

Columbia Soccer Referee Association

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Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month at St. Paul Lutheran Church located at 1309 Franklin, downstairs on the building's SE corner. Instruction will begin at 7:30 p.m. For continuing education requirements, if you plan to attend the meeting or other referee training, register beforehand on the [WASRC website](http://www.wasrc.org) and then be sure to **initial** the meeting sign in sheet confirming attendance.

Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2009

Clinic #2751

The Columbia Soccer Referee Association (CSRA) monthly meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by **James Smith**. Twenty-five officials were in attendance. The previous meeting's minutes were accepted as written.

STUPID REFEREE TRICKS

James Smith said to blow your whistle when taking Kicks from the Penalty Mark. A recent cup match protest was upheld because the referee sometimes signaled and did not whistle each time -- be consistent.

If a goal is scored there is still time on the clock and you need to have a kick off to end the match properly.

INSTRUCTION

Fred Parrish provided "outside instruction" on *Risk and Flow* from a recent Pro Clinic. Player safety is the primary concern of officiating. When you let the game flow it results in fewer stoppages; makes a more enjoyable match for players and spectators; and players stretch limits and increase game intensity. When you allow more risks then you decrease game control. Calls send a message and the more control needed the less risk you can take.

When take risks? That depends on where you are on the field, point of the game, which player (thug versus skilled player), holding mid-fielder can allow, how many risks already allowed, where facing (vantage point) – use whistle timing to gauge your risk (slow whistle). Hard-against-a-soft is always deemed misconduct. Do not allow 100 percent misconducts.

REPORTS

VP of Assessments **Fred Parrish** did 5 assessments.

VP of Instruction **Larry Pitt** said there will be a Big Training Weekend in Beaverton on May 16-17. Upcoming entry level referee classes can be found on the www.oregonreferee.com website.

Treasurer **Gene Chase** was absent but provided a current bank balance of \$3,475.73.

VP Youth Referees, **Christopher McKinnon** did not give a report.

WOA Secretary **Rick Stover** said the high school boy's season finished with 150 yellow cards and 15 ejections. The numbers are down from last year. Lucas Brooks will be the WIAA CSRA rep for the tournament. There will be WIAA conferences July 26-28 in Arizona and August 7-8 in Yakima.

Youth/Adult Referee Assignor **Drew Brooks** said the annual *Clash at the Border* tournament will be the last weekend in June. The women's league games are all covered. Additional tournaments are on www.oregonsoccercentral.com.

OA/NFHS Assignor **Jill Derry** has taken care of playoff assignments.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

You have 24-hours before CSRA meetings to register so that attendance will count as ongoing instruction. June, August, and September are now on the www.wasrc.org website. As is custom, there will be no meeting in July.

Phil Lucas will be in Kenya during August and is seeking donations of used soccer gear to take with him. Items should be clean and in good repair.

OLD BUSINESS

None presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Fred Parrish received the William Scofield Memorial Award. Additional information on the award can be found in the back of the USSF *Referee Administrative Handbook*. The honor is given to officials who face a serious injury or illness and are able to make a comeback. **Jeremy Hanson** has been chosen Washington state's Adult Referee of the Year.

A State Referee Summit has deemed that referee organizations will need to incorporate as the boards could otherwise liable for frivolous lawsuits. Being incorporated as a non-profit 501(c)3 organization will allow for director's insurance. As a result dues will need to go up slightly. Federal

Law says that we cannot pay anyone under 14 years old, but Washington state exempts USSF certified referees from this restriction.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Recorded and submitted by: **De Stickel**, CSRA Secretary.