

**Metro DC-Virginia State Referee Program  
State Referee Committee Meeting Minutes  
Via GoToMeeting Conference Call  
Tuesday May 4, 2010**

*Minutes were modified and approved at the July 19, 2010 SRC meeting.*

**Committee members present were:**

Pat Delaney, Chairman  
Jim Sadowski, President / Metro DC-VA Soccer Assoc. & Amateur Rep  
José Sánchez SYRA  
Mark Turner, SAC/SAL  
Don Torrenti, SDA  
Paul Mungra, SDI  
Tom Frank, SRR

Absent were:

George Vergara, SRA  
Christie Bernas, Youth Representative

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM.

**Old Business**

Minutes from the January 22, 2010 SRC meeting were not approved and will be approved at a later date.

**REPORTS**

**Chairman**

The entire calendar for 2010 was reviewed particularly the various tournaments, upgrade clinics, and senior recertification clinics. The committee discussed the staffing, funding, and assignments for the different events. The calendar is posted on the MDCVSRP website.

**SRA**

George was not present during the conference call but requested that the following announcement be made:

Kevin Wah was approved by the MDCVSA and VYSA as the new SDI replacing Paul Mungra. Kevin will start in his new position on September 1, 2010. Paul will help Kevin through the transition.

**SYRA**

Jose stated that he was currently working on the spring State Cup Tournament. All assignments for the tournament and academy are completed. He also stated that a budget request was submitted to VYSA for the two State Cup Tournaments and accompanying academies. There was also a request for VYSA to pay for early arrivals of the referees at the Regional Tournament.

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**SDI**

Paul gave a Power Point presentation about the number of clinics that were held in the state. Some of the highlights are:

There were 75 New Grade 8, 14 New Grade 9, 12 New Grade 12, 150 Grade 8/9/12 recertification, and 12 Grade 7/6/5 recertification clinics. This is 2 to 3% less than 2009.

There were 5 upgrade to Grade 8, 4 upgrade to Grade 7, 2 upgrade to Grade 6 and one New Assignor clinics.

The vast majority of these clinics were held in August, December 2009 or from January to March 2010.

Paul stated that there are more requests from the western and extreme southern part of the state for more clinics.

He also noted that he plans to attend the SDI Workshop to be held in Dallas Texas on the 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> of June.

**SDA**

Don reported that there was to be no SDA workshop this spring.

He stated that there were 10 new grade 9 assessors and one new grade 5 assessor in the state.

There are nine referees that need games that are to be assessed by match inspectors and that all these have been scheduled.

**SRR**

Tom reported on the current state of the registration program. There was also a discussion about moving the referee clinics scheduling to the USSF website for the upcoming 2011 registration. It was decided to forego this move for at least another year until there can be further testing of the process.

**SAC**

Mark reported that there was a letter sent to the assignors about the appropriate use of the database.

He also stated that he attended the USSF General Membership Meeting. US Soccer's main concern today is the 2014/2018 World Cup bids. They are looking for contributions to help support the bid. The VA State Amateur Association has already contributed \$10,000.

**Youth Representative**

Absent - no report given.

**Amateur Representative**

Jim reported that there has been a test of the online player registration with one league. It was successful enough that they are bringing a second league online. The ultimate goal is have all players register online and receive a membership card which would then be used as their players pass. This will be a gradual phase-in.

He announced that Jessie Kratz has been appointed recording secretary for the State Association.

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The State Association also posted a job opening for a second administrative assistant to be the National Cup and Tournament Organizer.

There will be a local version of the Veteran's Cup to be held on July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. The goal of the State Association is to have an event each year for the women, men and co-ed players.

**New Business**

**Budget Update**

Pat reviewed the current state of the budget.

**Upcoming Senior Recertification Clinics**

The VISOA recertification clinic in July was discussed. All senior referees are to be reminded that the current SRC policy states that all grade 7/6/5/15/16 referees must be recertified by December 31<sup>st</sup> or there will additional fee of \$25.00.

**Policy Manual Updates**

A motion was made and seconded to accept the proposed changes to the SRC policy manual. The motion was approved.

**Region I Polo Shirts**

A discussion was had about the benefits of polo shirts versus warm up suits and who should pay for them. It was decided that we would pay for polo shirts.

**Neptune Classic Academy**

Plans for the Neptune Classic Academy were discussed.

**The Upcoming June Instructors and Assessors Meeting**

The Upcoming June Instructors and Assessors Meeting plans were discussed. The guest speaker will be Barry Tobin.

**USYSA Annual General Meeting**

Who would attend the meeting was discussed. Jose volunteered,

**State Wide Referee Feedback Program**

Allan Lo was unable to attend the meeting so there was no report. The goals of the program were reiterated. The purpose of this program is to plan and create a business case which proposes the best way to give feedback to the grade 8/9/12 referees to help them improve their performance today and in the future.

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**The Grade 6 Upgrade Clinic**

The Grade 6 Upgrade clinic that was held in February was discussed. There were 18 referees in attendance, 5 or 6 referees from the North, 5 or 6 from the South, 2 or 3 from the West, and 5 or 6 from the South.

**Upcoming SRC Meetings**

- Monday July 19, 2010 in Richmond.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.