

Minutes

District VIII Meeting

July 17,2008

Ed Thompson, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30PM

* Ed Thompson introduced guest speaker, Cassie Dimmick, Wellness Instructor, who spoke on :

-Hydration

-Nutrition

-Stretching Basics

Three handouts given out to membership on above subjects and questions answered

*Tommy Moore , Executive Secretary:

-Chapter given overview of how the " coaches picks "will be conducted

-Advised membership on the requirements with respect to the State Football Test

*Score of 70 needed to pass

*Test must be taken "on line "

*Every wednesday test will be changed

*If passing grade not achieved, you may retake test the following wednesday

*Passing grade required in order to officiate varsity games

*Any member who officiates varsity game without having passed the test will be suspended for the 2008 season and will result in the Executive Secretary also being suspended by the State Office

*Cut off date for completing test is,Sunday, August 31,2008

Mark Ideus, Financial Report :

*Check Book balance as of July 13,2008 : \$52,033.90

*Scholarship Fund balance as of July 13,2008 : \$6,148.64

*Advised membership that the chapter is in solid financial shape

Ed Thompson addressed the issue concerning the use of shorts for sub-varsity games. Reminded membership that according to TASO guidelines shorts can only be worn if all officials agree to wear them. That if one official wants to wear knickers all must wear knickers. Demonstration given showing the acceptable style of shorts that will be worn. J.J. Johnson then requested to be heard, then made motion for vote of the membership to disallow the wearing of shorts during sub-varsity games. The motion was 2nd by Mike Price and discussion followed. Vote was then taken by membership and by a vote of 160 to 101 shorts was disallowed during sub-varsity games.

Beau Miller, District VIII Rep.:

*Officials are to continue to file incident reports if problems occur during games

*Sidelines are to be kept " clear" of coaches / players and membership reminded about automatic five yard penalty.

- *All coaches and officials must see COPE film
- *Pay issue concerning attendance at varsity games still being addressed. If attendance issue arise during 2008 season all complaints with school districts must go through Tommy Moore.
- * TASO has approved a seven man mechanics book
- * TASO football division in good financial shape. As a result each official will receive a \$10.00 rebate check.
- * Each chapter in the State will be given ten \$40.00 scholarships to be used for retention of new officials
- *Officials will not be subject to background checks because " we are highly supervised "

Tommy Moore:

- *If any chapter members receive " conflict of interest " forms from any school district they are to forward them to Tommy Moore
- *Reminded membership about TASO form concerning prior arrests by any chapter member must be turned in by July 31,2008 in order to be eligible for the appeal process.

Adjournment : 8:11PM

Recording Secretary : Robert Rosales