Treasurer will be elected in odd numbered years;

iii. Appointed members will serve a term concurrent with the term of the President

Proposed Amendment to the by-laws:

Section 6 - Term of Office:

(a) The term of office will be **four years**, beginning January 1st after election and terminating December 31; *(this part in parenthesis deleted -- except for the Association Assignor whose term will be 4 years --)*

(b) There is no limit on the number of consecutive terms a member may serve;

(c) Elections will occur each year as follows: i. The Association Assignor and the Secretary will be elected in **the November prior to the World Cup years**;

ii. The President and Treasurer will be elected in **the November prior to the Summer Olympic years**

iii. Appointed members will serve a term concurrent with the term of the President

iv. Temporary changes to "World Cup" or "Olympic" schedules shall not affect MTSOA terms of office.

Tim - Changes to the by-laws have been desired to align the President, Treasure and Secretary terms to those of the assignor. Special elections will still be held when needed if an officer needs to be replaced. This is just a reading during this meeting and any objections or answer any questions before we vote on this amendment in November will be taken. We are waiting on a response from Hunter's Lane to see if we can have an in-person meeting for the meeting and vote.

Marco - Changes to elections every other year will help to simplify the process of electing officers.

Tim - Now is a convenient time as this November, the Secretary and Assignor elections are scheduled per the current by-laws. Next year's election of President and Treasurer will be elected to a 3 year term. This is just a reading - members are encouraged to ask any questions or voice concerns.

Marco - Review and Guidance of the 2-man Referee System

Main Points:

Importance of Pre-Game - get on the same page

Trail referee signals kickoff and most restarts

Fouls - sometimes beneficial to echo whistles

Eye Contact

Run similarly to AR on 3-man - to get offsides, but when trailing, move in and further when you can

Push as far as you are comfortable to get closet to play

Please feel free to reach out for questions about 2-man systems to fellow referees, mentors and board members

Tim - In the 2-man system work as a team. Adjust your reading of the game and find ways to cover as much of the field as possible.

Mark Reeves has only requested 3 referees from each association for this fall's State Tournament.

Thanks for all the good work this season. Review overtime and kicks from the mark procedures before playoff games. Any rostered player can be used for kicks from the mark, and rosters can be penciled in. Kickers - first 5, different 5, then reset and repeat - it doesn't need to stay the same order - the 11th kicker can be the 10th kicker.

Thanks to Chuck and Wayne for assessing and mentoring referees. Members have also been proactive in guiding and giving feedback about newer referees.

Coz - Thanks to all referees. Playoffs this week along with middle school. 30 - 40 officials are needed for High School sectionals the week of Oct. 23. Please make sure blocks are current and be available.

Middle school games going on through November. Please be available and remember 30 minute halves.

Tim - Thanks again to our assessors. Please remember that they are there to help and approach all assessments with an open mind.

Make sure you know where the Game Administrator is during your games for assistance during the game and when leaving. If there are incidents, please report with unusual incident report.

Marco - Thanks to all during this Season. Please email nominations for Secretary and Assignor to Tim Stewart and cc: a different board member for redundancy.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39

Link to video recording: <https://vimeo.com/629068198>