

**South Carolina Football Officials Association
Directors Meeting
October 24, 2016
6:00PM
South Carolina High School League Building
Columbia, South Carolina
Minutes**

Those present were:

President: Donnie Strong
Vice President: Chris Horton
Past President: Dean Waters
Secretary: Rob Davis
SCHSL: Charlie Wentzky
Officials' Representative to the Executive Committee of the SCHSL: Sam Jones
District 1: Jimmy Waldrep
District 2: Eric Wells
District 3: Brad Smith
District 4: Steve Wilkie
District 5: Sam Jones
District 6: Joe Eason
District 7: Sam Felder
District 8: John Hill
District 9: Granderson James
District 10: Steven Hughes
District 11: Bryan Murphy
District 12: Ricky Robinson
District 13: Brian Shealy

All motions were properly seconded.

1. Call to Order: Donnie Strong
2. Invocation: Jimmy Waldrep
3. Approval of July 29, 2016 Director's Meeting Minutes. Motion by Murphy and second by S. Jones. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Administrative Items
 - a) Incoming Officers for 2017—Chris Horton President, Tommy Brush VP, Rob Davis Secretary
 - b) District Elections
 - i. District 3—Chris Horton
 - ii. District 6—Jeff Cockrell
 - iii. District 9—Granderson James
 - iv. District 11—Keith Hajnal
 - c) Review Board
 - i. Bill Reid - Term Expires 12-31-2016 (rotating off)
 - ii. Gerald Parker - Term expires 12-31-2017
 - iii. Brad Smith—Term expires 12/31/2018
 - iv. Tim Cahill—Term Begins 1/1/17 and expires 12/31/2019

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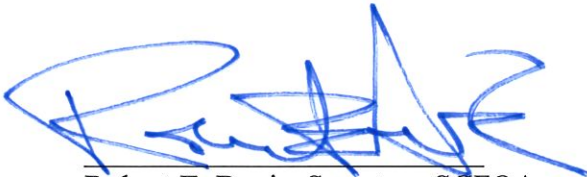
5. Committee Reports
 - a) Mechanics—Horton reported that changes this year have gone well. Changes for next year due to T. Brush by 1/15/17.
 - b) HOF—Horton reported that banquet is 1/7/17 at Seawells at 7:00. Cost is \$30.00 a person.
 - c) Scholarship—Wilkie made a motion to increase scholarship amounts to \$1,000 with a second by Waters. The motion passed unanimously. Applications for 2017 due to Charlie before 1/15/17.
 - d) Governance
 - i) Proposal from Committee to change by-laws to delete requirement that Board must follow Robert's Rules of Order passed unanimously.
 - ii) Proposal from Committee that officials must stand for National Anthem with cap over heart or military rendering proper salute passed unanimously.
 - e) All Star—Shealy reported that donations are still needed. Discussion was held about officials having to chose between North-South and State Championship. The North-South game was moved to week of semi-final because of hurricane. Charlie reported that officials need to work semi-final to be able to work final but we could guarantee affected officials to work the North-South game the following years. This had been done in the past. No official action taken by board.
 - f) Website—Wells advised that the calendar would be updated due to changes caused by hurricane.
6. Unfinished Business
 - a) State Finals—discussion was held about hospitality suite.
 - b) Clinic Excuses—any deductions are to be reported to secretary. Only two districts reported any.
 - c) Official's Representative to SCHSL Report—Jones reported on his activities including conference call and appeals on eligibility.
7. New Business/Proposals
 - a) Rating pay for Wynne Dee—Jones moved that we continue to pay Wynne Dee \$1,000 to calculate the ratings pending her acceptance with a second by Hill. (After the meeting Wynne Dee accepted and is going to train Blair to do this for us next year.)
 - b) 7 on 7 issues—Officials reported frustration with the number of 7 on 7 tournaments. Charlie reported that SCHSL does not govern in terms of sportsmanship or ejections but later clarified that we do have insurance coverage.
 - c) Investigation into hit on official—Discussion was held on a video showing a player contacting an official. Several board members were concerned about the investigation. Charlie assured the Board that the SCHSL fully investigated the matter but as with all investigations its findings and any punishments would not be public. Discussion was held on sending a letter to the SCHSL about the concerns but no further action was taken.
 - d) Booking fees (Sub-varsity, Spring Games, Jamborees)—Strong appointed

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Jones, Waldrep, Hill, and Wells to discuss uniformity throughout the state on handling these contests and to report back in the Spring

- e) Remind officials to register and turn in ratings by 12/15/17
 - f) Point deductions to Commissioner by January 2017
 - g) Proposed Meeting Dates for 2017
 - i) 3/27/17
 - ii) clinic ?
 - iii) 10/30/17
8. Commissioner's Report—Charlie discussed the following:
- a) Balance is \$19,984
 - b) Wynne Dee's retirement was discussed
 - c) Hudl information was presented
 - d) Arbitrator Pay is coming probably next year
 - e) Use of evaluators was discussed
 - f) Testing issues discussed—online and number of questions
 - g) Potential Rewards discussed for recruitment/retention of new officials
9. Davis moved to adjourn and Wells seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ADDENDUM: On November 16, 2016, an online vote was held regarding the SCFOA contributing \$1,500 in the form of a travel gift certificate to Wynne Dee as a retirement gift. The vote passed unanimously.


Robert E. Davis, Secretary SCFOA

3/27/17
Date