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WSYSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Nov. 16, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

Doug Andreassen called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at WSYSA Headquarters at 6:31 pm.

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 6 Comm. Mike Terris
District 7 Comm. Ken Phillipson
WSYSA Exec Dir Todd McGann

Absent:

2nd VP Ryan Shannon
VP Development Mike Margolies (excused)
District 5 Comm. Todd Benner

Credentialed Staff and Guests

Dave Schumacher, WSYSA Coaching Director
Brenda Heintz, Office Manager
Steven Scranton, Rules Committee Chair

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Oct. 29, 2007 BoD Mtg

- Approved as submitted.

AGENDA / COMMUNICATIONS

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Doug reminded that WSYSA worked hard to bring an expansion MLS team to Seattle which will join the league in 2009. WSYSA is the only youth soccer organization in the US that has a partnership with a MLS team. Encourage all our soccer families to purchase tickets and support the new team.

REPORTS

VP Recreation's Report

Bryan Vasbinder distributed a President's Cup Report. Grays Harbor has offered to host the BU19 semi-finals (the last to be assigned a venue).

1st VP Report

Brian Lawler requested feedback (if needed) on the weekly disciplinary report that was initiated following the last meeting. Lou Bair is following up on getting coaching representation on the Appeals Committee.

Appeals Committee is now dealing with cases where assault/abuse is alleged but the evidence doesn't rise to the level of assault / abuse (one stop consideration). System appears to be working well.

Several complaints have arisen against referees for assault / abuse. Our rules don't specifically address how to deal with this. Doug offered to refer the issue to the State Referee Committee to develop a process for review.

Ethics committee is reviewing the standing rules and drafting proposed changes.

Treasurer

George indicated some difficulty collecting bills. The office promised to help follow up.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PREMIER LEAGUE CALENDAR PROPOSAL

Dave Schumacher reported extensive discussion with clubs around the state, recommending calendar for 2008 (league year 2008-09) consistent with standing rules:

- New U-11 teams would hold tryouts in February
- BU12 – U18 would tryouts after state cups in March
- GU12 – U15 tryouts after state cups in March
- GU16-U19 and BU19 boys tryouts after state cups / Regionals (last week of June)

Feedback from Districts:

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- District 1: Concern that although we say it won't impact Club Select, it does because players wanting to move between levels. Desire to have tryouts all close together so if don't make higher level teams, can still play. If all move, there's good support for the new calendar.
- District 2: Lively discussion developed in district. Concern is moving too fast. Would like discussion tabled for a year and absorb the girls playing spring season. Compromise offered by Dave should be acceptable.
- District 3: Clubs expressed same concerns about impact to select programs, but willing to accommodate (want to see next round of proposal).
- District 4: Mostly recreational clubs. Expect the compromise proposal will help.
- District 5: Concern with later tryouts that will lose players to Oregon (tryouts in May).
- District 6: Concern about losing players out of state.
- District 7: Similar concerns to other districts. Still want a definition of "premier" since there are teams in district that play for all state leagues. In general, in favor of the changes if it will help state and soccer in WA. Concerned about loss of revenue from tournaments, which help fund local associations. New calendar will compress timing for tournaments. Compromise proposal is a good option.

The Board thanked Dave for his hard work. Based on consensus expressed, Doug asked Dave to move forward with implementation plan for the compromise calendar and bring this back to the Board in December.

PLAYER- PARENT CONTRACTS

Dave reported the need for standard statewide player contracts and parent contracts covering ethical issues, player expectations, fees, sideline behavior, etc. that clearly define expectations. Goal to have contracts in place when tryouts take place. Dave agreed to put a draft proposal in writing for Board review in December.

Shari reported discussion with Kurt Bateman in District 2 where the club suspended a coach for two games beyond the WSYSA four-week sanction. A local coach also banned a parent from two games for inappropriate behavior directed at a referee.

Jan asked whether the contract could hold individuals to a higher standard than WSYSA rules. Consensus was OK to be higher, but cannot be lower.

Spokane SUMMIT – Saturday, Nov. 10

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Great discussion with 2.5 hours on recreation, then shifted to premier, ODP and PDL concerns. Approximately 65 people attended. Mike thanked everyone for coming over (Doug Andreassen, Laurie Myers, Todd McGann, Bryan Vasbinder, Stu Snow and Dave Schumacher).

Request came in from Tri-Cities and Yakima to hold a summit in their area. Will also try to arrange summits in Bellingham, Vancouver and other areas.

Doug announced two summits for next summer focused on recreational issues and premier issues.

Diversity Committee

President of Walla Walla association offered to help our diversity committee (approximately 70% of local players are Hispanic).

