

MICHIGAN STATE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, February 24, 2014

This Board of Director's Meeting of the Michigan Youth Soccer Association was called to order on Monday, February 24, 2014 by President Sohail Qureshi at 6:29pm at the MSYSA State Office, 9401 General Drive, Suite 120, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

Board Members Present: Sohail Qureshi, Gil Urban, Robin Crawford, Mike Poulos, Gerhard Mengel, Marcia Kaline, Fransico Villarruel, Rick Jacob, Andrew Klackiewicz (teleconference), John Hall, Denise Moote, Pete Fenwick, Oscar Castaneda and Wendy Zielen

Board Members Excused: Yvonne Curtis and Dianna Dykstra

Administrators Present: Tom Faro and Josh Sherman

Administrators Excused: Paul Thomas

The Meeting Minutes for January 27, 2014 will be filed for audit.

February is a **Reporting** month.

Motion (Gil Urban): To go into Executive Session.

Second: Marcia Kaline

Discussion: None

Motion: Passed.

Executive Session concluded at 6:41pm.

President's Report: Sohail Qureshi

Sohail will be traveling to NYC for the upcoming US Soccer Annual General Meeting. He indicated that a US Youth Soccer Governance Committee Meeting will take place to review the latest proposed revisions to the US Youth Soccer Bylaws proposed by the Governance Committee.

Sohail indicated that he has been appointed to the US Soccer Youth Task Force Committee. He attended a meeting as part of this Committee in Philadelphia during the NSCAA Convention. Sohail indicated that discussions took place regarding Organization Member Risk Management Programs as well as US Soccer providing a Youth Coaching Curriculum for Player Development.

A US Club PDP event was recently scheduled to take place in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Sohail indicated it was cancelled due to lack of participation.

Vice President's Report: Gil Urban

No Report.

Treasurer's Report: Robin Crawford

Reported Submitted.

Secretary's Report: Mike Poulos

No report.

MSPSP Chairperson Report: Marcia Kaline

Marcia indicated that MSPSP has worked with Paul Thomas, MSYSA Director of Coaching, on sponsoring two USSF 'E' License Coaching Courses. The courses will be held on March 1-2, 2014 at Delta College and March 29-30, 2014 at MVP Sports in Grand Rapids, Michigan. These courses are free to participants.

Marcia indicated that the Premier Program may explore the possibility of sponsoring a USSF 'D' License Coaching Course in the future.

MSA (Adult) Report: Gerhard Mengel

Gerhard indicated that the Great Lakes Women's League is seeking female players (U18 and up) to participate in their League for the upcoming season and asked if MSYSA could assist MSA with this matter.

SYRA Report: Francisco Villarruel

Report Submitted.

Chico indicated that the implementation of Game Officials is still going forward. They experienced a technical issue in the system recently. Chico indicated that the matter was resolved in a timely manner. He indicated that an evaluation of the Game Officials system will take place in the fall.

Chico responded to questions relating to the changes in the USSF referee grades and how they may affect officials in various leagues in Michigan.

Recreation Director Report: Rick Jacob

Rick indicated that Paul Thomas, MSYSA Director of Coaching, has reached out to him requesting his assistance on various sites to host a USSF 'D' License Coaching Course.

North District Report: Andrew Klackiewicz

Andrew hosted the North District Commissioner Meeting on Saturday, February 22, 2014 at the Holiday Inn Express in Saginaw, Michigan at 4:00pm. At his meeting, he provided a review of the various Bylaw & Rule proposals as well as a summary on the candidates nominated for elected office.

Metro East Report: Yvonne Curtis

Excused.

West District Report: John Hall

John indicated that the West District Commissioner Meeting took place on Tuesday, February 11, 2014 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. John indicated that discussions took place regarding various playing formats within the West District.

John provided an overview of the discussion that took place at the West District Meeting on GVSA's proposal regarding MSPSP.

Metro Southwest Report: Denise Moote

Denise indicated that the Metro-Southwest District Commissioner Meeting took place on Saturday, February 15, 2014. Out of the 26 Leagues in the Metro-Southwest District, 15 Leagues were represented at the meeting. Denise indicated that a review of each Bylaw and Rule proposal took place and that much discussion took place regarding the proposed amendment to MSPSP.

Metro Central Report: Pete Fenwick

Pete indicated that he scheduled the Metro-Central District Commissioner Meeting on Saturday, February 15, 2014. However, the meeting was cancelled due to lack of participation.

Nominating Committee Report: Wendy Zielen

No report.

Soccer Across America Report: Oscar Castaneda

Oscar indicated that US Youth Soccer has appointed a new Chairman to the Soccer Across American Committee. Oscar met with the new Chairman in Philadelphia during the NSCAA Convention. Oscar indicated that the Committee may propose some financial request(s) to the US Youth Soccer Board of Directors as well as evaluate new ways to provide opportunities to participate in the program.

TOPSoccer Report: Dianna Dykstra

Excused.

Executive Director's Report: Tom Faro

Report Submitted.

Tom indicated that a Concussion Policy will be presented to the Board of Directors soon for their review.

MSYSA has finalized a sponsorship agreement with Fine Designs. Eurosport will be donating gift cards for the upcoming MSYSA AGM. Also, MSYSA and other State Associations in the Midwest, are in discussions with Meijer.

Tom indicated that the State Cup, Jr. State Cup and MRL are underway.

The U5/6 Online Youth Module is in the testing phase and will be launched before the MSYSA AGM.

Paul Thomas is currently observing MSYSA Director's Academy teams and coaches.

Director of Coaching Report: Paul Thomas

Excused.

A written report was submitted.

Unfinished Business:

The MSYSA District Commissioners provided brief reports on their recently conducted District Meetings.

New Business:

A discussion took place regarding the MSYSA Sanctioned Tournaments and the possibility of increasing Guest Player Limits and/or allowing Club Passing. Additional details will be provided to the Board of Directors in advance of the next Board Meeting for their review and consideration.

Denise Moote indicated that a new league within the Metro-Southwest District seeks affiliation (Michigan Yemen Sports Assoc) with MSYSA.

Denise indicated that she will have additional materials and details available at the next Board of Directors Meeting.

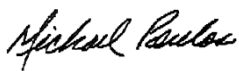
For the Good of the Game:

A discussion took place regarding the possibility of an international friendly being hosted on August 2, 2014 at the University of Michigan.

The next scheduled Board of Director's meeting will take place on Saturday, March 8, 2014 (Non-Reporting) at 8:00am at the Greektown Casino (Prior to the AGM). A Board of Director's meeting will take place immediately following the AGM (Reporting) at the Greektown Casino.

The next regular scheduled meeting (Non-Reporting) of the Board of Directors will take place on Monday, April 28, 2014 at 6:30pm at the MSYSA State Office.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.



Mike Poulos, Secretary
Michigan State Youth Soccer Association, Inc.