

South Carolina Football Officials Association
July 28th 30, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes

Location: SCHSL Office

Time: 4:00 PM

1. Call to Order: Jeff Nettles

Present

Charlies Wentzky SCHSL

D1-Chip Dickert

D2- Brian Parker

D3- Brad Smith

D4- Alan Boatwright

D5-Absent

D6- Darryl Jackson

D7-Bryant Williams

D8-Cary Collins

D-9 Granderson James

D10- Greg Hawkins

D11-Keith Hajnal

D12- Ricky Robinson

D13- Todd Johnson

President -Jeff Nettles

Vice President -Steve Sawyer

Past President- Tim Cahill

Secretary- Alphonso Smith

Kyle Boczkowski

Gary Lukridge

Charlie Wentzky

2: Invocation: Todd Johnson

3 Approval Of minutes

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Recommendation to Approve Minutes: Steve Sawyer

Second: Todd Johnson

Approved by a voice vote of the Board Carried 14-0

4. Committee Reports

A. Budget Committee: Jeff Nettles

- Jeff Nettles, we need 5 crews from around the state to donate game fees for Budget.
- Please make checks out to SCFOA send to Charlie Wentzky
- D-3 400.00 Donation

- D-13 500.00 Donation
- D-6 500 Donation
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B. Governance Committee: Ricky Robinson

- Nothing to Report

C. Mechanics Committee: Steve Sawyer

- T. Cahill inquired about the impact of facial hair on recruitment and retaining officials.
- -J. Nettles would like a list of new officials we gained from having facial hair in our grooming standards.
- C. Dickert inquired about late members being able to take the NFHS exam to be qualified for varsity games (C. Wentzky advised he would open it back up)

D. Scholarship Committee: Keith Hajnal

- 500.00 Anonymous donation for 2023 Scholarships
- Each 2023 Scholarship will be 750.00.
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E. Hall Of Fame; Jeff Nettles

- Bubba Hope Present (Chair of HOF Committee) Est. 1999
- Must be Submitted by District Director
- SCFOA Member for 20 Years
- 7 State Finals
- Shrine Bowl/North South All Star Games
- 250 Varsity Contest
- Service – 3 Years
- 2024 No Banquet because of only 5 Entrants into HOF
- March 2025 Next HOF Banquet.

F. All Star Committee: Not Present

- Nothing to Report (Need Donations from District)

G. Review Board: Gary Lockridge for Marshall Conner

- Committee (Marshall Conner, Gary Lockridge, Todd Moore)
- Criteria the Review Board Uses is in the Bylaws
- 2022 72 New Officials
- New Officials Get a Rating of 20
- Transfer and Returning officials Max Officials Rating of 24
- T. Cahill inquired about Kyle Davis reason for sitting out a year.
- Officials have the right to approve their ratings to the SCFOA Board got Full State Final Approval

Recommendation to Approve Minutes: Daryl Jackson

Second: Brad Smith

Approved by a voice vote of the Board Carried 15-0

H. Special Committee Clinic/Ratings -Tim Cahill

- Proposal to be presented in September.
- Clinic to be Educational Clinic
- What does the business meeting look like if we have an Educational Clinic?
- Ratings to be transitioned to a positive point system?

5. Old Business

A. Constitutional Change Language & Elections (Jeff Nettles)

- Members of SCFOA/ Clarity on what constitutes good standing for a District Director
- Recommendation of sending back to Governance Committee to define what good standing is to be Elected District Director.
- Do members have to be registered members of SCFOA?

Motion to Return to Governance Committee to Define Good Standing: Darryl Jackson

Second: Todd Johnson

Approved by a voice vote of the Board Carried 15-0

6. New Business

A. SCFOA Registration Fee 2024 (Jeff Nettles)

- Current SCFOA Registration Fee 65.00 Recommendation to increase the fee to 75.00 to meet our current Budget needs.
- Brad Smith requested a breakout per official of where money is allocated.
- Darry Jackson asked who sets the fee and does it require approval of membership.
- Steve Sawyer recommended the increase in dues be 15.00 rather than 10.00.
- Chip Dickert in his interpretation fees are in bylaws.
- Cary Collins inquired why there is a shortfall in budget.
- Jeff Nettles 7000.00 to cover all SCFOA expenses and All-Star Game. That 5000.00 Budget shortage in 2023. Budget had to be cut. Extra money would allow us to pay all our expenses and have extra money for Training and Recruitment.
- The Board would like to review the Budget for October meeting to consider this proposal.

Recommendation to table until October meeting; Keith Hajnal

Second: Todd Johnson

Approved by a voice vote of the Board Carried 15-0

6. Charlie Wentzky

- Recommended Board be careful stepping into District Business in deciding on District Director
- The board should not step out of their area of responsibility.
- 2023 Budget was set to match what SCFOA can afford.
- Discussed Rule 10 Changes and the intent.
- Advised that incompetent clock operators are the fault of the officiating crew. If they are not performing remove them.
- Goal is to capture the most essential plays from week to week.
- Officials are missing too many basic plays from week to week.
- He gets calls from Schools and Coaches. If officials get these calls have them call the SCFOA office.
- Jeff Nettles asked how we handle the chain crew (Notify C. Wentzky of chain crew problems and he will call the schools and have them removed)
- Critical that penalty reports are turned in on time.

Motion to Adjourn, Darry Jackson

Next Meeting October 30th

Second: Chip Dickert

Motion Passed on Voice Vote Carried 15-0