

January 2010 RASO Meeting Newsletter

Next RASO meeting is February 9th @ 7 PM @ ISC

www.RasoWeb.org

Attendance

Jan 5 – 14 members: Ryan Eckart, Ronaldo De Matos, Steve Hoover, Buddy Wallace, Mike Love, Domenic Ferrera, Juan Maya, John Martelin, Eduardo Zavala, Gerry Hundt, Dave Brandt, Jeff Clausen, Matt O'Brien, Ken Valentine

2010 Election of Officers Held

Nominations were presented by members from the floor. The election results were as follows:

- President – Jeff Clausen (1st year)
- Vice-President – Juan Maya (1st year)
- Secretary – Ryan Eckart (2nd year)
- Treasurer – Ronaldo De Matos (1st year)

A special thank you to Matt O'Brien and Greg Balestrieri for their service on the RASO board.

Discussion points

- Matt O'Brien suggested that dues for RASO in 2010 be \$20 per member. He also suggested a 3 year membership option. Topic is open for discussion. Questions were raised as to the benefits of increasing the dues, which was \$10 per member in 2009. Topic closed. Dues are \$10 for any student, \$15 per adult member for 1 year, or \$30 per adult member for a 3 year membership.
- The next topic open for discussion is the amount of meetings per year and the day of the week that the meetings will take place. Jeff Clausen will be sending out an email with the RASO meeting schedule for 2010.
- Gerry Hundt has not got the schedule for the second indoor session. Games will be on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday night. Call Gerry Hundt if you would like to work indoor games at ISC.

Entry and refresher level clinics have been scheduled. To sign up for any of the clinics you must register at <http://www.illinoisoccerrefereecommittee.org>. Dates and locations are as follows.

Spanish speaking Entry/Refresher is on Saturday, January 16th and Sunday, January 17th at Guildford High School - 5620 Spring Creek Road, Rockford, IL 61114 (Door #2/(B) - Front Entrance. Clinic time for both days is 8:30am – 5pm. New referees (Entry) must attend both days.

Entry level clinic is on Saturday, January 30th and Sunday, January 31st at the Holiday Inn - 7550 East State St., Rockford, IL 61108 (Room C - downstairs level). Clinic time for both days is 8:30am -5pm.

Recertification clinic is on Sunday, February 7th at Boylan High School - 4000 Saint Francis Dr., Rockford, IL 61103 (Enter through the main entrance). Clinic time is 8:30am – 5pm.

Fitness test is on Saturday, February 27th at Hononegah High School - 307 Salem St., Rockton, IL 61072. Test takes place from 9am – 10:30am.

Recertification clinic is on Saturday, February 27th at Hononegah High School - 307 Salem St., Rockton, IL 61072 (Use the parking lot off Hononegah Road and enter the school building through the main entrance). Clinic time is 11am – 5pm.

Recertification clinic is on Saturday, March 20th at Harlem High School - 1 Huskie Cir., Machesney Park, IL 61115 (Enter the Entrance that has Harlem High School above the door). Clinic time is 8:30am – 5pm.

IYSA Background Checks

All referees over the age of 18 will need to complete a background check to referee IYSA sanctioned league and tournament games. The cost of the background check is \$5. Go to the Illinois Youth Soccer Association web-site at www.iysa.org.

- On the left side, click on "Background Search".
- Read and agree to the Terms and Conditions.
- Using the drop down box, click on **Referee** and then click Go, (be careful not to hit the "scroll" button on your mouse or it may change to a different category, causing delays).
- Follow the instructions in filling out the Volunteer Application/Disclosure Statement/Consent for Background Check.
- Allow **5 to 7 BUSINESS DAYS** for processing!

RASO dues for 2010 are \$10 for student members. Adult memberships are either \$15 for a 1 year membership or \$30 for a 3 year membership. Checks should be made out to RASO and sent to Ronaldo De Matos at 1512 Vassar Rd. Rockford, IL 61103. Dues must be paid by March 1st. Membership forms are on RASOweb.org.

Education – None

Treasurer's Report – The RASO balance is currently \$6500.

Secretary's Report – No Report

Meeting adjourned.