

MTSOA Online Meeting Minutes - 6:30 PM April 7, 2024

Board Members in attendance:

Tim Stewart - President
Coz Minutos - Assigner
Marco Lee - Supervisor
Tony Sheets - Treasurer

Meeting was called to order at 6:34

Tony Sheets:

Encouraged members not receiving notifications to check with arbiter to check spam settings to allow emails from Arbiter to not be marked as Spam.

Tim Stewart:

Welcomed members to the meeting

Tony Sheets: Treasurer Report

Current Balance: 4983.88

Will update everyone for current dues on website. Another message coming to members if dues are outstanding.

There are several members who have not paid dues, please pay promptly.

Marco:

Thanks to everyone for taking care of abuse and language. If students can't say it to a teacher or school administrator, they can not say it to opponents or officials. Fill out a unusual occurrence report for pre-season games, they are the same as regular season other than not needing to report red cards. Mercy rule and injuries need to be reported. Please fill out information on regular game notes or enter "no issues" or similar for all games. First listed needs to fill out the game notes.

u - players should not play with shinguards that are not within NFHS regulations.

Please leave after games promptly, do not linger. TSSAA wants referees to leave the property immediately after the game.

If an official hears something, it is a problem. Referees should take care of any issues with fans, coaches and players with the game administrator.

Coz Minutes:

Thanks to all officials for flexibility with game changes. Referees should reach out to coaches before matches to accommodate changes.

Thanks for reports on ejections and language. Keep decisions within the TSSAA guidelines.

District matches are coming, feel free to call the games tighter at the beginning to keep the games under control

Playoffs start in the second week of May. Keep calendars updated to help with scheduling.

Tim Stewart:

The Shinguard issue is beginning to become more prevalent. Look for more clarification coming from NFHS and TSSAA.

Marco:
TSSAA will be discussing more guidance on shinguards.

Tim Stewart:
NFHS has rules standing for Age and Size appropriate shinguards.

Racial and abusive language is being handled well by officials, keep it up.

Tim reviewed guidance on how to write a game report. Make sure when writing a report make sure MTSOA group is selected. Fill out score and use the comments section to enter game details. Please review video starting at 28:00.

Important notes:
Use the NFHS terminology.
Check the box for Unusual Situation Form checkbox so the assigner knows the report has been posted.
Copy and paste what you put in the Arbiter report to the unusual occurrence form to TSSAA.
Do not censor any language used - use the exact language.

Conflict of Interest:
From the MTSOA website under the news tab, the MTSOA policy is stated. Officials are not permitted to referee matches from either boys or girls season if the officials or any of their family member works or attends a school in the district.

Handball rules reviewed:
In determining handling/handball - below the armpit is considered the the arm/hand. Goals may not be scored directly from a non-deliberate handling or directly after the ball is un-deliberately handled by the scorer. Videos are presented on the recording to assist in assessing expected decisions for handling. Review meeting video around 46:00.

Officials should keep calendars up to date with district games upcoming and schedule getting tight.

Use the game administrators to handle issues with fans.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42

Attachments:

Link to video of the meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/EgsQDt59mAXacVa3ii6RimZMk4TulABBjjfhidQsn5k36kGDkfk4tbqiQM6Zt1Cs.tv3S039FFKrwTvKK>

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