



**June 19, 2024**

**PSOA Membership Meeting – 1700 Brewing (Newport News)**

**Welcome and Call to Order – Mark Rader: 7:01 pm**

- Welcome to our June membership meeting.
- The Executive Committee met right before this meeting.
- Thanks to John Griggs and 1700 Brewing for the use of their awesome facilities.

**Attendees (20):**

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| Chris DeBoer   | Paul Leslie   | Steve Schindler |
| Toni Goad      | Chris Moller  | Shannon Smith   |
| Tim Greer      | George Moss   | Patrick Stephan |
| John Griggs    | Kevin Nolan   | Meredith Swain  |
| Clinton Higdon | Mark Rader    | Matthew Torres  |
| Sean Kent      | Gerald Romain | Daniel Weddle   |
| Steve Kinney   | Don Samuels   |                 |

**Anyone attending for the first time (new member or interested in joining PSOA) – Mark Rader**

- None

**Minutes of Last Membership Meeting (Posted on PSOA Website) – Don Samuels**

**Treasurer's Report – Steve Kinney**

- Account Balance (6/19/24): -\$6,520.37
  - o 2024 PSOA Dues Collected: \$3,690 from 246 referees.
- May 2024 Referee Checks: 195 checks for \$69,452.00 for 865 games.
- o June 2024 Referee Tournament Checks: 15 checks for \$3,225.00 for 129 games at BayStars Surf & Turf Tournament (June 1-2).
- Bills Paid:
  - o VHSL Custom HS Badges (100 Badges)
  - o 5 Rolls of Stamps (5/6/24)
- Outstanding High School Checks (\$11,575.00):
  - o Bay Rivers District: Grafton (\$1,050), Smithfield (\$7,120), Poquoson (\$820)
  - o Peninsula District: Hampton Public Schools (\$105), Newport News Public Schools (\$1,600)
  - o Private: Williamsburg Christian Academy (\$880)
- Outstanding League Checks (\$46,865.02):
  - o CNU Club – Spring (\$775), YC Rec – May/Jun (\$5,682), VPSL/NPL – Spring (\$10,822), TASL – Spring (\$15,180.02), PAA – Spring (\$1,108), JCC Adult – Spring (\$2,170), Poq Rec – May (\$1,515), VA Legacy Rec – Spring (\$8,070), Club WAKA Adult (\$1,313), VA Peninsula Community College (\$230) from Sept 2023 (Invoiced again on 6/17/24 with Kevin Darcey), IOW Rec (Not Invoiced)

## League Status – Assigners

- Club Champions League (CCL) – Toni Goad
  - No games this Spring.
- Club WAKA Adult League – Sean Kent
  - Spring season had 105 games. 5 cautions & 8 ejections.
  - Fall season will begin in August.
- College Club (CNU/W&M) – Steve Kinney
  - CNU Club: 6 games scheduled, 1 cancelled. Fall schedule TBD.
  - W&M Club: 14 games scheduled, 4 cancelled. Fall schedule TBD.
- High School (Public/Private) – Steve Kinney
  - Spring Season
    - 913 games entered in Arbiter.
    - 709 games played, 62 rainouts, 140 cancelled, 1 forfeit, 1 postponed.
  - Fall Season
    - Estimate 250 games based on last year's numbers. Already entered 50 games.
    - Received schedules from Walsingham, HRA, Denbigh Baptist and OLMC.
- High School Commissioner – Don Samuels
  - Yellow Cards: 498 (VB – 293, JVB – 112, VG – 77, JVG – 16)
  - Red Cards: 24 (VB – 18, JVB – 3, VG – 2, JVG – 1)
  - PSOA referees worked 7 state quarterfinals & 3 state semifinals.
- Isle of Wight Recreation League – Toni Goad
  - Spring Season
    - 143 games, 16 cancelled.
    - Implemented mentor fees included in invoice fees.
  - Fall Season
    - Submitting new contract by end of July – will include mentor fees.
    - Estimated Dates: September 9-November 4.
    - Estimated Games: 100
- JCC Adult Recreation League – Sean Kent
  - Spring season had 14 games. No cards!
  - Fall season will begin in September.
- Newport News Recreation League – Steve Landers
  - Spring Season
    - 203 games scheduled – 178 games played, 13 rainouts, 12 cancelled.
  - Contract expires in 2026.
  - Fall season will begin in September after Labor Day.
- Phillips Athletic Association (PAA) – Dave Robertson
  - Spring Season
    - 185 games scheduled – 174 games played with referees, 6 games unable to support with referees, 5 games cancelled and not rescheduled.
    - Yellow Cards: 14 (Dissent-3, USB-4, Incidental Foul Language-6, PI-1)
    - Red Cards: 2 (Player 2nd Caution, Coach Ejection)
  - Fall Season
    - Anticipate starting September 7 and lasting until early November.
- Poquoson Recreation League – Clinton Higdon
  - 71 games scheduled, 66 games played, 1 yellow card.
  - Fall season begins September 21.

