OSSCA Board Meeting - 10/28/01

All districts present; Brian Stevens (President), John Johnson (VP-banquet), John Scramling (VP-honors, Cleveland), Pat Schymanski (Clinic), Keith Norris (Akron), Casey Claxon (Central), Mike Haney (Cincinnati), Dave Kridler (East), Paul Bohaboy (Miami Valley), Mark McDaniel (North Central), Albert Laux (Northwest), Paul Boll (Southeast), George Hunter (Youngstown), Bryan Loveless (Secretary).

- 1. President Brian Stevens called meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
- 2. B.S. went over Treasurer's Report.
- 3. Clinic Report (P. Schymanski):

Woody Hayes is tentatively scheduled for first weekend in May

May 3-4

P.S. would like to talk to NSCAA Director of Coaching Mike Parsons about bringing in additional clinicians.

Estimated costs for clinic are around \$3,000...Pat will have more accurate numbers by 12/9.

- P.S. would also still like to work through John Bluem at Ohio State.
- 4. Banquet Report (J. Johnson):

Banquets will still be held on Sunday, December 9, 2001 @ Marriott NW.

The girls banquet will be from noon until 2:00. Registration will begin at 11:30 a.m. The boys banquet will be from 4:00-6:30 with registration beginning at 3:30.

Information envelopes will be sent to all players receiving All-State honors.

The above information must be returned by December 1, 2001.

Approx. cost is \$24.00 per player.

J.Johnson will mail out packets about three weeks prior to Dec. 1 deadline.

John Bluem has tentatively committed to speak at banquet but may have a game.

We are still looking for other possible speakers as a back-up.

Board meeting will be on Dec. 8 at 6:30 or 7:00 @ Marriott NW.

5. B. Stevens gave update on dues unification:

At the August meeting of the OSSCA Executive Board, it was decided by the board to survey the membership about the unification of dues in 2002 with the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. The Executive Board believed such a survey would provide some preliminary data concerning the unification issue and the position of the membership.

The surveys were distributed to members attending the mandatory District meetings in early August and the results are in. Please keep in mind that this was only a preliminary step and the survey was not a binding vote.

Question: Beginning with the fall of 2002, in order for a head coach to be a member of the Ohio Scholastic Soccer Coaches Association (OSSCA), he/she must be a dues paying member of the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA). Failure to be a member of the NSCAA will eliminate a head coach from being a member of the OSSCA. In addition, said coach and his/her players will be denied the benefits associated with membership in the OSSCA.

	For	Against
Akron	44	29
Central	52	32
Cincinnati	26	22
Cleveland	82	28
East	4	25
Miami Valley	47	29
North Central	6	12
Northwest	23	26
Southeast	20	13
Youngstown	<u>34</u>	<u>4</u>
Total	338	210

In summary, statewide 62% voted in favor of dues unification, and 38% voted against. As you can see there are some districts that are strongly against unification. In some districts, the following question was asked of those that voted no: "Would you join if it

was decided to unify?" When asked this question, the greatest number of no voters responded in the affirmative. For example, in Cleveland 28 of the 38 who voted no said they would join if required. Only 3 said they would not join even if required. Please feel free to e-mail Brian Stevens or your district president with any input concerning this issue.

There was discussion of having another vote on this subject, possibly by mailing out another ballot. Mailing out ballots to every member may allow us to get a vote from a larger % of our members, then the Board will be better able to make a decision.

- 6. B.S. reported that the board made a \$1,000 donation to the relief fund in New York and a \$1,000 donation to the American Red Cross in the name of the OSSCA.
- 7. J. Scramling went over the procedures for the All-State voting process in detail. The All-State voting began after the Board meeting.
- 8. The next Board meeting is December 8, 2001 @ Marriott NW.
- 9. B. Stevens called the meeting to a close @ 11:03.