

Illinois Youth Soccer Association

Approved Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting September 26, 2015 IYSA Office

Board Members Present: Gus Bender, Bob Berkley, Yianny Caparos, Flo Dyson, Charlie Dyson, Kelly Fairwood, Dave Hicks, Stuart Kasten, Gary Seyring

Board Member Absent and Excused: Salvador Arroyo

Guests: Bill Bruno, Tim Deters, Hugh Orlicz, Caulbert Smith, Mary Jane Bender (recording secretary)

The regular Board Meeting of the Illinois Youth Soccer Association (IYSA) was called to order by the president, Gus Bender, at 9:20 AM.

MOTION

Flo Dyson moved to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting.

Minutes were approved by unanimous consent as corrected.

REFEREE REPORT

Tim Deters presented the Referee Report. Out-of-state referees are required to meet Illinois requirements (background check and concussion training) before being placed on Illinois Referee Database. Charlie Dyson asked that information preparing a new referee for the first game be added to the referee entry course. The Southern Area Referee Administrator position has been eliminated and replaced by the Southern District Registrar position.

The Board asked the IYSA Directors of Coaching to create a Task Force comprised of the Directors of Coaching from the IYSA 5-Star clubs to discuss referee development.

STATE CUP/PRESIDENTS CUP/ILLINOIS CUP/PREMIERSHIP/MRL REPORTS

Bill Bruno reported on the State Cup, Presidents Cup, Open Cup, Illinois Cup, MRL, National League, Premiership Division and Illinois MRL qualifying event. US Youth Soccer Region II will select the Wild Card teams for the US Youth Soccer regionals from MRL. The US Youth Soccer National League will expand to 32 teams. The U14 IYSA State Cup and Presidents Cup will be scheduled in Spring. The Spring 2016 Illinois MRL qualifying event for U13 will use the calendar year age group bracketing. The mandates adopted by US Soccer and US Youth Soccer expedited the age group bracketing by calendar year for IYSA programs involving national events and out-of-state teams starting Fall 2016.

CALENDER YEAR MANDATE

The Board agreed to implement the calendar year age group bracketing for all US Youth Soccer events including but not limited to Illinois State Cup, Presidents Cup, Open Cup, Illinois Cup, IYSA Premiership Division, Illinois MRL, Midwest Regional League, and US Youth Soccer National League starting Fall 2016.

The Board agreed to mandate calendar year bracketing for all IYSA approved tournaments scheduled on or after August 1, 2016.

TOURNAMENT REPORT

Hugh Orlicz presented the Tournament Report. IYSA is making progress regarding the use of uncertified referees at tournaments.

COACHING REPORT

Caulbert Smith presented the Coaching Report. Next Coaches Meeting in Chicago area is on November 18 followed by a coaching webinar for Central/South on November 19. He requested a \$25 US Soccer 'D' coaching course fee increase.

MOTION

Flo Dyson moved to increase the USSF 'D' coaching course fee by \$25. Motion was unanimously approved.

ODP REPORT

Caulbert Smith presented an update on ODP.

IHSA

Mary Jane Bender will draft a letter asking the IHSA to consider allowing Freshmen soccer players only the opportunity to play club soccer league games during their high school soccer season with the condition that high school soccer takes precedence over club soccer games. The letter will be sent to Yianny Caparos prior to October 1, 2015 for presentation to high school administrators and/or presidents.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Gary Seyring presented the Financial Report.

PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Gary Seyring presented the Preliminary Budget.

INVESTMENTS

Stu Kasten presented the Investment Report. The Board asked Stu Kasten to provide an investment analysis for the period 9/1/14 through 8/31/15.

NEW REC LEAGUES

The Board approved the following rec leagues.

MOTION

Flo Dyson moved to accept A & M as a recreational member league. Motion passed unanimously.

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<u>Charlie Dyson moved to accept Tri Township Park dba Troy Soccer Club as a recreational member league. If the league transitions to a separate organization, it will need to resubmit its league application to IYSA. Motion passed unanimously.</u>

MOTION

Flo Dyson moved to accept Team Elmhurst Soccer Club as a recreational member league. Motion passed unanimously.

FUTSAL

The Board agreed to pursue the US Futsal Agreement pending receipt of information regarding IYSA liabilities and responsibilities.

CONSULTING SERVICES

The Board agreed to hire a Management Consulting Company to pursue a grievance against Missouri pending a clarification of the company's billing practices.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into executive session at 2:25

The Board exited the executive session at 3:05 PM.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting of the IYSA is scheduled on December 5, 2015.

Gus Bender declared the Board Meeting adjourned at 3:06 PM.