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WSYSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 20, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

Doug Andreassen called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at Suncadia Resort at 8:34 am.

ROLL CALL

Present:

President Doug Andreassen
1st VP Brian Lawler
VP Competition Gail Zimbelman
VP Recreation Bryan Vasbinder
Secretary Cynthia Spencer
Treasurer George Maitland
District 1 Comm. Jan Phillips
District 2 Comm. Shari Tumey
District 3 Comm. Stu Snow
District 4 Comm. Laurie Myers
District 5 Comm. Dennis Vasbinder
District 7 Comm. Ken Phillipson
WSYSA Exec Dir Todd McGann

Absent:

2nd VP Ryan Shannon
VP Development Mike Margolies
District 6 Comm. Mike Terris

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AGENDA / COMMUNICATIONS

Committee Chair recommendations for Executive Board decision:

	STANDING COMMITTEES	CHAIR	BOARD LIAISON
1	Appeals	TBD	Brian Lawler
2	ODP	TBD	Mike Margolies
3	WSYL	Brian Eaton	Gail Zimbelman
4	Rules Committee	Steve Scranton	Cynthia Spencer
5	Recreation	TBD	Bryan Vasbinder
6	Risk Management	TBD	Doug Andreassen
7	Disciplinary	Lou Bair	Brian Lawler
8	Tournament Committees a) Championship Cup b) Commissions' Cup c) Challenge Cup d) Presidents Cup	Leslie Poirier Angela Jones Open Janett Silleck	Gail Zimbelman Mike Margolies Gail Zimbelman & Mike Margolies Bryan Vasbinder
9	Registration	TBD	Brian Lawler
10	Ethics	TBD	Brian Lawler
11	Field Development	Open	George Maitland
12	Communication	Open / Staff Support: Joelle Muchlinski, Communications Director	Ryan Shannon
13	Budget & Finance	George Maitland	George Maitland
	SPECIAL COMMITTEES	CHAIR	BOARD LIAISON
14	TOPSoccer	Marty Torres	Bryan Vasbinder
15	Soccer Start	Harry Hoffman	Bryan Vasbinder
16	State Youth Referee Administrator	Roberto Alvarez	Doug Andreassen / Mike Margolies
17	Soccer Fair	Open	
18	Hall of Fame	TBD – Pam Cople?	Doug Andreassen
19	Nominating Committee	Open	Doug Andreassen
20	PlayOn Committee	Open	Ryan Shannon

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Doug recommended appointing Harry Hoffman to lead Soccer Start Committee as an outreach into diverse communities with a 3 month trial period. Harry is recommending hiring staff support. Brian Lawler recommended Brad Kimura as resource, well experienced.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bonzi Update

Todd updated the Board on interactions with Bonzi and efforts to help individual clubs train on the use of Bonzi.

- Bonzi tournament module was released last month for use by all associations hosting tournaments (clubs using Bonzi can send team rosters to the tournament organizers electronically).
- Beta testing for travel papers available May 2007.
- Coaching licensing tracking will be tested Sept / Oct 2007. Currently compiling database to populate.
- Disciplinary module (similar to Referee Software Central currently in use by some of the referee associations, including East King County) – most complex module, targeting for next summer (2008).

Doug: disconnect between member associations and Bonzi. Lot of discontent and concerns (some valid, some misunderstanding, some invalid).

- Brian: frustration about billing.
- Todd: complaints not heard in office so not chasing.
- Ken: complaints about billing, but many due to user errors in registrars not understanding the system (so logging kids into system who are not assigned to teams and triggering fees). Need user-friendly help functions (pop-ups). Need registrars' handbook.
- Todd: Registrars' handbook is in process, close to release. Needed to reflect final program (after bugs fixed).
- Doug: Instruct associations to channel Bonzi concerns through Brenda. Will form a Bonzi response team in the office to help diffuse member frustrations.
- Shari: Local associations invested in Ridgestar, which is working for them. Don't want to shift until Bonzi is proven.
 - Want proof that the \$1.25 pass-through to Bonzi involves a kick-back to WSYSA. Want to see that excess charge (if any) is sent back to associations, not kept at state.
 - Feel like 2nd class citizens because not on Bonzi. Want all state registration data in single system. Object to paying import fees because the program has no value to them.
- Brian: Cost is to put full state on single system. Non-Bonzi members want all the benefits for \$1.25 / player when everyone else pays full fees. They do

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benefit, others associations should have to subsidize non-members. There is limited availability for non-members, won't get full features.

- Ken: Recent issue with Bonzi. Kids pay membership to WSYSA on annual basis. District runs spring and summer leagues. Registrars created new folder for spring leagues to roster kids onto spring teams (not same as fall teams). Bonzi charged them again as if new players. Need instruction on how to carryover registered players (maybe on different teams).

Scholarship Program

George Maitland distributed a summary of ideas for establishing a WSYSA scholarship program:

- Recommending funding from interest income at \$35-40k / year level
- Scholarships could be awarded to candidates from each district
- Criteria for eligibility
 - Current players (not referees)
 - Academic based
 - Community involvement required
 - Essay required
 - Needs based
- Funds used for secondary education (college, trade school or vocational training)
- Number of scholarships
 - Two per district - \$2,000 each
 - Additional state scholarship - \$3,000 – for most outstanding candidate.

