

New York State Certified Officials of Soccer (NYSCOS)

Annual Meeting – Saturday, August 1, 2015 – Minutes

NYSCOS President, Ed McLaughlin, called the Annual Meeting to order at 09:30 at the Craftsman Inn and Conference Center, Fayetteville, NY.

1. Roll Call ... all ExComm members present, all Local Board's are represented.
2. Secretary/Treasurer's Report ...
 - 2014 Annual Meeting Minutes were reviewed. A motion was made, and then seconded to accept those minutes as documented. 2014 Annual Meeting minutes are approved.
 - A handout of financial details for the past year's status was reviewed by all present. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the report. The treasurer's report was approved.
 - 2015 – 2016 Budget was presented, reviewed, and approved.
 - IRS Recognition of Exemption (Form 1023-EZ) was discussed. If approved, this will complete the Incorporation process. T. Kadlubowski and J. Zimring will supply information and submit the computer generated Form at this meeting's conclusion. There is a four hundred (\$400.00) dollars fee.
 - NYSCOS (IRS) tax-exempt number, re: 2014 Annual Meeting, 1Aug2014 ... ALL of the NYSCOS Local Board's (listed) have been removed. This means ... if you are using this tax-exempt number, you can no longer use it. You MUST obtain your own Board's Employee Identification Number (EIN) from the IRS.
3. President and Secretary's Comments ... It was again brought to all the attention of Local Board representatives present that NYSCOS information, sent by the ExComm Secretary/Treasurer to all Local Board's, is not being adequately relayed. The single point of contact for this information has always been that Local Board's secretary. To date, the ExComm secretary's list of Local Board's Secretary's is updated. It was requested that all NYSCOS Local Boards furnish two (2) alternate Board names to receive the same information sent. Those names should be emailed to the NYSCOS Secretary/Treasurer to ensure information is circulated within all Local Board's Officers.
4. ExComm Elections (Member-at-Large) ... Nomination for this position was presented by Past President, Richard Leaf. William (Bill) Pasank was presented to the meeting attendees as the only nomination. Additional nominations were asked for from the floor and no candidate(s) was/were presented in addition to the nominee. A motion to close nominations for the office of was asked. A motion was made, seconded and approved to close nominations for this office. As only one (1) member was nominated, a motion was made and seconded for the Secretary/Treasurer to cast the vote for this NYSCOS ExComm position. Approved and vote cast. 2015-2017 Member-at-Large is Bill Pasnak.
5. NYSED Fingerprinting /Background Check Policy ... Jeff Zimring, NYSCOS Counsel, addressed a question (A. Wharton, NYC) regarding the procedure and charge involved with this MUST Procedure for all NYSCOS Local Board membership.
6. Soccer Rules Interpretation ...
 - Scott Reynolds, NYSCOS Soccer Rules Interpreter reviewed the 2015 NFHS Soccer RULES updates, Points of Emphasis, and NYSPHSAA Waivers. Discussion followed.

- President McLaughlin presented current and future NYSCOS/NYSPHSAA policy regarding “on line” testing. This 2015-2016 season will be the last season that written and “on line” testing will be accepted. The 2016-2017 season, only “on line” testing is acceptable. ALL NYSCOS Local Boards are strongly encouraged to start this process this 2015-2016 season. To this end, McLaughlin will send out instructions to all Local Board Secretaries about individual testing.
7. NYSPHSAA Soccer Championships Report ...
 - Boys - Neil Edkins – All ran well with no concerns to be addressed.
 - Girls - Alexis Murphy - All ran well with no concerns to be addressed.
 - Presentation to Neil Edkins for many years of service to NYSCOS and its membership.
 8. New Business ... none
 9. General Remarks, President McLaughlin ... The President urged effective communications of ExComm messages from the NYSCOS Secretary/Treasurer to Local Board Officers and their membership.
 10. 2016 NYSCOS Annual Meeting, tentatively, will be held Saturday, July 30, 2016, again in the Syracuse area. Location TBA.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved. Lunch was served at the Craftsman Café.

Respectfully Submitted,
Thomas Kadlubowski, Secretary/Treasurer
NYSCOS ExComm