

APPROVED

WYSA State Board of Directors Meeting
November 12, 2020
Conference Call

Attendance: Chris Lacey (President), Alvaro Velez-Garcia (Vice President), Chris Lay (Secretary), Chris McCormick (Kickers), Mike Recklies (Stateline), Francisco de la Rosa (Southwest), Chris Yustus (Midway), Kurt Femrite (MAYSA), Ernie Englund (Kenosha), Jay DeBruin (East Central), Kevin Wasco (Board Member at Large), Tony Klockow (Ozaukee), Fred Yasatan (Racine), John Janasik (Metro), Melissa Zielinski (WYSA Executive Director)

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm by Chris Lacey

Melissa shared an update through the Fall. WYSA-administered league play and events completed and largely without incident. Membership is approximately 25% down. ODP was equal year-on-year and Coach Education has resumed with COVID-necessitated adaptations.

US Soccer has released guidelines and recommendations for indoor soccer play and participation. The WYSA Board of Directors must consider these recommendations weighed against the challenging situation in Wisconsin where there are many COVID cases. The Board is in agreement with the comprehensive plan and there was a consensus that WYSA should host a webinar to review the guidelines, timelines and expectations with clubs. It is especially important to know that local ordinances may supersede US Soccer/WYSA guidelines.

Melissa discussed the tournament sanctioning application process for 2021. Field and referee resources will need to be considered. WYSA is considering numerous areas where flexibility can be offered for clubs. All events will require a COVID prevention plan which will impact number of teams & games, facility preparedness, etc.

Chris Lacey conveyed to the Board that in the upcoming months and meetings we will be returning to the strategic initiatives that we collaborated on with the guidance of The Collective.

Listening sessions around Tryouts will occur January 12 & 13. The next scheduled WYSA Board meeting will be December 8.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.