

APPROVED

State Board of Directors Meeting
November 10, 2018
Milwaukee

Attendance: Jim Launder (WYSA staff), Ken Ward (treasurer), Ted Blazel (MAYSA), Nancy Ziaja (Kickers), Chris Yustus (Midway), Vance Bickford (SW), John Janasik (Metro), Tom Mesalk, Joe Krzyzaniak, Sal Garcia (WisRef), Doris Schommer (East Central), Alvaro Garcia Velez (VP), Chris Lacey (President), Mike Recklies (Stateline), Tony Klockow (Ozaukee), Melissa Zielinski (WYSA)

Absent: Chris Lay, Racine District, Kenosha District, Northwest District

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes (Motion: Klockow / 2nd: Yustus) APPROVED
2. Madison Pro Soccer: Peter Wilt attended to provide an update and answer questions regarding Wisconsin's new professional soccer team, Forward Madison FC. He shared information about Big Top Sports, the team's ownership group, the other teams they will manage in Wisconsin (a league 2 team in Green Bay) and future expansion plans in Waukesha (2020) and Milwaukee (2021/2022). He invited everyone to ask questions and indicated ticket sales were underway. Clubs were already being contacted about ticket opportunities.
3. Old Business
 - a. Referee fee increase Fall 2019/2020 (Sal Garcia)
 - b. Proposal contained in meeting packet – no recreational fee increase; competitive fee increase of \$2/position. Table referee fee increase to 5.4 in agenda.
 - c. WisRef wishes to enhance “Ask, tell dismiss” to dismiss coaches for spectator behavior. To be brought back
 - d. Tom Mesalk extended thanks to Melissa and Patrick for referee game day protocol document
4. New Business
 - a. WYSA bylaw changes (Motion: Tony Klockow / 2nd: Nancy Ziaja) APPROVED (Ken urges the district to hold a pre-meeting in their District to share this information. EC or staff can attend these meetings.
 - b. 2019/2020 tryout policy (Motion: Ken Ward / 2nd: Mike Recklies) APPROVED
 - c. Youth academy policy (Motion: Tony Klockow / 2nd: Chris Yustus) APPROVED
 - d. Referee recruitment, retention and mentoring:
There was a lengthy regarding referee topics, including questions to WisRef regarding their participation and financial contribution to referee mentorship.
 - e. WYSA will discontinue practice of voting on referee fee increase proposals at State Board
 - f. Chris Yustus presents Recruitment/Retention & Development of Youth Soccer Referees in WI (power point document)

Motion: to proceed with advisory proposal for a referee recruitment, retention and mentorship program administered by WYSA for implementation in the 2019/2020 season at a value not exceed \$1/player.
(Motion: Mike Recklies / 2nd: Doris Schommer) APPROVED

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Motion to take referee fee increase off table (Motion: Ken Ward / 2nd: Tony Klockow)

Motion to hold referee fees for 2019/2020 (Motion: Mike Recklies / 2nd: Nancy Ziaja; OPPOSED Sal Garcia) APPROVED

- Five-year player registration totals: the board discussed the reason for the changes in registration.
- Adult soccer – WYSA no longer providing administrative support to WSL; East Central district having issues with adult administration and registration processes. Chris Lacey to reach out to WSL board regarding these concerns and report back in January.

Sal Garcia, Joe Krzyzaniak and Tom Mesalk left the meeting at this point.

6. Treasurer's report: Review of 2017/2018 fiscal year – within 7/10 of a percent of budget. Significant depreciation expense because of significant capital purchases in fiscal year which depreciate more in year 1. Motion to accept financial report: (Motion: Nancy Ziaja / 2nd: Chris Yustus; Ken Abstains) APPROVED

7. Executive Director's report: Melissa Zielinski reported on the current state of development with Demosphere including invoices for player registration and the role of the District within the software. There was also an announcement that the 2019 WYSA AGM would take place on March 9 at the Edgewater in Madison. The Hall of Fame induction ceremony will take place that evening. Board members agreed that one keynote topic focuses on referees should be held instead of various individual breakout sessions this year.

8. President's update: Chris Lacey reviewed the WYSA strategic plan and funding to support strategic initiatives of the organization, such as the Women's Council. He also provided a recap of the President's Survey that will be shared with the board to identify topics and define strategy of the Board so sub groups can be formed.