

MICHIGAN STATE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, January 21, 2019

This Board of Director's Meeting of the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association was called to order on Monday, January 21, 2019 by President Robin Crawford at 6:30pm at the MSYSA State Office located at 9401 General Drive, Suite 120, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

Board Members Present: Robin Crawford, Andrew Klaczkiwicz (teleconference), Gerhard Mengel, Mike Poulos, Wendy Zielen, Yvonne Curtis, Denise Moote (teleconference), David Jagodzinski (teleconference), Steve McGuirk (teleconference until 7:01pm), Ron Grobbel, Doug Prim, Matt Solek (teleconference)

Board Members Excused: Brian Scherzer

Administrators Present: Tom Faro, Josh Sherman, Mark Zathey, Danielle Guzman, Julie Pearson

Committee Chairpersons: Mark Klein (MSYSA Bylaws & Standing Rules Chairperson)

This is a **Reporting** month.

The Board Meeting Minutes for the November Board of Directors Meetings to be filed for audit. Minutes approved with no corrections.

President's Report: Robin Crawford

Robin relayed that Josh Sherman is moving to Missouri in mid-February to be closer to family. Robin thanked Josh for his 8 years of full-time service and friendship.

At the USYS National Council Meeting, the State Associations passed a \$1.25 increase per player. (This year, a 50c increase will come out of Regional Reserves.) This means that MSYSA does not need to pay anything more for this past Fall and the upcoming Spring season. Beginning in Fall 2019, the full \$1.25 increase per player, in addition to the existing \$1.00 per player fee, will be required from USYS.

The MSYSA proposed budgets for FY '19, '20 & '21 do not reflect an increase in member fees.

Danielle/Tom will present an athlete & participant safety program. This is required by US Soccer. We must include these specific components as part of our overall Risk Management program, to take effect on or before September 1, 2019.

Once approved, this should be considered a 'working document' and it will be reviewed by our legal counsel prior to US Soccer's February 14 deadline.

The MSA Hall of Fame Dinner is on February 2, 2019 from 5 PM to 10 PM at the San Marino Club in Troy. We've reserved a table for the event. If you are interested in attending, please let Julie know as soon as possible.

The USSF AGM is in Scottsdale, AZ from 2/14 to 2/17. Robin will be attending with Andrew and Tom Faro.

Vice President's Report: Andrew Klaczkiwicz

Conference recap – Disappointed with fee increase, but overall pleased with the conference.

Treasurer's Report: Mike Poulos

Report Submitted.

Mike indicated that total revenue for the month ending December 31, 2018 is \$1,350,659 with expenses totaling \$657,996 resulting in net profit of \$962,663 on the month, to date.

MSPSP Chairperson Report: Wendy Zielen

MSPSP finalized a new logo. Some shirts with the new logo are available, if any board members would like a shirt, please see Tyler.

MSPSP recently announced a new Charitable Donations policy. You can find the form and policy on the MSPSP website. Team registration is one down over prior spring season and may match last year's numbers.

MSA (Adult) Report: Gerhard Mengel

The MSA Hall of Fame dinner is on 2/2/19 with special guest speaker Hank Steinbrecher.

SYRA Report: Ron Grobbel

Conference recap – Referee sessions were good, but limited.
Provided update with new US Soccer ‘Officials Connect’ platform for referees.

Recreation Director Report: Brian Scherzer

Excused

North District Report: Matt Solek

No report

Metro East Report: Yvonne Curtis

Inquired about a Risk Management issue. Yvonne will provide Robin and Tom with more information.

West District Report: Doug Prim

No report

Metro Southwest Report: Denise Moote

No report

Metro Central Report: David Jagodzinski

No report

Nominating Committee Report: Steve McGuirk

No report

Executive Director’s Report: Tom Faro

Advised Board that Josh Sherman has agreed to continue working for MSYSA on a part time basis. A open position will be posted soon.

MSYSA plans to continue with Got Soccer this Fall.

Safe Sport – The Safe Sport API is now available in Got Soccer. An access code is required in order to get the training at no cost. Th access code can be found on our website and is also posted in Got Soccer.

An LOC Meeting in Brighton on Wednesday (1/23/19).

The AGM book will be finalized and posted soon.

Technical Director: Mark Zathey

D license wrapped up in January.

In-services are being scheduled by Mark and Paul for the spring season. More information to follow.

Grassroot instructor licenses – Ben Jones, James Renton are under-going certification at the moment with Brian Goyings getting their certification next year.

Ohio North did not come in for our ODP Sub-Regional event last weekend due to weather.

We received great feedback from the Pulisic Symposium. It was very well received by all who attended.

USSF Technical Advisors and Club Advisors – Technical advisors and club advisors have been hired by USSF for club development throughout the country.

Women’s Coaching Committee – Mary Kay would like to go ahead with the committee on the proviso she has assistance from her peers. More information to come.

ODP state teams will be named and rostered players will be sent to the region.

MLS Club Development Academy Scouts are now attending ODP events for recruitment.

Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business to be conducted.

New Business:

2020 Tryout Date (Proposed June 13, 2020) has been moved to February BOD meeting.

Tom and Danielle presented the Athlete and Participant Safety Program. This is a “working document” that will be reviewed by both US Soccer and MSYSA legal counsel. The main points of the document are:

- Background Screening Policy which is similar to our existing Risk Management policy
- Mandatory Reporting Policy – covers who has to report abuse
- Training and Education Policy
- Prohibited Conduct Policy is equivalent to the US Youth Soccer code of conduct policy which we already have in place.
- Policy to limit one on one interactions between adults and minors
- Policy on monitoring and enforcement

Motion (Andrew Klaczkiewicz): To adopt, as a working document, the MSYSA Athlete Participant Safety Program on February 14, 2019, to effect compliance on or before September 1, 2019, pending review by our legal counsel and the MSYSA Board of Directors and due to protentional revisions from US Soccer.

Second: Mike Poulos

Motion: Passed


For the Good of the Game:

The next MSYSA Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 25, 2019 - at 6:30pm at the MSYSA State Office (non-reporting month).

Regional Presidents Cup has 158 teams participating in 2019.

The MLS final had two players from Michigan playing.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18pm.



Tom Faro, Executive Director
Michigan State Youth Soccer Association, Inc.