

South Carolina Football Officials Association Board Meeting
February 24 ,2025
Zoom Meeting Minutes

D1: Chip Dickert

D2: Dart Collins

D3: Brad Smith

D4: Alan Boatwright

D5: Garrick Messer

D6: Darryl Jackson

D7: Bryant Williams

D8: Tim Cahill

D9: Eric McKnight

D10: Greg Hawkins

D11: Keith Hajnal

D12: Ricky Robinson

D13: David Pitts

Pres: Gary Lukridge

V-Pes: Lee Smith

P-Pres: Absent

Sec: Alphonso Smith

Charlie Wentzky

Steve Sawyer

Bruce Hulion

I. Call to Order – Gary Lukridge

- Invocation- Gary Lukridge

II. Approval Of Minutes

- January 2025
 - Motion to Approve: Darryl Jackson
 - Second: Bryant Williams
 - Motion Approved 15-0

III. Commissioner's Report -Charlie Wentzky

- Consistency is the key
- 6 Rule Changes for 2025
 - Arm Sleeves
 - Mouth Pieces
 - Electronic Signage
 - Electronic Audio/Camera and Mic Up a Player
 - 10-4-4-B Illegal Participation Cleared up
 - Forward Fumble

IV. Committee Reports

- Mechanics Committee- Lee Smith
 - 2 Recommendations to the Board
 - 1. Use of Bean Bag
 - 2. Line Judge to be responsible for Penalty Report
- Hall of Fame Committee- Bruce Hulion
 - March 15th Hall of Fame Banquet.
 - 55 Tickets Sold to date.
 - March 9th cut off date for Tickets
 - Chris Jones has HOF Tickers
- Governance Committee- Darry Jackson/Ricky Robinson
 - Approval of Applications by District Directors
 - Annual Meeting No Change
 - Approve to Move the Calander Year for SCFOA
 - No Change to certification exam process.
 - State Review Board Procedure change.
 - Discuss bringing Social Media policy to full board.
 - Number of games officials must work on the field for playoff consideration. Clocks do not count.
 - Moving state finals eligibility to 2 years. Top 8 at each position eligible.
 - Discussed changing wording from Commissioner of Officials to SCHSL designee.

- Discussed Side Judge and Field Judge Selection for Championships.
 - Discussed use of carryover provision by an official for playoff assignments.
 - Discussed use of Certification exam for ratings and second exam for playoffs and championships.
 - Discussed deduction of points for missing Annual Meeting.
 - Discussed State Review board procedure.
 - Discussed 2 years of matters brought before the board.
- All Star Committee -Keith Hajnal
 - Nothing to Report currently.
- Budge/Finance Committee- Garrick Messer
 - 2024 Finances
 - 10,200.00 Revenue
 - 5,100.00 Expenses
 - Current Donations for Clinic 4,200.00
- Scholarship Committee: Alan Boatwright
 - Nothing to Report
- Review Board-Mark Bishop
 - No Review Board members are present.

- Ratings and Clinic Committee – Tim Cahill and Chip Dickert
 - T. Cahill-Committee Recommends moving forward with Clinic July 12th, 2025
 - More discussion will need to be made on the Exam/Business Meeting
 - Motion from Committee for Clinic July 12th.
 - C. Dickert- Delay a year
 - R. Robinson – What is the hurry to do this year.
 - G. Messer- We will return donations if there is no clinic
 - G. Lukridge- We tend to delay what we do.
 - Several Members expressed concern that this is a violation of our bylaws.

1. N	11.Y
2. Y	12.N
3. Y	13.Y
4. N	P-Pres- Absent
5. Y	V- Pres- Y
6. Y	Sec-Y
7. Y	
8. Y	
9. Y	
10.N	

Motion Passed 11-4

v. Discussion Items:

- Dissolution of Geographical Districts -Gary Lukridge
- Several Districts below 5% threshold No action has been taken
- D. Jackson not in favor of enforcing this By Law
- A. Smith has a reservation to decide which By-law we decide to enforce.

- Several members are in favor of helping to get numbers up.
- Several members question why enforce this by law when we don't enforce any of our other by laws.
- Topic to be re-visited during March Meeting

VI. Presidents Report

- Discussed the newsletter and members participation
- Discussed Hall of Fame Banquet.

VII. Adjournment

- Motion to Adjourn: Chip Dickert
- Second: Darryl Jackson
- Motion Passed 14-0