

# **OREGON REFEREE COMMITTEE, INC.**

## **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD ON JANUARY 25, 2005**

Present:

Jerry Gompers  
Roger Hamilton  
Matt Madeira

Also Present:

Rick Brand  
Pat Duffy  
Craig Hill  
Peg Phillips  
Padman Senthirajah

1. MINUTES. The minutes of the meeting held on December 15, 2004 were approved.
2. REPORTS. Jerry Gompers reported on the new OYSA youth referee academy.
3. ITEMS REQUIRING FORMAL APPROVAL – None.
4. ITEMS CARRIED OVER FROM PRIOR MEETINGS.

A. WEBSITE – Roger Hamilton led an extended discussion of the draft website and how it might be announced. Rick Brand was asked to hold onto the domain name that he had reserved some time ago on behalf of the Committee (oregonsrc.com) for possible future use.

B. ORGANIZATION AND JOB DESCRIPTIONS. The Directors and the others present discussed proposed changes.

C. COMMITTEE POLICIES. Also discussed were the policies that have been adopted by the Committee over the last few years and proposed changes.

D. COLLEGE/HIGH SCHOOL SITUATION. The Directors and the others present continued the discussion of the problem of many senior grade USSF referees favoring college and high school games over adult games in the fall. The consensus was that it is unrealistic to expect the respective assignors to try to solve the problem. Rather an attempt should be made to seek a solution among the heads of the respective organizations for whom the assignors work.

5. NEW ITEMS.

A. ANNUAL REPORT, BUDGET & GOALS – Roger Hamilton pointed out that an annual report for 2004 and a budget and goals for 2005 need to be prepared soon.

B. FEEDBACK PROGRAM – Everyone agreed that the feedback program should continue as originally conceived. Feedback is to be informal and voluntary, with no paperwork or record-keeping involved.

C. SUBSTITUTION PROCEDURE – Everyone agreed that, notwithstanding the recent flap, common sense and the wishes of the associations and leagues that hire referees have to prevail. When a referee is being assessed, however, the referee should warn the coaches or managers of both teams if the referee intends to vary normal practice and conduct substitutions strictly according to the Laws of the Game.

D. OREGON REFEREE INSTITUTE – There was some discussion about holding an Institute either this year or next.

6. ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Roger Hamilton, Secretary