



MSYSA
Executive Board Meeting
October 19, 2011

Call to Order- 7:06 PM

Following members were present: Ray Greenberg, Bob Deegan, Rich Fabrizio, Gina Clapp, Claire Filemyr, Cliff Walcott, Rich Ruiz, and Mark Cantor - **Quorum Present**

Not in attendance: Gerry DiBartolo, Alan Buster, Victor Della Mea, Bill Quinn, Mike Basileo, Mark Molloy

Others Present: Carmen Juliano, Marie Langford, Bill Stara and Craig Peterson

Guests: none

Approval of Minutes - Approved by unanimous consent

Marie Langford, Executive Director

- There are 9 Clubs in bad standing but one check was received today.
- The application for membership from Collegiate Boys Academy was approved contingent upon the inclusion of girls in their program. The Academy has declined membership since their program is currently designed only for boys.
- A timeline for President's Cup and State Cup has been circulated for comment.
- A review of fees charged for State Cup across the region shows that larger states with more players tend to charge less while smaller states charge more.

Bill Stara, Technical Director - submitted report

Motion By Gina Clapp - To approve Johan Devicq and Joshua Bonnin as candidates for the Goalkeeping and ODP staff

Second Rich Ruiz

Discussion

Motion approved

- Project 100 has better than 400 signed up for tryouts
- USSF is rolling out new training modules. The E certificate will be become a license. State Associations must follow USS guidelines. There will be field testing at the end of the course. The online E course will be removed. Licenses for those currently holding an E will be grandfathered for MSYSA requirements. The NSCAA Course equivalent to the E would be the Advanced Regional Diploma which has no prerequisite. The Regional

diploma (Level 5) would not be sufficient for MSYSA requirements going forward from June.

- MSYSA has scheduled and filled an E course in November
- Coaches may take the online course through USYS and the field portion will be offered in MD free of charge

Motion by Cliff Walcott - To accept Lincoln Phillips for the educational staff

Second by Gina Clapp

Motion passes

Reports of Officers:

Regional Commissioners - no report

At-large Directors - no report

Claire Filemyr, Secretary - As a result of the adoption of club passes for the NCS, a club affiliation line will need to be added to the player registration card

Bob Deegan, Treasurer - report submitted

Mike Basileo, Registrar - not present

Cliff Walcott, 3rd Vice President, Recreational - The Baltimore City Parks and People Foundation will be meeting with Cliff and Bill Stara at the MSYSA office.

Gina Clapp, 2nd Vice President, ODP - Finalized those attending the International ODP trips

Germany/Amsterdam - Ray Greenberg

Italy - Rich Ruiz

Scotland - Gina Clapp

London - Mark Cantor

Manchester - Bob Deegan

Ray Greenberg, President -

- ODP budgets are in the negative and Region I still subsidizes the program. Region I leagues make up the deficit. Bob Palmeiro recommended that we pass the budget with these deficits.
- Region I no longer has a contract with Adidas. Bob is working on putting in place a new contract by January.
- Region I did not receive any requests from clubs for the grant money offered as a result hurricane Irene and very few request for Top Soccer or Soccer Start grant money.
- Region I has over 3 million in reserve funds. Bob Palmeiro is willing to spend \$300K for 15 vehicles, one for each state. That is \$20K toward the purchase of a vehicle for MSYSA. We need to choose either a Chevy Equinox or Traverse. Bob will negotiate the deal. We can sell or keep our current vehicle.
- The following applies to teams participating in the Premier League: continuity of rostered players (9), and the club pass will be allowed for teams that completed their state cup in the fall. The roster will be frozen 72 hours before the first game of the competition.

- Club Pass issue - no provision in the rules for multi-rostered players. The rule should limit club pass to primary club. This will be brought up at the next USYSA board meeting.

Committee Reports

Ray Greenberg, Adjudication - none

Mike Sidlak, Risk Management - not present

Craig Peterson, SYRA – no report

Old Business

- Registration manual - ongoing
- Financial Policy Update - ongoing
- Bylaws revision - ongoing
- Digital pictures on player passes - ongoing
- State Cup fees - ongoing
- Administrator of the Year and Coach of the Year nominations - ongoing
- Presidents Cup head - ongoing

New Business

- MSYSA is looking at other background check companies for possible use as a single vendor:
 - Vendors need to be researched to come up with one company for all of MSYSA and an appeal process implemented. Cost and quality of the vendors should be part of the review.
 - Standards and criteria must be uniform.
 - Red light determination should be an automatic suspension.
 - A coach may appeal the decision and the appeal should come to the state.
- Concussions – Should MSYSA implement baseline cognitive tests to determine playability after injury? Some states do this for all ODP players. Online tests can be repeated until the baseline is reached. Could be mandatory for ODP and made available for member clubs. A webinar will be set up for a future meeting.

Good of the Game - Ice and bags should be made available at ODP tryouts for potential injury.

Executive Session

Meeting Adjourned: 8:58 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Claire Filemyr, MSYSA Secretary