

**MICHIGAN STATE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**September 22, 2008**

This Board of Director's meeting of the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association was called to order on September 22, 2008, by President Sohail Qureshi at 6:30 PM at the MSYSA State Office in Plymouth, MI.

**Board Members Present:** Sohail Qureshi, Robin Crawford, Ruth Dober, Dave Mashni, Yvonne Curtis, Pete Morrissey, Gil Urban, Mike Polous, Marcia Kaline, Dan Raben, and Gerhard Mengel

**Board Members Absent:** Bill Thiess and Rob Erb

**Administrators Present:** Joel Dragan, Mark Zathey, and Melissa Campbell

**Guests:** Francisco Villarruel on behalf of the Referee Committee, Wendy Zeilen on behalf of the Grants Committee, and Raul Garza

**Risk Management Hearing:**

-Raul Garza pled his case for Risk Management approval. The MSYSA Board of Directors asked Mr. Garza several questions regarding his behaviors and role within the soccer community.

6:45: MSYSA Board of Directors goes to an executive session.

7:09: MSYSA Board of Directors return from Executive Session.

-At this point Premier Program Chair Dave Mashni left the board meeting (7:09pm)

**President's Report:** Sohail Qureshi

A report was submitted.

-A discussion took place regarding the MSYSA Discipline and Appeals process.

-A continuing discussion took place regarding the tryout deadline. Several dates were examined and upon board review more will be discussed at the October board meeting.

**Vice President's Report:** Bill Thiess

Absent. No report was submitted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Robin Crawford

A report was submitted.

**Secretary's Report:** Ruth Dober

No report was submitted.

**Premier Program Chair's Report:** Dave Mashni

A report was submitted.

**Michigan Soccer Association President:** Gerhard Mengel

No report was submitted.

-MSA Hall of Fame Banquet October 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:00pm.

-Michigan Soccer Sports Hall of Fame: A discussion took place regarding a sports hall of fame for soccer players and coaches young and old.

**SYRA's Report:** Pete Morrissey

No report was submitted.

-SYRA Pete Morrissey asked that all District Commissioners be aware of who is doing the assigning for each different league of play in their district.

-A discussion took place regarding insurance for referees.

**Recreation Director's Report:** Rob Erb

Absent. No Report was submitted.

**North District Commissioner's Report:** Dan Raben

A report was submitted.

**Metro Southwest District Commissioner's Report:** Mike Poulos

No report was submitted.

**Metro Central District Commissioner's Report:** Marcia Kaline

No report was submitted.

**Metro East District Commissioner's Report:** Yvonne Curtis

No report was submitted.

**West District Commissioner's Report:** Gil Urban

A report was submitted.

-West District Commissioner Gil Urban created a Risk Management packet for new member leagues.

**Director of Coaching's Report:** Dan Raben and Mark Zathey

A report was submitted.

-A discussion took place regarding upcoming coaching courses

-Directors of Coaching Dan Raben and Mark Zathey will attend the Region II DOC meeting on September 25<sup>th</sup>.

-A Discussion took place regarding the process of setting up coaching courses.

-The MSYSA Board of Directors continued to discuss US Club verses MSYSA member benefits

-A Discussion took place regarding Club Passcards and roster changes within MSYSA and US Club

**Executive Director's Report:** Tom Frisbie

Absent. A report was submitted.

-A discussion took place regarding MSYSA Annual Award Nominees.

**Building Committee's Report:**

No report was submitted.

**Grant Committee:**

No report was submitted

**Unfinished Business:**

**New Business:**

**Process Improvement Study**

-A draft of the Process Improvement Study was submitted to the Board of Directors

-Study will concentrate mostly on the registration aspect of MSYSA.

-The purpose of the study is to help the MSYSA membership more easily register with MSYSA. Not just of registration for players and coaches but also for coaching courses, tournaments, etc.

-The ultimate goal is to lower costs but it is also a proactive approach to better run MSYSA.

**Motion:** (Morrissey, Pete: SYRA) To allow West District Commissioner Gil Urban to proceed with the Process Improvement Study

**Second** (Raben, Dan: North District Commissioner)

**Discussion took place**

**Motion:** Passed

**For the Good of the Game:**

**Motion** (Morrissey, Pete: SYRA): To adjourn the September 2008 BOD meeting.

**Second:** (Poulos, Mike: Metro Southwest District Commissioner)

**Discussion took place**

**Motion:** Passed unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM.



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Ruth Dober, Secretary  
Michigan State Youth Soccer Association