

San Angelo Football Officials' Association
Monday, April 2, 2007
Board Meeting Minutes – Approved May 7, 2007

Board Members Present: Oscar Martinez, Bradley Petty, Greg Swindle, Miller Walker, and Scott Westmoreland.

Board Members Absent: Doug Kirkham

Guests Present: Eddie Long, Randy Minton, and Cary Tomerlin.

Mr. Walker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the ASU Center for Human Performance Conference Room.

The agenda was distributed and reviewed.

The minutes of the previous meeting were distributed and review. There were no revisions. Mr. Walker indicated that the minutes stand approved as written.

There were no committee reports.

New Business:

Game Contracts

- Mr. Petty reported that he was informed at the President's and Secretary's Meeting that the UIL will utilize the 2007 NCAA Rulebook to govern high school football games in 2007. He will work with Mr. Swindle to update the contract with new rules or policies and send them to the coaches and administrators. Mr. Swindle suggested that we send the contracts to the schools before the end of the high school academic year. Mr. Swindle stated that last year, we sent the contract in the Fall which did not give the enough time to adequately review the document. Also, some schools indicated they did not receive a contract, which delayed their signing. (OPEN)
- At the previous meeting, Mr. Kirkham notified the board of the fact that at San Angelo Independent School District games paid the time keeper the same amount as the officials. Mr. Swindle informed the board that the timer was paid \$15.00 per game for San Angelo Independent School District games. No Board Member could recall increasing this fee in the past. A \$15.00 fee will continue to be paid for the timer in the future. (CLOSED)

Requesting Film from Previous Games

- Dr. Westmoreland inquired about the possibility of receiving old game film to review for educational purposes. Mr. Swindle informed the board that the request for game film must come from the President and/or Secretary. He stated that the coaches might be curious for the reason the film was requested. We would need to indicate the date of the game and the purpose of the request.

Honorary or Life-Time Memberships

- Mr. Walker informed the board that the TASO office requested a list of Honorary Members from our chapter to be archived at the state office. He stated that there were

two types of Honorary Members: State Appointed Honorary Members and Local Honorary Members. In order to be selected as a State Appointed Honorary Member, the local chapter must complete an application that is sent to the state office. Members nominated must have been a TASO Football State Officer or have served at the District level. The state then reviews the applications and select members that are officially recognized at the State Meeting. The Local Honorary Members are voted on at the local level. If the applicant meets the criteria of the local by-laws, they will receive the award and be recognition at the awards banquet. Several names were given for potential award recipients at the local level (Jack Leiber, Bill Flint, Dub Izzard, Red Aiken, Jim Beam, Buddy White, and Morgan Riley). The potential recipients would be voted on during the board elections and then reported to TASO. The State Office would like a list of both local and state recipients (OPEN).

By-Laws Review

- Mr. Walker informed the board that the by-laws should be reviewed, revised, and submitted to the membership for a vote this year. Several areas of the by-laws are outdated and should reflect current practices. Mr. Walker distributed copies of the current by-laws and asked the board to provide feedback. The changes would be brought to the board for a vote, and then taken to the membership for final approval (OPEN).

Website Update

- Mr. Petty informed the board that an evaluation link was added to the website. This link would enable Athletic Director, Coaches, and/or fellow officials a means to provide feedback about officials' performance during a particular game. By doing this, all evaluations provided would be in writing. Also, it would provide time for the evaluator to provide positive and constructive feedback. This information would go directly to the Secretary, which could be used in future game assignments and educational feedback for the officials. The Secretary would provide the evaluations to the board if requested.
- Mr. Petty informed the board that he created a "Board Minutes" link to the website. Once approved by the board, the minutes of the board meeting would be posted for the membership to review. Also, any special meeting minutes would be posted as well.

Game Assignment Policy

- Mr. Petty distributed an excel spreadsheet indicating the board's vote regarding officials selected to officiate at each level. The board reviewed the list and provided input regarding officials that potentially could officiate each level of game.
- Mr. Petty informed the board that the 4A-5A Crew Chief selections were submitted to Lake View and Central for their non-district and district home games.

