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State Board of Directors Meeting  
November 9, 2021 – 7:00 PM  
Virtual Meeting

Minutes

1. Attendance & Call to Order

Melissa Zielinski (WYSA Executive Director), Kevin Wasco (Independent Director), Kurt Femrite (MAYSA), Rhonda Jankowski (Waukesha), Jay DeBruin (WYSA Vice Chair), Chris Lay (WYSA Secretary), Chris Billstrom (East Central District), Ernie Englund (Kenosha), Ken Ward (WYSA Treasurer), Chris Yustus (Midway), Mike Recklies (Stateline), Francisco De La Rosa (Southwest), John Janasik (Metro), Fred Yasatan (Racine)

Alvaro Garcia Velez calls meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes for 8/17/21, 10/6/21, 10/13/21, and 10/20/21 were approved in a block. Motion by John Janasik, Second by Jay DeBruin.

3. Presidents Updates

Alvaro provided updates on conversations with Wisconsin Soccer Leagues and WisRef. WYSA and WSL were looking to schedule a follow up meeting before the end of the year. A meeting involving Joe Krzyzaniak, Tom Mesalk, Alvaro Garcia-Velez and Ken Ward scheduled for the first week of November was canceled.

There was a request for input on a keynote speaker for the WYSA AGM. John O’Sullivan and Margaret Domka were suggested.

4. Treasurer’s Report

Ken Ward presented September financials. He also shared an update on the 2022/2023 budget process which was underway.

5. SYRA Report

Brandon Wachholz was unable to attend the meeting. Melissa Zielinski presented in Brandon’s absence. The SYRA and WYSA staff are reviewing market data on referee pay. The board instructed staff to complete the review and return with a referee fee proposal for fall 2022. Based on the data the Board will determine if the proposal should be adopted on a statewide basis or established as a recommendation with discretion for local adoption.

6. Operations Report

Melissa Zielinski reported on WYSA Operations.

- Year to date player registrations were tracking at a rate better than historical data for the past five year. First quarter player registration invoices were dispensed to clubs on November 1.
- WYSA attended a Demosphere “State Client” meeting in October. Demosphere’s state management/service model is being updated.
- The WYSA Annual General Meeting is scheduled for March 19 in Milwaukee.
- Staff are preparing program budgets for 2022/2023. The full budget will be presented to the Board in January.

7. Executive Session

The meeting went into Executive Session. (Motion: Fred Yasatan, Second: Mike Recklies)

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8. Good of the Game

Ken Ward shared information about a meeting with Strike FC on November 10 and invited WYSA Board Members to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.