

## MINUTES OF CASRA MEETING – September 8, 2008 - UIL Building, Austin, Texas

1. Meeting called to order by President Dave Robertson at 6:35 pm.

a. Reminded members that according to the by-laws we will hold elections in November and next month we will hold elections. All slates are open. You can't serve more than two consecutive terms. If you want to nominate someone, please let him know via email.

b. We will have CASRA training in April, May, June, August and September and October (6 opportunities, for 5 reqd hours) . Due to the length of time to conduct TASO meetings, this year we will not have CASRA meetings in January, February and March. However, we may have a CASRA meeting in March if warranted. A member mentioned that the CASRA training hours received during the CASRA meetings are very important to those that don't want to spend a day at a clinic and that we intend to keep counting one hour of the ALDC Friday training session and that November training may be considered if needed.

c. Discussion relating to registering for Kidsafe badges for members. Michael Day indicated that if you are 18 or over and officiate STYSA sponsored (youth) matches, you are required to have a current Kid-Safe Pass. If you are affiliated with a local association you may register through that association. Otherwise you may register through the STSR website, [www.stsr.org](http://www.stsr.org) (Kid-Safe Portal) that has been enabled. The cost is roughly \$12. All STSR instructors and assessors MUST register with Kid-Safe.

2. Introduction of Guests: Tama Theis, RRWSL Assigner Dawn Clopton, John Foote and Kyle Milner.

3. Reports

- (a) August 2008 minutes were approved.
- (b) Treasurer: (Noel Gonsalvez) Balance is \$1570.59.
- (c) Secretary: (Marcello Rodriguez) No report.
- (d) CASRA Vice President (John Smith): Door prizes tonight which will be raffled after the meeting. Still has a few *Advice to Referees on the Laws of the Game* for \$9.00 for sale. Thirty six CASRA flipping coin were sold at the ALDC conference at \$2 each. Extras are \$2.00 each which the membership approved for purchase last month. It will be used for membership incentives and will give three to each paid up member and one each year that you renew your membership. We will also give some to each CASRA referee who goes to Regional or National tournaments or other special tournaments. A drawing will be held after the meeting for some soccer "goodies".
- (e) STSR District Director of Instruction, Operations Manager and Webmaster: (Mike Day): There is a CASRA clinic online which has been created for those CASRA members who receive their training at our meetings. Fitness test: most recert clinics for grades 7 and 8 will have a fitness test in the morning. Look on line for clinics in September and October. There is a recert clinic in San Marcos but you cannot just sign up to take the fitness test. Email Mike at [dir@stsr.org](mailto:dir@stsr.org) to sign up for a fitness test. CASRA members don't have to pay a fee if you want to take the fitness test only. We will have USSF testing in October and November

and December for stragglers. No testing after Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. Training counts for one hour if you attended the ALDC meeting with instruction provided by Brian Hall.

- (f) District Three Representative (Paul Stanberry): State Referee Committee meeting November 1st. If you have items to bring up, please let him know.
- (g) Director of Assessments: (Saki Papadopoulos) Not present, however we received word from him that you need to schedule yourself for an assessment as early as possible.
- (h) Area assignors: Nothing to report.

4. Old Business: None.

5. New Business: None.

6. The meeting closed at 7:05 pm for training:“ Ethics” – by Michelle Maloney. Prior to the Ethics training, she answered questions pertaining to the new signals on communicating to the center referee any infractions resulting in a Penalty Kick **where the Referee called the foul**, or keeper encroachment during the taking of a Penalty Kick or kicks from the mark. **There is no change to the signals when the AR calls a foul in the penalty area.**

Respectfully submitted,

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