

**Illinois Youth Soccer Association
Approved Minutes of the February 7, 2009
Board of Directors Meeting
IYSA Offices**

Board Members Present: Salvador Arroyo, Bob Berkley, Gus Bender, Flo Dyson, Peter Glon, Dave Hicks, Stuart Kasten, Marcia McDermott, Gary Seyring

Guests: Bill Bruno, Charlie Dyson, Tom Landi, Ian Mulliner, Jay Ray, Mary Jane Bender (recording secretary)

The regular board meeting of the Illinois Youth Soccer Association was called to order by the president, Gus Bender, at 9:03 AM on Saturday, February 7, 2009 at the association offices. Gus Bender excused Jeff Steinback's absence at this meeting. Gus Bender welcomed Marcia McDermott to the Board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the December 6, 2008 IYSA Board of Directors Meeting were approved.

Yes: Arroyo, Bender, Berkley, Dyson, Glon, Hicks, Kasten, Seyring. Abstain: McDermott. Minutes approved.

The IYSA office will submit to the Board for review a summary of the actionable items from the Board Meeting no later than 14 days from the date of the Board meeting. The Board will submit changes within seven (7) days.

ELECTIONS

Gary Seyring moved to elect Gus Bender as President. Motion unanimously approved.

Gary Seyring moved to elect Dave Hicks as Vice President. Motion unanimously approved.

Gary Seyring moved to elect Stu Kasten as Secretary. Motion unanimously approved.

Gus Bender moved to elect Gary Seyring as Treasurer. Motion unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Gary Seyring answered questions regarding financial audit and income statement.

REFEREE REPORT

Tom Landi presented referee report. Due to health issues, Casey Mitchell was replaced as the State Referee Assignor by Elie Ghawi. The SRC is conducting background searches for referees participating in IYSA activities.

Marcia McDermott left the meeting at 11:23 AM.

STATE CUP REPORT

Bill Bruno asked the Board to consider modifying the Illinois Cup, Illinois State Cup and MRL rules to accommodate teams that were not properly registered with the IYSA by the NISL in compliance with US Youth Soccer National Championship rules.

The IYSA office is to notify affected teams by letter that they have not met the Illinois State Cup, Illinois Cup and MRL requirements and outline specifically what they need to do to satisfy those requirements.

MOTION

Gary Seyring moved that effective immediately, IYSA teams may register and play in more than one competitive IYSA league. Motion unanimously approved.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Ian Mulliner presented the Technical Committee Report. The IYSA Technical Committee shall have only one representative from any one club on the IYSA Technical Committee. New IYSA Technical Committee members may be nominated by any IYSA affiliated club. A member of the IYSA Technical Committee shall recuse himself/herself from any discussion and voting that involves his/her own club.

MOTION

Gary Seyring moved that effective immediately, an open tryout may not be held prior to the last Saturday in May, with the exception for girls U15 and older teams which may not hold an open tryout prior to May 16th. Motion unanimously approved.

COMPETITIVE LEAGUE APPLICATION

MOTION

Gary Seyring moved to delete number 17, 18, 20 on Page 1 and Page 2 from the IYSA Competitive League Application. Motion unanimously approved.

Gary Seyring moved to delete number 4, 12, 13 and 10 on Page 3 as proposed on the IYSA Competitive League Application. Gary Seyring will submit amendment for number 3 to the Board at the next Board meeting. Motion unanimously approved.

Gary Seyring moved to delete number 15, 16, 22 and amend 20 and 27 as proposed on the IYSA Competitive League Application. Motion unanimously approved.

MOTION

Gary Seyring moved that effective immediately, an organization applying for IYSA Competitive League status must be a non-profit. Yes: Arroyo, Bender, Berkley, Dyson, Hicks, Kasten, Seyring No: Glon

MOTION

Dave Hicks moved to change the IYSA Competitive League Application deadline to six (6) months. Motion unanimously approved.

LEAGUE LETTER OF INTENT

Board agreed by consensus that each IYSA affiliated league submit to the IYSA by March 31, 2009 their letter of intent to register their teams with the IYSA for the upcoming soccer year.

BACKGROUND CHECKS

The IYSA and e7sports do not market or resell any background check information. It is illegal to sell social security and driver's license information.

MOTION

Flo Dyson moved to change IYSA Rule 023 Team Eligibility, Section 1 (5) as follows effective 9/1/09. Motion unanimously approved.

(Effective 9/1/09) The team must compete in an IYSA affiliated league during the current soccer year. With the exception of the U19 age group the league competition must consist of a minimum of one (1) game against not less than three (3) different teams participating in the league.

MOTION

Dave Hicks moved to change RM Policy 019 as presented. Motion unanimously approved.

MARKETING

US Youth Soccer is considering creating its own referee program and will be asking US Soccer to mandate small-sided games.

The Board approved \$5000 in marketing funds be available for use by the IYSA to market itself to be more competitive.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into executive session at 3:00 PM.

Gus Bender declared the Board meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next IYSA Board meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2009.