Shari moved to form a committee to develop a scholarship program including qualifications, policies and procedures. Committee will be chaired by Todd McGann. Procedures to be completed for distribution by September 1, 2007. Seconded and passed unanimously.

Todd will chair, Lauri volunteered to serve on committee.

Bank Accounts

WSYSA bank accounts will require two signatures. Doug nominated that the signers for the WSYSA bank accounts for 2007-08 will be

- President Doug Andreassen
- Treasurer George Maitland
- 1st VP Brian Lawler

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- Secretary Cynthia Spencer.

Shari Tumey moved to accept the listed executive board members named. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

League Status

Gail Zimbelman moved to sanction the Inter-District Leagues operated for the 2006-2007 seasonal year. Seconded by Jan Phillips. Motion passed with one dissenting vote.

High School Girls Season

Gail distributed a calendar with two options for proposed schedule for the new spring season and state cups.

Option 1: 10 game season starting 1st weekend in February; one week off between league and state cup play

Option 2: 14 game season starting mid-January (including double headers); one week off

Ken moved to adopt Option 1 for girls high school season to apply to all four state-sponsored divisions (GU15 and above, Divisions 1, 2, 3 and WSYDL). Seconded and passed with one abstention.

The Board discussed notification procedure for alerting teams about the change and the impact on LPTs (schedules will be published this week so need confirmation of intent to participate). Will require positive (email) confirmation from all GU15 teams and above by Tuesday morning that they will participate in the spring league. State office will follow up Tuesday morning with phone calls to all teams not responding.

Ryan will draft a press release for publishing on our website and releasing to the media announcing the change.

Policy 7010

Cynthia Spencer moved that we revise Policy 7010 to allow consideration of Rule Changes more frequently (as detailed in attached document). Seconded and passed unanimously.

Cynthia Spencer moved to form an ad hoc committee chaired by Stu Snow to review the Rules with the intent to remove policies and administrative procedures from the formal Rules. Seconded and passed with one abstention. Committee will report back by Sept 1, 2007.

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Name Change

Laurie Meyers moved to adopt a registered trade name (DBA) of Washington Youth Soccer and develop a new logo to reflect an updated image of the association. Motion was seconded.

Discussion: Todd indicated that there is someone in Washington with a registered trade name of Washington Youth Soccer who we are in negotiations with. Ken Phillips requested time to discuss this with his member associations.

Brian Lawler moved to table the motion to allow the district commissioners to review the concept with their districts. Motion to table was seconded and passed with one dissent.

Events at / prior to the AGM

The Board moved into Executive Session at 11:20 am to discuss events at the AGM.

Moved out of Executive Session at 11:30 am.

Cynthia Spencer moved that the Board reaffirms our position of accepting Todd McGann as our executive director and formally acknowledge that the rogue actions taken by our former Board Member during Soccer Fair are condemned by this Board. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Board “Norms”

Jan Phillips requested the Board agree to standard expectations.

1. 24-hour response is too tight unless the Board specifically determines a need for it. Standard response time should not be less than 48 hours.
2. Speaking as one voice:
 - a. Decisions of the Board need to be supported by the full Board
 - b. Commissioners need to reserve the right to be independent at Council and the AGM because representing both District Associations and the Board.

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Board Meeting Dates:

Date	Full or Exec Board	Special Topics	Start Time
Friday, June 8, 2007	Full Board	Rules (except Judicial overhaul)	6:30 pm WSYSA office
Friday, July 13, 2007	Executive Board		7 pm WSYSA office
Saturday, July 14, 2007	Full Board	Rules – Judicial overhaul	9 am WSYSA office
Friday, Aug. 24, 2007	Full Board		TBD
Sat. Aug 25, 2007	Soccer Summit	Competitive Leagues	TBD
Sun. Aug 26, 2007	Soccer Summit	Recreation & Select Leagues	TBD
Friday, Sept. 28, 2007	Executive Board		7 pm WSYSA office
Saturday, Sept 29, 2007	Full Board		9 am WSYSA office
Saturday, Oct. 27, 2007	Full Board	Budget – 1 st draft	9 am WSYSA office
Friday, Nov. 16, 2007	Full Board	Rules & Budget (2 nd draft)	6:30 pm WSYSA office
Friday, Dec. 14, 2007	Executive Board	Finalize Budget	7 pm WSYSA office
Saturday, Dec. 15, 2007	Full Board	Budget approval	9 am WSYSA office
Friday, Jan. 25, 2008	Full Board	Council planning	TBD
Saturday, Jan. 26, 2008	Council Meeting		TBA
Friday, March 14, 2008	Executive Board		7 pm WSYSA office

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Saturday, March 15, 2008	Full Board		9 am WSYSA office
Sunday, April 26, 2008	AGM		TBD

GENERAL – FOR THE GOOD OF THE GAME

Bryan Vasbinder initiated discussions with Oregon to discuss the possibility of across-state league for teams within one hour drive of Delta Park (Vancouver – Portland). Response was positive, but not conclusive regarding level of play.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia J. Spencer
WSYSA Secretary

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