

Tri-Cities Soccer Referees Association

Changes in U.S. Soccer

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From the U.S. Soccer Communications Center:

From: Ryan Mooney - Manager of Referee Education Resources

Re: Referee Education Resources Update

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In an attempt to provide more resources for introductory and intermediate referee training, U.S. Soccer has hired Ryan Mooney into the newly created position of Manager of Referee Education Resources. The Manager of Referee Education Resources will oversee projects specific to referee instruction and manage an Advisory Panel of referee experts. The Manager of Referee Education Resources will also work collaboratively with state associations on additional referee educational materials and resources.

The members of the Advisory Panel of Referee Experts and their responsibilities are listed below:

- o Alfred Kleinaitis now serves as U.S. Soccer's Laws of the Game Advisor and is available for State Referee Administrators to contact directly with questions specific to his role*
- o Nate Clement is responsible for the assignment of National Instructors for In-Service Training sessions and other events as needed*
- o Greg Barkey and Sandra Serafini will be providing editorial and creative support with existing and future education resources (print, online, video, etc.)*

As discussed at the State Referee Administrator Workshop, the Online Training Modules is an example of U.S. Soccer's commitment to improving educational resources while meeting the needs of U.S. Soccer membership. The project will feature an online video series aimed at providing supplemental training information for introductory level referees on the Laws of the Game. The Online Training Modules will also create a valuable online resource accessible to the public and will help serve as a foundation on



What this doesn't say...

I've known of these changes since September. Most of the folks I've talked to are very excited about the new directions U.S. Soccer will be taking in referee training.

I also knew that Paul Tamberino had left U.S. Soccer and returned to New Jersey.

What is new to me is that Brian Hall is moving on to a position in CONCACAF. This is a promotion.

U.S. Soccer has lost two outstanding referee trainers!



which to build a better instructional curriculum.

The Online Training Module series is set for release in early 2011 when the videos will be available online at ussoccer.com.

Please click here for an updated contact list of U.S. Soccer staff that can assist with your refereeing questions and concerns.

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