

WISCONSIN YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION
State Board
June 7, 1998

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Present: J. Janasik, B. Podewils, M. Lekan, C. Bilot, R. Haugen, L. Wood, G. Winters, K. Ross, R. Whipple, T. Donini, D. Flanagan, L. Goranson, H. De Ganz, C. Carter, M. Clarksen, G. Johnson, D. Scott, C. Stankovsky, M. Lund, A. Clarksen.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

January 17, 1998 - Accepted with no additions or corrections.

President's Report - WYSA President Podewils spoke on the reorganization of the United States Youth Soccer Assoc. that was discussed at the winter U.S. Youth Workshops and is ongoing. President Podewils stated that the WYSA should look into incorporating. We will still be a part of the WSA. Mr. Clarksen made a motion that President Podewils investigate the WYSA incorporation. It was seconded by Mr. Carter and passed unanimously.

Vice-President's Report - Mr. Lekan spoke on forming a Recreation Committee to bring back the former Milwaukee Journal Recreation Tournament, but to be held in a different format, such as at multiple sites.

Treasurer's Report - Mr. Stankovsky gave out the 1998-99 Budget Proposal and stated that all WYSA program directors must submit a budget or no more checks will be written for their programs.

Executive Director's Report - Mr. Ross gave a report on Soccer Fest showing a loss of \$18,000. Mr. Schroeder questioned if we should even have a Soccer Fest if it is losing so much money. He said we should have the authority to stop a future Soccer Fest if we feel it will become another loss. Mr. Ross stated that there would be no Soccer Fest in 1999 because the US Soccer is holding its national workshops in Chicago and everyone should attend those.

Mr. Ross at the next Board meeting will present a plan for Soccer Fest in the year 2000. The Board will vote on the plan and whether to have a Soccer Fest.

Mr. Ross said he is in the process of hiring an administrative assistant so he can be freed up to get corporate sponsorships. He said that Chevrolet donated a new van to the WYSA for use for two years.

Mr. Ross distributed a list of the WYSA Scholarship winners.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

All committees will have a hand out in this mailing.

Wisconsin Soccer Post - Mr. Ross stated that all articles and pictures are needed by August 1, 1998, for the next issue.

Registration - Mrs. Clarksen submitted her membership report. She also requested that the WYSA purchase a stand alone computer and window's version of Logical Solutions as soon as possible. This would be used for registration and to develop our mailing list.

Tournament - Mr. Bilot distributed the Tournament Committee guidelines. After much discussion these guidelines were adopted with one change to establish a deadline for application for tournament approval. The Board asked the Committee to define some of the guidelines for the next meeting.

Coaching - Mr. Scott submitted an attachment and spoke on the committee to hire a WYSA Coaching staff person. He said all youth coaches should go to a coaching clinic to learn proper coaching information. These coaching clinics should only be certified by the WYSA. A motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Clarksen that all coaches of youth soccer teams at or below U-12 level must either attend a special three-hour course about coaching youth under the age of 12, or complete an appropriate youth course (U6-U8, U8-U10, U11-U12). Coaches who already have licenses are not exempt. This requirement will take effect September 1, 2000. The motion passed unanimously.

Girls ODP - Mrs. Goranson distributed a date status report on the Girls ODP and will submit an attachment for this mailing.

Boys ODP - Mr. Schroeder provided an attachment for reducing the huge debt that was incurred years earlier by Boys ODP. President Podewils complimented Mr. Schroeder.

TOP Soccer - Mr. Janasik distributed an attachment from TOP Soccer Assistant Director Ms. Jeanette Davis. Mr. Janasik spoke on the new partnership with the YMCA's that will also include wheelchair athletes in TOP Soccer.

Referees - Mr. Clarksen distributed his report and proposed increasing the referee fees for State Cup. There was no motion but was suggested that it be on the next Board agenda.

State Cup - Mr. Clarksen submitted his report on State Cup. He presented a proposal to change State Cup for U-13 & U-14 girls and U-13 and up Boys to weekend before Memorial Day with the semi-finals and finals scheduled for the weekend after Memorial Day. A motion was made by Mr. Clarksen, seconded by Mr. Lekan. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Clarksen moved, seconded by Mr. Lekan, that U-15 and up Girls State Cup be played on the last two weekends in September. The motion passed unanimously.

Premier League - Mr. Schroeder spoke on the upcoming meeting for the Boys Premier League to be held on June 17, 1998.

Wisconsin Competitive Girls Soccer League - Mr. Flanagan stated that everything is going well and will submit a hand out for this mailing.

OLD BUSINESS

The Minnesota-Wisconsin Border Agreement was reviewed and approved by acclamation.

Establishing a new banking relationship - Mr. Podewils stated that we must put our money in more than one bank because a bank only insures funds up to \$100,000 and our auditors suggested it. Mr. Clarksen made a motion that we establish a bank account for the programs only and that two signatures are required for each check and those signatures are the officers and immediate past president of WYSA. It was seconded by Mrs. Wood and it passed unanimously.

Risk Management - Mr. Haugen spoke on the new disclosure forms that were to be signed by all coaches by August 1, 1998, but this time table is too short and can not be met. President Podewils issued a directive that all coaches who are in the Premier League, State League, or ODP Programs must sign the disclosure statement. Mr. Clarksen made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wood, that all coaches in the Premier League and Wisconsin Girls State League, participating in the State Cup and ODP programs must sign the disclosure statement and that all other coaches and administrators be given one year to have it on file with the State. The motion passed.

Mr. Haugen spoke about the goal post that fell on a 10-year old child in Oconomowoc. Mr. Clarksen requested that all statements about this incident come from Mr. Ross, President Podewils, or Mr. Haugen. No other WYSA member should be allowed to speak for the WYSA. The WYSA Board agreed with this.

NEW BUSINESS

WYSA Calendar - President Podewils distributed the new WYSA calendar.

WYSA Disciplinary Procedure - Mr. Lekan spoke on the current procedures for red cards and appeals in the WYSA. These procedures will stay into effect until the US Soccer Association comes up with a new appeals policy.

USSF By-Laws - Mr. Lekan said he attended the US Soccer Constitution meeting in Washington, DC. Many changes were discussed, but still have to be finalized before they go into effect.

WYSA Policies & Procedures - Mr. Clarksen stated that he would work with Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ross, and anyone else to develop the complete WYSA Policies and Procedures manual.

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GOOD OF SOCCER

Mr. Schroeder asked that the time and location be put on the agenda.

There was discussion on when the WYSA updates the registration files that some players are deleted. The players that were deleted go back into the updated registration files when they are registered. The deletions are done when the WYSA receives a new diskette from a district.

NEXT MEETING

The next WYSA State Board Meeting will be August 8, 1998, in either Stevens Point or Wausau.

Respectfully submitted,

John Janasik
WYSA Secretary

