

San Angelo Football Officials' Association
TASO President's and Secretary's Meeting Minutes
February 5 – 6, 2010
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Dallas, Texas

Members President: Bud Alexander (TASO Interim Executive Director), Bill Fecci (TASO Football Immediate Past President), Jeff O'Connor (TASO Football Vice President), District Directors, and Presidents and Secretaries from all TASO Football Chapters

The State meeting is July 16, 2010, in Arlington! Fort Worth & Dallas are suppose to assist TASO. Abilene's Clinic will be the next week-end.

The video instruction will be done by the Huddle. They will try and get plays off the big cities TV game of the week and from coaches! We didn't stay for the demonstration, but this might be real good for education! They are suppose to use the Huddle for our break-out meetings @ State!

Several suggestions were sent in for free kick mechanics (mostly allowing the BJ to handle ball) but they didn't take action on any mechanic changes except to say we could go to on-side mechanics all of the time or use one for one team and the other for a team that pooched all of the time!

A straw vote was taken to see how people felt about getting out of TASO and forming our on organization (Bud reminded us SOA is still alive). This was not a vote that counted, only a vote to investigate how much it would cost and what all would need to be done (tax status, letter head change, language of the TASO By-Laws to see that process).

They did say we were to give the number of time outs LEFT when ever relaying information to fellow Officials or / and Coaches! Wings are to use the PUNCH OUT signal to indicate a BACKWARD PASS. They said the Official on the side-line the pass is being thrown towards should use the signal.

Secretary must be an active member of TASO Football!

Abilene Chapter brought up having to go meet Coaches already dressed! There was a discussion on pro's and con's of being in uniform and being in regular clothes! Uniformity (especially during play-offs) was given as the reason and nothing was done!

We had two AD's from the DFW area speak to us. One was from Keller and I can't remember where the other guy was from (but I believe he was the President of their organization). They talked about problems with Volleyball and Softball, but said they have no problems with Football. They have to do whatever the UIL says, but they said they want the guys they saw last year on the field this fall.

The figure Of \$600,000.00 in reserves for TASO was mentioned! No details.

They want everyone to send a list of talking points they can organize for an agenda we can use when we talk to Coaches and the Public and specifically the UIL!

They want more digital exchanges instead of paperwork when possible! E-mail changes and ID#'s, etc.

Much was said about points and not turning in points in order to stay on a crew that had a 10 point system set up (1 point equals Division). Guys wouldn't want to hurt their chances of having to move out of a crew, so they would take one for the crew and remain a THREE if it kept their total @ TEN. Then they would try to turn in three years of points at once when timing was right. Turn them in or lose them!

Test should be on-line by July 15, 2010! They hope to have it where you can go back to your test or have plenty of tests available so if you keep failing, you can keep trying. Highest score would count, not last score! Talked about South Plains being on Probation (along with Austin & Permian Basin) for something to do with a guy failing test and letting a guy work and Tony Timmons giving him an okay or something.

New members should be able to take test later on in the season!

Dan Glassen is ready to turn over the reins to Miller Walker. The district meeting will be in August!

San Angelo will provide a back judge for this year's Private School All-Star Game!

All Chapters had turned in their \$\$\$ and their register members, and it is 5% either way of being the same as last year @ this time! All indications are we are standing together as an organization, except for Waco!

Mike Fetch told me he had about 2,700 members on compute and 4 Chapters he hadn't put the numbers into the system, one of those being the Houston Chapter! So, we are holding strong!

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