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State Board of Directors Meeting  
January 26, 2019  
Milwaukee, WI

Attendance: Tony Klockow (Ozaukee), Jay DeBruin (East Central), John Janasik (Milwaukee Metro), Tom Mesalk (WisRef), Ernie Englund (Kenosha), Mike Recklees (Stateline), Fred Yasatan (Racine, via conference call), Chris Lacey (WYSA President), Melissa Zielinski (WYSA Executive Director), Chris Yustus (Midway District), Chris Lay (WYSA Secretary).

1. Call to Order Chris Lay Chris Lacey 8:35am
2. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes (11/10/18) – motion made by Tony Klockow; seconded by Mike Recklees. No further discussion; minutes approved.
3. New Business

3.1. Referee Mentorship Proposal – Chris Lacey reviewed a proposal to secure funds via a per player fee increase to support referee mentorship programs. Districts can apply for these funds by submitting a mentor program that fits the specific needs of an area, completion level and/or event. Ensuing discussion centered on how clubs and districts can collaborate to apply for funding and how WYSA will ensure execution. In addition, emphasis (and reminder) that districts and clubs remind coaches and parents about the Zero Tolerance policy. Tom shared examples of mentorship reporting or guidelines.

Mike Recklees motions to advance the motion for consideration at the 2019 WYSA AGM (with some adjustment from the discussion in the meeting); seconded by Tony Klockow. No further discussion. Motion approved.

3.2. 2019/2020 WYSA Budget Melissa Zielinski – Chris Lacey and Melissa Zielinski presented the 2019/20 budget. US Youth Soccer is implementing a per player fee increase in the amount of \$1.25 per player. The Executive Committee is proposing that the fees be proportioned based on where the US Youth Soccer programming changes are occurring: e.g., National League, ODP, etc. In addition, Melissa has identified other revenue opportunities to offset/reduce the \$1.25 per player.

The proposed fee increases are as follows:

Program	Current Fee	Proposed Fee Notes
Pre-K Player Registration	\$3.00	\$ 3.25
Grassroots Player Registration	\$ 6.50	\$ 7.00
Competitive Player Registration	\$ 19.50	\$ 20.25
Grassroots Coaching Courses	\$ 70.00	\$ 85.00
Presidents Cup	\$ 500.00	\$ 750.00 WYSA pays ref fees

Discussion centered on commendation for how the budget has been presented in an attempt to contain costs with a request to share how fees are broken-out, and comparison to other State Associations, to be shared at the AGM. With respect to the increase in Grassroots Coaching Courses, the new US Soccer format requires more administration, more time (and thus rental fees), etc. A note: US Youth Soccer Association fee increase is the first in 15 years.

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John Janasik makes a motion to approve the 2019/20 with the associated fee increases; seconded by Ernie Englund. No further discussion. Motion & budget approves.

### 4. Executive Director's Report

4.1. Player Registration – YTD, tracking ahead on player registration (approx. 2,000); however, reviewing how that is reported via Demosphere. Following invoicing from this Fall, some reconciliation is necessary. The survey on the Demosphere software is garnering useful information and the ongoing training will be tailored accordingly (morning and afternoon session planned for the 2019 AGM).

4.2. 2019 AGM Melissa Zielinski – a reminder that the AGM is Saturday, March 9 at the Edgewater Hotel in Madison. There are hotel room blocks available through February 6. WYSA Board Members are encouraged to attend the Hall of Fame event in the evening. Wisconsin Soccer League will have their AGM concurrent with WYSA so clubs/districts that register adult players should consider attending in order to achieve quorum and share input.

Information will be shared at the AGM on the SafeSport requirements. Rigorous standards are to be expected and are required by all sports in all areas of the country.

With respect to the Wisconsin Women's Soccer Advisory Council, there will be an event on February 24 at UW Parkside regarding participation in college athletics. And, on March 10, there will be a Women-only Grassroots courses (7v7 and 11v11), led by female instructors.

For the Good of the Game: Tom shared that Adam Behrens, Chris Ruska and Rachel Smith are now National Referees. All have Wisconsin roots.

Motion to adjourn made by Chris Yustus; seconded by Ernie Englund. No further discussion, meeting adjourned at 10:05 am.