- Tidewater Advanced Soccer League (TASL) – Toni Goad
  - Spring Season
    - 239 games, 56 cancelled.
    - 4 Ejections.
  - Fall Season
    - Submitting new contract by end of July – will include mentor fees.
    - Estimated Dates: September 9-November 11.
    - Estimated Games: 240
- VIP United Adult League – Steve Kinney
  - Winter/Spring Season
    - 37 games scheduled, 6 cancelled and rescheduled.
  - Summer Season
    - May 4-July 14 plus playoffs.
    - 33 games scheduled for Saturdays and Sundays.
- Virginia Legacy Recreation League – Sean Gomez
  - Spring season complete.
- Virginia Premier League South (VPL)/National Premier League (NPL) – Toni Goad
  - Spring Season
    - 148 games, 11 cancelled.
    - 2 Ejections.
  - Fall Season
    - Submitting new contract by end of July.
    - Estimated Dates: August 26-November 12.
    - Estimated Games: 240
- York County Recreation League – Chris Moller
  - Spring Season
    - 338 games (10U – 154, 12U – 128, 15U – 56), 34 rainouts.
    - Pretty mild season with cards not counted.
    - Minor issues resolved speedily.
  - Fall Season
    - August 26-October 26.
    - Contract just renewed Spring 2024.
    - Fall season game count should be similar to Spring.

#### **Upcoming Tournaments**

- Toni Goad – VIP preseason tournament on August 19. Approximately 20 games.
- VA South Referee Academy – Columbus Day weekend in October.

#### **Director of Referee Development – Sean Kent**

- Tonight's training topic will be a review of the FIFA LOTG changes for 2024-2025.

#### **Director of Mentoring – Sean Gomez**

- No new updates.

#### **New Business**

- Don Samuels – High School Sportsmanship Award
  - Don Samuels provided EC members with a spreadsheet including games played, yellow cards, red cards, and sportsmanship scores for all teams in the BRD and PD. Paul Leslie developed a weighted sportsmanship score based off of this data. The EC approved the following award winners:
    - BRD Boys Award – Smithfield HS
    - BRD Girls Award – New Kent HS
    - PD Boys Award – Hampton HS

- PD Girls Award – Hampton HS
- Mark Rader – the Oktoberfest/Picnic/Pizza/Halloween Party is a go. Most likely October 30<sup>th</sup> (unless there's a better date). Elizabeth Palumbo is going to coordinate this event. Please send her ideas on food, treats, raffle stuff, themes, prizes, etc.
- Mark Rader – we need candidates for the Hjalmar Fond Youth Referee of the Year Award and the State Youth Referee of the Year Award. Toni Goad also proposed a Rookie Referee of the Year Award (we would need criteria from Toni if we want to add this). Send nominations to EC Members.
- Patrick Stephan – we need consistency among referees about build-out lines (when the ball is put in play) in TASL.
- Toni Goad – 4 PSOA referees were selected to attend the 2024 USYS President's Cup Nationals in Wichita, KS on July 12-16, 2024. Congratulations to Audrey Atwell, Lauren Atwell, Kayla Romine and Daniel Weddle!

#### **Training – Sean Kent**

- A review of the FIFA LOTG changes for 2024-2025. There are not a lot of changes that will affect most of the matches we referee, but there are a few. That includes non-deliberate hand balls that deny a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity and for which the referee awards a PK, which is now downgraded to a yellow card, and that a ball placed for a kick from the mark must touch or overhang the center of the mark. Of more interest are several trials that leagues can choose to adopt. These include:
  - Cooling-off periods – The referee can choose to send each team to their own penalty areas, then call out the captains and talk through what is needed to resume the match.
  - Goalkeeper holding the ball for too long – This is rarely called because it results in an IDFK inside the goal area. The new trial changes the time from six seconds to eight seconds (with the ref showing the countdown from five seconds with his fingers) and allows the member organization to dictate that the restart is either a Corner Kick, or a Throw-in to be taken in line with the penalty mark.
  - Ban on deliberate heading – The current guidance says that the restart is an IDFK from the spot where the infringement occurred unless it is within the penalty area and then the restart is either the spot of the infringement or on the top of the goal area nearest to the infringement. The latter restart leaves U12 and under defenders standing on the goal line with an opponent who may choose to drive the ball into the wall. The new trial moves the restart to the side of the penalty area closest to where the offense occurred. This seems like a very smart call!

**Next Membership Meeting** – Wednesday, September 18, 2024 – 6:30 pm – 1700 Brewing (Newport News)

**Adjourned:** 7:34 pm (Motion – Kevin Nolan; Second – Mark Rader)