Director of Coaching Review

Mike Margolies had emergency family issues so Dave's review was deferred.

Budget

Todd reviewed the proposed budget, which is on 126,500 players (current number registered). Increases are in ODP area (in part) reflect changes in accounting to show funds collected from players/parents that offset player costs (e.g., airfares). Todd and George are reviewing costs and procedures, including budgeting for staff support to professionally administer the ODP and state programs.

Sponsorship income should continue to rise, especially with MLS partnership.

Proposed player fee currently is budgeted equal to last two years. This includes \$2.52 / player for insurance, same as last year. If insurance costs are lower, the difference will be passed back to the member associations.

REPORTS

Financials / Budget

George expressed frustration with our system of clubs registering players and then passing fees to state and state passing to national. System breaks down in between steps. Ken shared with the Board how US Volleyball Association holds tryouts and registers players, which is more streamlined than our system. Players register online with USVA and funds are allocated between clubs and national organization. Players cannot be rostered to a team until registered nationally.

Audit is underway, will be completed in December.

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NEW BUSINESS

RULES PROPOSALS

Rules Committee Chairman Steve Scranton was invited to present the proposals.

Rule 201 AUTHORITIES

Moved & seconded to adopt Rule 201 with recommendations from the Rules Committee. **Passed unanimously.**

Rule 204.10 Open Period

Moved & seconded to adopt with recommendations from the Rules Committee. **Passed unanimously.**

Rule 204.11 Transfer

Moved & seconded to adopt with recommendations from the Rules Committee. **Passed unanimously.**

Rule 603 Notes and Definitions

Recommended return to sponsor for clarifications. Shari Tumey agreed to withdraw.

Rule 606.A.3 Scheduling

Moved & seconded to adopt with recommendations from the Rules Committee. **Passed unanimously.**

Rule 302 Field of Play / Goal Size

Moved & seconded to adopt the proposal. Discussion ensued around the cost of requiring associations and clubs to purchase new goals. Gail Zimbelman withdrew proposal, Dave Schumacher and Bryan Vasbinder agreed to work together to draft new proposals based on expected push from US Youth Soccer to reduce team sizes.

Rule 307 Inter District Leagues

Moved & seconded to adopt the proposal as presented. Rule failed (with 3 abstentions).

Rule 605 Disciplinary Penalty Code

Moved & seconded to adopt the proposal as presented. Discussion ensued about when to consider amending the new disciplinary process adopted last summer. Clarification was provided that would take effect in the next seasonal year. Rule failed.

Rule 606.A.4 Tournament Playing Rules

Moved & seconded to adopt the proposal with recommendations from the Rules Committee.

Proposal passed.

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609.2 Filing Procedures (Appeals)

Moved & seconded to adopt the proposal with recommendations from the Rules Committee.

Proposal passed.

Rule 305 WASHINGTON STATE PREMIER LEAGUE

Rule 306 WASHINGTON STATE YOUTH DEVELOPMENTAL LEAGUE (WSYDL)

Steve Scranton indicated that the proposals were incomplete when submitted, revisions were filed after the Rules Committee met so did not get reviewed.

Gail Zimbelman agreed to withdraw changes to Rules 305 and 306 for consideration in the next cycle.

Rule 607 PREMIER LEAGUE PLACEMENT TOURNAMENT (LPT)

Steve Scranton indicated that the proposals were incomplete when submitted, revisions were filed after the Rules Committee met so did not get reviewed.

Gail described the current need for rule changes to reflect changes in the leagues seasons. Voted to table the proposal until December meeting.

Rule 608 WSYSA CODE OF ETHICS

Steve Scranton indicated that the proposals were not submitted to the Rules Committee in time for review, however it would be viewed as a housekeeping proposal that does not conflict with other rules.

Discussion ensued about practicality and enforceability of the proposal. Laurie agreed to withdraw the proposal. The issue was referred to the Ethics Committee to develop a workable proposal.

SOCCER FAIR – RENAMED SOCCER PALOOZA

Scheduled for April 26. Event is reformatted and rebuilt from bottom up. Volunteers are needed.

GOOD OF THE GAME

Doug announced a holiday party on Saturday, December 15, following the Board meeting starting at 7 pm at Emerald Downs for the Board, Hall of Fame and Life Members, sponsors, association presidents and committee chairs. Holiday attire (business casual) is required.

Public draw for state cup ladders is at 7 pm Dec. 8. Ladders will be posted on the website no later than Dec. 20.

National convention is Feb. 7-11 in Pittsburg.

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Laurie Myers announced follow up with Labor & Industries on the young referee issue, appears to be settling down.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:02 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia J. Spencer
WSYSA Secretary

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