

MICHIGAN STATE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION
Board of Director's Meeting
Monday, February 22, 2021

This Board of Director's Meeting of the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association was called to order on Monday, February 22, 2021 by President Mike Poulos at 6:30 pm, via Zoom.

Board Members Present: Mike Poulos (Teleconference), Adam Dixon (Teleconference), Tina Ramirez (Teleconference), Wendy Zielen (Teleconference), Gerhard Mengel (Teleconference), Ron Grobbel (Teleconference), Anthony Spica (Teleconference), Doug Prim (Teleconference), Jeremiah Belton (Teleconference), Michael Egnotovich (Teleconference)

Board Members Excused: Robin Crawford, Andrew Klackiewicz, Brian Scherzer, Matt Solek, Denise Moote

Administrators Present: Tom Faro (Teleconference), Julie Pearson (Teleconference), Mark Zathe (Teleconference)

This is a **Reporting Month**.

The Board Meeting Minutes for the January Board of Director's Meeting will be filed for audit.

President's Report: Mike Poulos

District Meetings will be conducted via Zoom starting March 2, 2021 through March 4, 2021. The schedule for the district meetings is as follows:

Metro Central District Meeting – 6:30 PM on Tuesday, March 2, 2021

Metro East District Meeting – 7:30 PM Tuesday, March 2, 2021

Metro Southwest District Meeting – 6:30 PM on Wednesday, March 3, 2021

North District Meeting – 7:30 PM on Wednesday, March 3, 2021

West District Meeting – 6:30 PM on Thursday, March 4, 2021

At these meetings, the member organizations will elect their respective District Commissioner to serve on the MSYSA Board of Directors. The member organizations will also determine their representative to serve on the MSYSA Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee Chairperson will be voted on at the MSYSA AGM. The individual with the most votes will serve as a non-voting member on our Board.

As you know, MSYSA's AGM takes place (virtually) on Saturday, March 6, 2021. There will be a very brief Board Meeting at 8:30 AM (via Zoom) and the AGM will be called to order at 9 AM. There will be another brief Board Meeting immediately following the AGM, primarily for the purpose of Committee Appointments. The AGM Book is posted online.

US Soccer's Annual General Meeting takes place (virtually) on Saturday, February 27, 2021 at 1 PM. US Soccer's Youth Council elections have already taken place. (February 12th)

- Dr. Pete Zopfi will serve as 'Youth Council' Chairperson and serves as a member of US Soccer's Board of Directors.
- Thomas Sowinski, Tim Turney and Todd Lockhart (all from US Youth Soccer) were all elected to serve on the Youth Council as well.

US Youth Soccer announced that their National Championships scheduled for July 20th through July 25th, **will not** take place in Phoenix, AZ. The new location for the National Championships is TBD.

Our next Club and League Representative 'Update' Call will take place on Friday (via Zoom) at 4 PM.

Treasurer's Report: Adam Dixon

Report Submitted.

Adam indicated that the year-to-date total revenue for the month ending January 31, 2021 is \$1,032,620 with year-to-date expenses totaling \$680,814 resulting in a year-to-date income of \$351,806.

MSPSP Chairperson Report: Wendy Zielen

MSPSP has similar amount of teams registered for spring as last year, however the number of registered players has decreased from 13,000 to 11,800 due to MSPSP allowing teams to register with 12-13 players instead of 15.

MSYSA Vice President: Andrew Klaczkiwicz
No Report. Excused.

Secretary: Tina Ramirez
No Report.

MSA (Adult) Report: Gerhard Mengel
The MSA AGM is being held on February 28, 2021 at 10 AM.

SYRA Report: Ron Grobbel
SYRA is continuing with recertifications. Previously, 'recertification' was a 4 hour in person process. This year, it's a 90-minute virtual class and the recertification is free. Despite these changes, our numbers are still low. Currently, there are 1,400 referees certified. In a normal year, there would be around 4,000.

Recreation Director Report: Brian Scherzer
No Report. Excused.

North District Report: Matt Solek
No Report. Excused.

Metro East Report: Anthony Spica
No Report.

West District Report: Doug Prim
No Report.

Metro Southwest Report: Denise Moote
No Report. Excused.

Metro Central Report: Michael Egnotovich
No Report.

Nominating Committee Report: Jeremiah Belton
No Report.

Executive Director's Report: Tom Faro
Got Sport Update: Survey to Clubs & Leagues will be sent this week to inquire on their current use of the Got Soccer 'Legacy' System. Phase 1 training will take place March 15 through May 1. Phase 2 & 3 training will take place after May 1. There will be a brief Got Sport 'Info' Session during the MSYSA AGM.
Also, ODP, ODP 101 and ODP GK Programs will use the MDHHS 'MI Symptoms' Online Tool with players, coaches and evaluators. Instructions will be emailed to all participants this week.

Technical Director: Mark Zathey
US Soccer granted MSYSA permission to host a virtual blended 'C' course. We are accepting registrations through Friday.

US Soccer has announced a new 'D' license course. Paul Thomas (and Mark) will review.

2021 ODP tryouts begin in March. We are in the process of securing coaching staff.

Unfinished Business:
CASL is still working on finalizing their Fall 2020 registration with MSYSA. CASL anticipates this being completed prior to the MSYSA AGMA. The Board will revisit CASL status at Board Meeting, prior to AGM, on March 6, 2021.

Tom Faro provided a RTP Update. MSYSA has a call with University of Michigan School of Public Health on Tuesday, February 23, 2021.

New Business: None

For the Good of the Game:

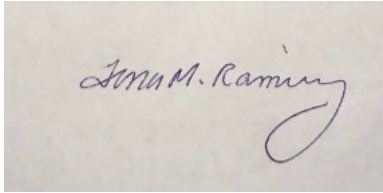
Doug Prim completed US Soccer 'Referee Mentor' course.

Referee Ryan Homick was selected as 'top performer' at Nationals.

Referee Jacob Little is the latest recipient of the Terry Vaughan Award.

The next MSYSA Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March. 6, 2021 at 8:30 AM via Zoom, prior to the MSYSA AGM (Non-Reporting Meeting).

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

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Tina Ramirez, Secretary
Michigan State Youth Soccer Association, Inc.