

# **Illinois Youth Soccer Association**

Approved Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting February 4, 2017 IYSA Offices

Board Members Present: Gus Bender, Bob Berkley, Charlie Dyson, Flo Dyson, Kelly Fairwood, Dave Hicks, Stuart Kasten, Dale Litney.

Board Members Absent and Excused: Salvador Arroyo, Jake Mooney.

Guests: Johann Arneson, Bill Bruno, Tim Deters, Chris Jamrozy, Ale Jurado, Hugh Orlicz, Jonathon Orlicz, Jay Ray, Ivan Rico, Gary Seyring, Terry Seyring, Caulbert Smith, 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 9:05 AM.

Gus introduced the new IYSA Board Member and Recreational Program Director Dale Litney.

### **ELECTIONS**

The following officers were elected by acclamation.

PRESIDENT Gus Bender
VICE PRESIDENT Dave Hicks
SECRETARY Stu Kasten
TREASURER Flo Dyson

#### **MOTION**

Stu Kasten moved to approve minutes of the December 10, 2016 IYSA Board of Directors Meeting. Minutes were unanimously approved.

### STATE CUP, PRESIDENTS CUP, ILLINOIS CUP

Bill Bruno presented the State Cup, Presidents Cup, Illinois Cup Reports. More teams have applied to participate in the IYSA tournaments. He reported that the new format for the Illinois Cup and the inclusion of a 19/20 division in the Illinois State Cup are an overwhelming success.

## MRL & STATE PREMIERSHIP DIVISION

The IYSA Board of Directors discussed changing the Illinois MRL qualifying event to include the 2004 birth year Development Academy teams.

#### MOTION

<u>Bob Berkley made the motion to keep the current IYSA MRL qualifying policy. Motion passed unanimously.</u>

#### REFEREE REPORT

Tim Deters presented the Referee Report. The ISRC is in the middle of clinic season. They implemented an online payment system. ISRC is sending 28 referees to the US Youth Soccer National Championship Series regionals and more referees to the Presidents Cup regionals. Charlie Dyson's articles are being included in the referee entry clinics and posted on the ISRC website. Greg Dopka and Becky Pagan were selected as national referees and Art Arustamyan as a national AR. The ISRC is in the process of selecting referees to

the ISRC Youth Referee Mentoring Program. The purpose is to provide opportunities and to develop referees. The IWSL is sponsoring five referee clinics, two of which are specifically for women.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Gary Seyring presented the Financial Report.

### INVESTMENT REPORT

Stu Kasten presented the Investment Report. IYSA gained 8.5% in 2016 and had a good start in 2017. The IYSA has retained its conservative and secure funds.

### **COACHING REPORT**

Ivan Rico stated that USSF is offering small-sided game courses to meet the needs of the beginning coach. The A licensed coaches who did not renew their license by the US Soccer deadline lost their A license. The next IYSA Coaches Meeting is on March 15 at the IYSA and March 16 in Springfield.

### **ODP REPORT**

Caulbert Smith and Jonathan Orlicz presented the ODP Report. IYSA is hosting its first ODP College Showcase involving ODP teams from Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and Michigan on February 11 & 12 at the Athletico Center in Northbrook. 11 Illinois ODP teams will be participating in the Memphis Showcase for ODP teams from nine State Associations on February 18-20.

### TOURNAMENT REPORT

Hugh Orlicz presented the Tournament Report. He is in the process of concluding the mandatory IYSA Tournament Directors and Tournament Assignor meetings.

### RECREATIONAL REPORT

Dale Litney suggested that the IYSA host a tournament for the 5-Star IYSA recreational member league teams. Chris Jamrozy will review the possibility of including a 5-Star rec division in the IYSA Illinois Festival.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Gus Bender will invite an accounting company to make a presentation about forming a Foundation at the next IYSA Board Meeting.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board went into Executive Session at 12:15 pm.

The Board exited the Executive Session at 2:25 pm.

# **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The 2017 Board Meetings of Illinois Youth Soccer are tentatively scheduled on April 8, July 8, September 16 and December 9 at the offices of the IYSA.

Gus Bender declared the Board Meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM.