The 2010 Slate of Candidates are being presented this month to the STMA membership. Voting will close December 17, and those elected to the Board of Directors will take office at the Annual Meeting on January 14, 2010. Voting members can submit ballots electronically, via fax or by US mail. Instructions on how to prepare the ballot so that STMA can verify its authenticity, yet maintain the voters’ confidentiality, are included on the ballot.

Abby McNeal, CSFM, STMA’s 2009 President will ascend automatically to the office of Immediate Past President, and Chris Calcaterra, CSFM, the President Elect for 2009 is slated unopposed for President. The 2009 Secretary/Treasurer Troy Smith, CSFM also is slated unopposed for the President Elect.

2010 Slate:
Immediate Past President: Abby McNeal, CSFM, Colorado School of Mines, Golden, CO
President: Chris Calcaterra, M.Ed., CSFM, CPRP, City of Peoria Sports Complex, Peoria, AZ
President-Elect Troy Smith, CSFM, Denver Broncos Football Club, Denver, CO
Commercial VP Chad Price, CSFM, Carolina Green Corp., Indian Trail, NC
Secretary/Treasurer: Jody Gill, CSFM, Blue Valley School District, Overland Park, KS
Mike Goatley, Ph.D., Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
*Professional Larry DiVito, Minnesota Twins, Minneapolis, MN
Facilities:
Higher Education: Ron Hostick, CSFM, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA
David Schlotthauer, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT
*Schools K-12 Martin Kaufman, CSFM, Ensworth Schools, Nashville, TN
Academic: Pam Sherratt, The Ohio State University
John Sorochan, Ph.D., University of Tennessee
Parks and Recreation: Bill Murphy, City of Scottsdale, Scottsdale, AZ
David Pinsonneault, CSFM, CPRP, Town of Lexington, Lexington, MA
*Commercial Vacant (one year left in Chad Price’s term) to be filled by Representative: appointment per Bylaws
At-Large: Kevin Meredith, CSFM, National Soccer Hall of Fame, Oneonta, NY
Mike Tarantino, Poway Unified School District, Poway, CA

*Not up for election – in second year of two-year term

For complete biographies, photos, and to read about each candidate’s vision for STMA, go to the STMA website, www.STMA.org and click on the “About Us” tab, “STMA Election Information.”

Texas STMA helps Pop Warner league

Texas STMA board member Bob Marcotte and crew, in the spirit of service typical of the STMA and Texas A & M University, conducted a training seminar in late September at Henderson Park in Bryan on painting football fields for leaders of the Bryan Buccaneers Pop Warner League. As he watched the first field unfold, league president Joe Menares was heard to exclaim “It’s a real football field!” The following week Menares and his assistants then completed two more fields on their own and were really excited about how professional the field painting looked as they prepared for the Buccaneer’s next home game. Paint for the event was supplied by John Deere Landscapes and paint for the rest of the year was supplied by Pioneer Athletics.

Marcotte is the Athletic Field Maintenance Manager for Texas A & M’s Recreational Sports Department at the Penberthy Intramural Sports Center. Assisting him were volunteers Justin Hale and Chris Prewitt, A & M student workers at Penberthy, and Joshua Morales, a sports management major at A & M. The Buccaneers were represented by Joe Menares, President, along with Kyle Rock, Nick Damon Sr. and Nick Damon, Jr. as volunteers.