

TASO-SA FOOTBALL ANNOUNCES SATELLITE CHAPTER PROGRAM

After much coordination and discussion, the board has set-up satellite chapters at four locations; Uvalde, Devine, Kerrville, and Seguin, to give our members some flexibility in fulfilling chapter meeting attendance requirements. Meetings for the satellite chapters begin the week of September 14th, 2009 and will conclude prior to the chapter's last two business meetings of the year (i.e. elections). Leaders for each of these satellite chapters are: **UVALDE** will be led by Jesus 'Chuy' Flores and Scott Bradford; **KERRVILLE**: Jack Thorn; **DEVINE**: Lewis Stroud, and **SEGUIN**: John Wallace

With the exception of new members, who must complete the chapter's training program, all others have the option of attending satellite chapter meetings beginning the week of September 14th in order to receive regular TASO-SA football chapter meeting credit.

It's the intention of the board to make this an enduring program, and we want to thank our members who have volunteered to lead each of the satellite locations.

A few of the program highlights:

Satellite leaders have flexibility to set time and location of their meetings; however, meetings must occur no later than the Wednesday following the regularly scheduled Monday evening general membership meetings.

Satellite chapter agendas will, as a minimum, mirror those topics/issues discussed at the TASO-SA General Membership meetings.

Leaders will be responsible for obtaining meeting agenda/training information from the Vice President, and presenting this information to their satellite chapter members.

Leaders will be responsible for providing attendance sign-in sheets to the respective Division Representatives.

We're excited about the program, and the people who have stepped up to lead these locations. It supports our goal of providing the membership with flexibility to meet annual attendance requirements. Most importantly, this satellite chapter concept provides continuing education, training, camaraderie and fellowship for TASO-SA football chapter members in this great avocation. Take full advantage of the program, and please provide your division representatives with feedback as the season progresses.

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TASO-SA Satellite Chapter Guidelines

The TASO-SA Board recognizes the diverse geographical locations of its football officiating members, and in an effort to provide greater flexibility to comply with meeting attendance requirements, the Board intends to establish satellite chapters.

Satellite chapters will be established in central locations around “concentrations” of officials. Locations are Uvalde area, Devine area, Kerrville area, and Seguin area.

Satellite chapters will be administered in compliance with all San Antonio Football Chapter Policies and By-Laws, as amended.

Satellite chapters will have designated “leaders”, approved by the board.

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Satellite chapter leaders will be responsible for obtaining meeting agenda/training information from the Vice President, and presenting this information to their satellite chapter members.

Satellite chapter leaders will have the flexibility to set the time and location of their meetings; however, meetings must occur no later than the Wednesday following the regularly scheduled Monday evening general membership meetings.

Satellite chapter meetings will begin in September following completion of board-mandated training during the month of August, and end prior to the last two chapter business meetings of the year (i.e. elections)

Meeting dates/times and locations will be provided to the board for dissemination to the general membership.

Satellite chapter leaders will be responsible for providing attendance sign-in sheets to the respective Division Representatives IAW established policies.

TASO-SA members will have the freedom to select which satellite chapter they choose to attend. This EXCLUDES new members.

Satellite chapter attendance policies will mirror San Antonio Football Chapter Policies, specifically, Policy 12, Meeting Attendance.

Satellite chapter leaders are encouraged to utilize the wealth of knowledge and experience of the TASO-SA general membership in the form of guest speakers and creative presentations to fulfill meeting/training requirements.

Board members will be available, and are encouraged to support satellite chapter meetings.