

# **Minutes of Oct. 5, 2021 meeting**

**At:** Tyrell Middle School, Wolcott

**What:** 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the 2021 regular season

**Started:** 7:09 p.m.

## **President John Murphy opening remarks**

1. There are a lot of games tonight so attendance at this meeting will be lower than typical.
2. We had good overall compliance with the CIAC mandates on vaccine or testing. Two members returned their schedules due to this.
3. JM asks if there have been any unusual situations that came up during games and a few members respond quickly and there is a brief discussion.
4. Recruiting new members remains an issue and everyone can help in this regard by word of mouth recruiting. This will remain a priority.

## **Interpretation**

WCSOA rules interpreter Art Hamm gave his presentation:

1. On page 89 of rule book there is a diagram on the mechanic on corner kicks with the lead official show standing outside the flag in the corner. Our mechanic has not changed and lead official should be on goal line near the goal.
2. Page 27 of rule book is pointed out in respect to items that may be worn safely on heads.
3. Art says that all substitutes should enter and leave the field at midfield, not anywhere else.

4. Protecting yourself with your arms (head, body, groin) is not a handball as long as arms are close to body.
5. Game management: among many items that should be addressed before a game are the safety of the goals and nets, tape over jewelry, condition of game balls, whether team has linespeople.
6. Make sure all coaches names are on the roster.
7. Preparation for match: The quality of the game should be considered, the skill level of the players and any previous meetings.
8. Pay attention to details and always act professional.
9. Be consistent, fair and approachable and remember that the games are for the players.
10. Control only the controllable and never get involved in discussions with fans.

### **Old business**

1. JM points out that sportsmanship survey will be emailed by end of month.
2. AH reminds members that they are eligible to have their kids apply for a WCSOA scholarship.

### **Treasurer's report**

1. Kurt Miller reports balances of \$6,121 (checking) and \$13,312 (savings).

**MOTION:** Al Schoenback to approve treasurer's report; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Andy Mozalak. PASSES

### **Commissioner's report**

1. Joe DelBuono reviews crazy days ahead in terms of scheduling in October.

2. JD explains how tournament assignments (and when) will be delivered.
3. Payments: send a reminder to the school if not paid within two weeks of the game (and send JD a copy).
4. Bourdeau Award: Owen Finberg of South Kent was 2020 winner and will be invited to banquet; need nominees for the 2021 award (a few offered from the floor). Voting for this award done by the EX Board members.
5. Banquet scheduled for Nov. 22.

**Adjourn at 8:05 p.m.**