



OAA Girls Soccer Committee
2010 Post-Season Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 10th @ 6:30pm
Lahser High School

Attendance: Lahser, Athens, Lake Orion, North Farmington, Rochester, Seaholm, Stoney Creek, Troy, Clarkston, Farmington, Ferndale, Harrison, Hazel Park, Royal Oak, West Bloomfield, and Oxford.

Absent: Adams, Avondale, Berkley, Andover, Groves, Lathrup, and Pontiac.

Agenda:

1. Coaches contact information: please fill out sign in sheet completely with name, contact phone and e-mail address.
2. Officials: Sheldon Larky – President of the Soccer Officials Association will speak.
3. Post-game line up: where does this occur?
4. Standings: All-League awards.
5. Alignment: Discuss 2 or 3 Divisions.

Minutes:

1. Avis Najor, Lahser Athletic Coordinator, introduced himself as the new OAA Soccer Chairman. He asked for updated contact information for all of the coaches and distributed his business card with his contact information.
2. Sheldon Larky, President of the Soccer Officials Association, handed out information on the number and type of cards that were issued this past season with comparisons to the last couple of years (yellow card data is still being collected). He handed out a flyer that went over the 8 Official Referee Signals and new NFHS rules that will be used beginning next fall. He relayed the new MHSAA protocols for overtime games during the state tournament: two 10 minute overtime periods (no sudden death/golden goal); if still tied, penalty kicks will be used to determine the winner. He asked that the association be notified if the OAA plans to change the overtime protocols for the regular season (to be determined by the OAA athletic directors at the initial fall meeting). He asked that all coaches take the time to rate the officials. “It is the only way we can improve by weeding out bad officials and promoting the good ones”, he stated. He gave his contact information and the assignor’s, Pat Hayes, contact information if any coach would have a comment or concern for either of them in the future. Some comments from the coaches were: to make foul calls in the box and during lopsided games even when time is running down to minimize the dangerous play. “Call it like you would boy’s games”, Athens Coach stated. Avis reiterated that he was also a person to contact with issues pertaining to officials and that he would follow up with Pat and or Sheldon.

3. Post game line up for hand shaking: It was decided (the voice vote of “yeah” or “nay” was unanimous) that standard protocol will be lining up in front of the respective team benches instead of at midfield.
4. The All-League: The number of designations per team was to follow the same standard as the boy’s season: 6 for the first place team, 5 each for the second and third place teams, 4 each for the fourth and fifth place teams, and 3 each for sixth place and lower teams. The ties would get the same number correlating to the highest placement. League record with wins would be the first standard to placement in standings (not points).
5. Alignment: Avis reminded the coaches that alignment can be revisited every year as stated in the OAA soccer bylaws. Discussion ensued regarding keeping a 2 division league or changing to a 3 division format. Several coaches did want to change to the 3 division league stating the obvious; evening out of levels of competition. Most coaches wanted to keep the 2 division format. After a half hour or so of discussion there was a motion to vote: The result was 12 to 4 in favor of keeping the 2 division format. Discussions then focus on how to realign the teams in the league and where to put the newcomer, Oxford, into the league. A proposal was made that the bottom two in the Red division (Lahser and Seaholm) and the top two in the White division (Clarkston and Royal Oak) be swapped. After some discussion with other ideas such as a 10 team Red and a 13 team White there was a motion to vote on the initial proposal of the two top and bottom team swap: The result was 13 to 2 in favor of the two top and bottom swap (Rochester left prior to vote). Oxford was assigned to the White division.
6. Avis asked if there were any other issues the coaches would like to consider. None were offered. He thanked the coaches for their work and for coming to the meeting.
7. There was a motion to adjourn the meeting and it ended at approximately 7:45pm.

As agreed in prior coach’s meetings there will be no pre-season Girl’s Soccer meeting.

Alignment for spring 2011 season:

Red Division:	White Division:
Adams	Andover
Athens	Farmington
Avondale	Ferndale
Berkley	Groves
Clarkston	Harrison
Lake Orion	Hazel Park
North	
Farmington	Lahser
Rochester	Lathrup
Royal Oak	Oxford
Stoney Creek	Pontiac
Troy	Seaholm
	West Bloomfield