MICHIGAN STATE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION **Board of Directors Meeting**

Monday, March 25, 2013

This Board of Director's Meeting of the Michigan Youth Soccer Association was called to order on Monday, March 25, 2013 by President Sohail Qureshi at 6:31pm at the MSYSA State Office in Plymouth, Michigan.

Board Members Present: Sohail Oureshi, Gil Urban, Robin Crawford, Mike Poulos, Marcia Kaline, Francisco Villarruel, Rick Jacob, Andrew

Klackiewicz (teleconference), Yvonne Curtis, John Hall, Denise Moote, Pete Fenwick, Wendy Zielen, Oscar Castaneda

Board Members Excused: Gerhard Mengel, Dianna Dykstra Administrators Present: Tom Faro, Bryan Thorp, Josh Sherman

The Meeting Minutes for February 16, 2013 will be filed for audit.

March is a **Reporting** month.

President's Report: Sohail Qureshi

Sohail discussed trends within various soccer organizations (US Youth Soccer, AYSO, SAY, etc.) and reported on how MSYSA has made adjustments.

MSYSA is no longer dependent on sponsorship. MSYSA is focusing on new recreational programs.

US Youth Soccer has invited State Association Presidents & State Executive Directors to attend a US Youth Soccer Summit in Dallas, TX April 26-28, 2013.

MSYSA will explore a scouting program that will assist in identifying players for ODP and our ODP101 programs.

MSYSA, in conjunction with the US Soccer Centennial, will host an Arabic 'E' Coaching Course in August, 2013.

MSYSA now offers direct members (affiliated leagues) of MSYSA Employee & Volunteer Dishonesty Crime Coverage.

Vice President's Report: Gil Urban

No report.

Treasurer's Report: Robin Crawford

Proposed Budget Adjustments for FY '13 were presented.

Motion: (Yvonne Curtis) To approve the proposed FY '13 Budget Adjustments (FY13-02 through FY13-16) as submitted by Tom Faro.

Second: Pete Fenwick

Motion: Passed unanimously.

Secretary Report: Mike Poulos

No report.

MSPSP Chairperson Report: Marcia Kaline

No report.

MSA Report: Gerhard Mengel

Excused.

SYRA Report: Francisco Villarruel

Referee certifications are almost complete. There is a slight decrease in referee registrations from the prior year.

Recreational Director Report: Rick Jacob

No report.

North District Report: Andrew Klackiewicz

Excused.

Metro East District Report: Yvonne Curtis

No report.

West District Report: John Hall

John Hall mentioned that there is new competition within the West District.

Metro Southwest Report: Denise Moote

No report.

Metro Central District Report: Pete Fenwick

Pete has made introductory communication with the League Presidents within the Metro Central District.

Nominating Committee Report: Wendy Zielen

No report.

Soccer Across America Committee Report: Oscar Casteneda

No report.

Director of Coaching Report: Bryan Thorp

Bryan Thorp indicated press releases and other promotional materials will be disseminated soon outlining the new recreational programs. Bryan also indicated that the new recreational programs are open to all. There is an additional fee for non-members.

Executive Director's Report: Tom Faro

Tom Faro thanked the MSYSA Staff for their efforts at the recent Awards Ceremony and Annual General Meeting.

Indicated that US Youth Soccer has signed an agreement with Nike. MSYSA is committed to Under Armour through 2016.

Through the Board's approval of the Budget Adjustments, MSYSA now funds recreational grants (15K) for existing recreational tournaments of MSYSA.

Currently, there are 34 participants registered for the MSYSA Administrator's Workshop Sessions being held on Sunday, April 14.

Initial registration payments for Spring Registration were due on Monday, March 25, 2013 (80%). The balance (20%) of registration payments is due to MSYSA by April 25, 2013.

Futsal is a provisional member with US Soccer. US Soccer will vote on Futsal's direct member request at their June 2013 AGM.

Working with the Saginaw Local Organizing Committee on the 2016 Midwest Regionals Bid. The Regional RFP now mandates that the State Association pay the Region \$30,000 to host the event.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion took place on the Region II's Presidents Cup Criteria for team participation from MSYSA. Gil Urban indicated a report will be presented at the next Board of Director's meeting for the Board to review/consider.

The Upper Peninsula Futsal League affiliation application will be tabled until after the 2013 US Soccer Annual General Meeting where Futsal's direct member status will be voted on.

New Business:

2013 MSYSA Committee Chair Appointments:

Poaching & Illegal Recruiting Committee Chairperson – Ruth Dober Recreational Committee Chairman – Rick Jacob Risk Management Committee Chairman – Tom Faro Soccer Across America Committee Chairman – Oscar Castaneda TOPSoccer Committee Chairperson – Dianna Dykstra

Motion: (Francisco Villarruel) To approve the 2013 MSYSA Committee Chair Appointments as presented by Sohail Qureshi.

Second: Gil Urban

Motion: Passed unanimously.

Motion: (Gil Urban) To reschedule the initially scheduled April 22, 2013 MSYSA Board of Director's meeting to Saturday, April 13, 2013 at around 4:00pm at the Marriott in Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Second: Denise Moote

Motion: Passed unanimously.

Sohail Qureshi instructed Josh Sherman, in collaboration with the five MSYSA District Commissioners, to propose new MSYSA district boundaries for consideration by the MSYSA Board of Directors by July 1, 2013.

Discussion took place regarding proposed strategic initiatives. The initiatives are still in draft form but will be disseminated to the Board in advance of the upcoming Strategic Planning Meeting.

For the Good of the Game:

The next MSYSA Board of Directors Meeting has been rescheduled from Monday, April 22, 2013 to Saturday, April 13, 2013 at 4:00pm at the Marriott in Ypsilanti, Michigan.

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Michael Bulos

Mike Poulos, Secretary

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