

MSYSA Board Meeting
Minutes
February 16, 2011
221 5th Avenue, S.E., Glen Burnie, MD

The following members were present: Ben Neil, Arlene Rodway, Bob Deegan, Linda Norton, Matt Libber, Bill Quinn, Rich Ruiz, Mike Basileo, Ray Greenberg, Gina Clapp, Gerry DiBartolo, Rich Fabrizio, Mark Molloy, Mark Cantor, and Cliff Walcott

Additional Attendees: Marie Langford, Bill Stara, Carmen Juliano, Craig Peterson, Kevin Healey, and Steve Nichols

Not in attendance: Joe Barger, Scott Estlick

President Ben Neil called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. The January Minutes were approved as presented.

Ben Neil – President

Ben reported on a complaint concerning the Patuxent Tournament, the Gibson threat of a lawsuit and lack of documentation.

At this time, Ben welcomed Kevin Healey, President of Baltimore Soccer Club, and Steve Nichols, who asked to present information to the MSYSA Board of Directors relative to a complaint of one of its coaching instructors. After hearing the facts and discussion of a particular instructor, Bill Stara will address the issue with the coaching instructor and decide course of action.

Matt Libber then thanked Kevin Healey for making DuBurns arena conference room available free of charge to the MSYSA Maryland State Cup draw.

Executive Vice President – Arlene Rodway

Arlene reported that she and Marie attended the USYSA Workshop in Las Vegas. While there were no issues to vote on, US Youth tried to ask for a \$0.50 fee increase. Arlene also reported on the Presidents' Cup. While there aren't the larger numbers expected, she has received more applications and interest in the tournament.

1st Vice President – Matt Libber

Matt reported that 202 teams applied to the MD Cup this year. He has turned away teams due to missed deadlines and coaches not having the necessary background checks. Matt had handouts that included those teams that applied for State Cup and the Presidents' Cup by age group and male/female representation.

The Cup Draw and Training is scheduled at Du Burns for Saturday, February 19 – 9:00 a.m. training and 11:30 Cup Draw.

2nd Vice President – Gina Clapp

Gina reported on the ODP Scholarship meeting, where 32 applications were received (23 boys and 9 girls). The Scholarships were apportioned and applicants were notified of the awards.

3rd Vice President – Cliff Walcott

Cliff reported on the Frederick Double Nickel League, which is a 5x5 league with no reported scores. He is working with Jim Oman – the league is catching on. He is going to begin a quarterly newsletter for recreation-classic teams and August 13 or 20th there will be a rec-classic tournament at Covenant Park.

Registrar – Michael Basileo

Mike reported on the Beltway League and ways registrars could approve their rosters (i.e., no new cards when a team changes leagues. A question regarding whether a registrar could change what is written on the card. This can't be done yet. The Team Transfer function was discussed and the need for the clubs to have these controls within their club.

Affiliates: Greater Laurel United S.C. was approved by email due to timing. In addition, Bob Deegan made a motion to approve and Matt Libber seconded Boonsboro S.C. as an affiliate member, with a friendly amendment to ask their name be changed so not to be confused with another Boonsboro affiliate.

Mike mentioned the Green Turtle would be demitting their membership (they are represented by one girls team).

Secretary – Linda Norton

Nothing new to report.

Treasurer – Bob Deegan

Bob presented six Financial Reports consisting of a Balance Sheet and P&L and took the time to explain in detail what the reports are really telling us. [Bob has done an excellent job reporting the finances of MSYSA to the BOD.]

Regional Commissioners –

No reports.

President - Ben Neil

July 31 Manchester United will be playing In Landover. MSYSA will reap the benefits of the match. In addition, there will be possibly as many as 2 or 3 International matches in the foreseeable future.

Coaching – Bill Stara

Bill praised Mark Molloy for all his effort in sorting the Adidas apparel for the players and coaches this season. It was a huge effort and the entire BOD thanked him for his tireless efforts. In addition, Carmen was instrumental in handing out the ODP uniforms and apparel for the coaches. Bill also handed out the full practice field schedule – this year, all turf fields.

Bill reported on the coaching course schedule and noted that an E course has been added in Huntingtown. In addition, he is still searching for a club to host a C course.

Bill mentioned that he will address the coaching issue brought forward by Kevin Healey and Steve Nichols earlier in the meeting.

Executive Director – Marie Langford

Nothing new to report.

SYRA – Craig Peterson

Nothing to new report.

Good of the Game –

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.