New Member Update

- Mr. Petty reported the current status of the following members:
 - Tracy Braziel – Submitted End of Year Summary
 - Bob Carles – Will not be calling in 2007
 - Danny Dubois – Will not call in 2007; Will return 2008
 - Clay Garmon – Will not be calling in 2007; Coaching job
 - Jack Hood – Possibly not calling
 - Robert Londerholm – Will not be calling in 2007; School work
 - Jarrod Marks – Transferring to Rio Grande Area

- Jam Page – Submitted End of Year Summary
- Michael Purcell – Submitted dues and End of Year Summary
- David Salinas – Transferring to Corpus Christi
- John Sullivan – Submitted End of Year Summary

Possible TASO Sanctions against San Angelo Football Chapter

- Mr. Walker informed the board that Mr. Petty and he received information at the President's and Secretary's Meeting from Mr. Dan McGlasson (TASO Football District II Director) and Mr. Michael Fitch (TASO Football Immediate Past President) regarding possible TASO sanctions against the San Angelo Football Officials' Association for violation of TASO policies. Mr. Walker stated that during the lunch break at the meeting, Mr. Dan McGlasson informed Mr. Miller Walker and Mr. Bradley Petty that the TASO Football Board was going to "sanction the San Angelo Football Chapter so that they would not be allowed to officiate any play-off games during the 2007 football season because we did not follow the guidelines requested by the Board." TASO requested that the Secretary submit a play-off list at the conclusion of the 2006 Football season outlining all play-off assignments our chapter received. Mr. Michael Fitch indicated to Mr. Miller Walker and Mr. Bradley Petty that Mr. Dan McGlasson "stuck up for San Angelo" in the Board Meeting. Mr. Michael Fitch also stated that TASO contacted the Secretary "numerous times" requesting the required paperwork. TASO did not receive the required paperwork from the Secretary. Since the San Angelo Chapter refused to comply with the requests of TASO, the TASO Board suggested sanctions. Mr. Dan McGlasson told the Board that he would investigate this issue with the San Angelo Chapter Officers because recently the San Angelo Chapter has been prompt with each request he has made. Mr. Miller Walker informed Mr. Dan McGlasson that this has been a continuing problem that our local board has addressed, and that this will not be an issue in the future. Mr. Bradley Petty informed Mr. Dan McGlasson that he would submit this form to TASO if they still request it. Mr. Dan McGlasson replied that it would not be necessary to submit the form late, but just make sure it is taken care of in the future. Due to this issue, TASO has changed their guidelines to include the President and Secretary on all correspondence to the local chapters. Mr. Walker also informed the board of several other recent events regarding the 2006 6-Man All-Star Football game, District 16-4A game assignments, and violations of the past Secretary communicating with coaches. A statement of accusations was brought to the board regarding ethics violations by Mr. Bill Hollis. In light of these recent events, Mr. Walker requested a recommendation from the board regarding this issue. The board unanimously approved that an Ethics Committee be created to investigate these events. According to the by-laws, a five member committee will be created with the Chair of the Ethics Committee serving has a current board member other than an officer. A member will be selected from each of the five divisions. Mr. Walker appointed Dr. Scott Westmoreland (Chair, Division III), Mr. Randy Minton (Division I), Mr. Jacob Blair (Division II), Mr. Dan Robertson (Division IV), and Mr. Shannon Scott (Division V). The board unanimously approved the members of the Ethics Committee. The committee will investigate the charges brought against Mr. Bill Hollis and will report their findings to the board at the May 7, 2007, board meeting. The committee will also recommend to the board a penalty that is appropriate if any. Mr. Walker assured that the chapter by-laws would be followed throughout the process.

Additional Comments

- Mr. Swindle provided the 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 financial statements to the board. He asked that the board review the statements and prepare questions regarding the statements for the next board meeting. Mr. Swindle reported that he contacted San Angelo National Bank regarding the chapter finances. The bank told Mr. Swindle that the chapter account was being charged a \$1.00 service fee per month. Mr. Swindle asked the bank to set-up an account where the fee would not be assessed. The bank notified Mr. Swindle that they would transfer the money to another account that would be free of monthly charges. Also, the bank noted that the chapter account was one of the oldest accounts that is currently active. The account was opened on September 8, 1955.
- Mr. Petty inquired about the football chapter telephone number used for the Secretary. Mr. Swindle stated that in the past a telephone number was provided for the Secretary to use for scheduling purposes. Currently, the chapter paid for the Secretary's cell phone bill when used for chapter purposes. Mr. Swindle informed Mr. Petty to submit the bills at the conclusion of the season, and the chapter would reimburse him for the costs.

Mr. Martinez moved to adjourn. Mr. Swindle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bradley Petty
SAFOA Secretary