Officials and Rules Advisory Committee (ORAC)  
Report  
November 30, 2014

1. Umpire and Referee Totals (as of Nov 30, 2014)  
   a. Umpires (active): Total 322.  
      1) Club (CU) - 242 including 46 new in 2014.  
      2) Regional (RU) – 28 (1 CU is sitting for the RU exam at the Nationals).  
      3) National (NU) - 4 (3 RU are sitting for the NU exam at the Nationals).  
      5) Inactive umpires – 109. (Memberships need to be renewed to be active).  
   b. Referees (active): Total 90.  
      1) Certified (CR) - 76. There are currently 6 inactive.  
      2) National (NR) - 6.  
      3) Regional (RR) – 1.  
      4) International (IR) - 7, 4 are inactive but active locally.  

2. Umpire/Referee and Classification Activity  
   a) We had 16 different officials participate in a total of 10 international events. We received a total of 10 invitations.  
   b) At the current US Nationals, we have the following umpires taking exams: 3 RU’s taking National Umpire exam and 1 CU taking the Regional Umpire exam.  
   c) Please see additional report from Sharon Frant Brooks.  

3. ORAC Travel Budget  
   a. Proposed 2015 budget –$9,500. The budget provides partial travel for Deputy Referees and umpires to attend foreign tournaments.  

4. In 2014 we saved approximately $21,500 from tournament budgets by using 32 visiting officials. We do not pay travel expenses for visiting officials.  

5. The committee held 2 meetings during 2014. One was an email meeting and the other was a teleconference to finalize the email meeting.  

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