

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

November 9, 2009

Clinic #2869

The Columbia Soccer Referee Association (CSRA) monthly meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by CSRA President **James Smith**. The previous meeting's minutes were approved as written by the 24 officials in attendance.

INSTRUCTION

VP of Instruction, Larry Pitt provided instruction by showing a film on player management. Key points included keeping a positive and respectful attitude, knowing the game and being consistent. Exhibit good communication and be confident, compassionate, and humble. The game is all about the players. Know the Laws but also teach the game. Get the call right by understanding foul recognition. Be polite, pleasant, approachable, and listen to players.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

There was an incident during a high school playoff game where the referee sent off the goalkeeper and asked the captain to select a player to come off. The match was inadvertently restarted with all 11 players and continued for a couple minutes until the opposing coach brought this to the attention of the referee. James admitted he was the center and that the whole crew had messed up.

REPORTS

VP of Assessments Fred Parrish said he has been doing assessments. He is willing to schedule a fitness test for grades 7 and above and wanted everyone to know he will be out of town Thanksgiving weekend.

Treasurer Gene Chase provided a current bank balance of \$4,819.24. There are outstanding expenses of \$800 to WOA, \$300 to Arbiter, a December check to St. Paul's and payment to the webmaster.

WOA/NFHS Assignor Jill Derry said the high school season is done though there are two playoff games remaining. She thanked everyone for doing an awesome job. Jill also said to *expect the unexpected*. She was doing a Stevenson AR and a German exchange student came to the touchline and asked for her sandwich. After taking a bite have her she tucked it into her shorts and resumed play. Jill asked the coach to bring the sandwich back to the sideline. There was also a thank you to Jill from James for getting the right crews on last week's games.

Youth/Adult Referee Assignor Drew Brooks is using Arbiter exclusively while Jill is still transitioning. James reported that Arbiter does some neat things and sees it as a positive resource.

Youth Referees, Christopher McKinnon had nothing to report.

WOA Secretary Rick Stover made no report.

LEAGUE REPORTS, OLD BUSINESS

No league reports or old business reported.

NEW BUSINESS

Earl Salvey will receive a \$25 Starbucks gift card as thank you for his October presentation on tax liabilities.

James mentioned that the bylaws update will be e-mailed to the membership before November 15 in order to meet the 30 days notice requirement. December is the association's AGM and all officers have agreed to serve again though nominations for all officer positions are encouraged.

When it comes to game fees, others in the state are using a three-tier system while CSRA uses a two-tier. James will talk to Roberto about aligning with statewide practices. He has already spoken with the clubs and they agree. James will then work with the state and compile a fees list.

SOS would prefer standard rates as opposed to higher ref grades getting a different fee. Contracts with the clubs were not signed last year so will be aligned with the fee schedule at that time.

There being no further action before the organization, the meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

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