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State Board of Directors Meeting
April 12, 2022 – 7:30PM
Virtual Meeting

Attendance: Alvaro Velez-Garcia (WYSA President), Jay DeBruin (WYSA Vice President), Chris Lay (WYSA Secretary), Ken Ward (WYSA Treasurer), Francisco de la Rosa (Southwest), Chris Billstrom (East Central), Fred Yasatan (Racine), Kevin Wasco (Independent Director), Chris McCormick (Kickers), Alex Schroeder (Ozaukee), Melissa Zielinski (WYSA Executive Director)

Alvaro begins meeting at 7:33 pm.

- I. Meeting Minutes March 8 – Francisco de la Rosa submitted a correction to the Election Committee listing, which removes his name from the list and replaces with Chris McCormick. Motion to approve with the correction made by Ken Ward; seconded by Fred Yasatan. No further discussion. Minutes pass with all in approval.
- II. Updates – Alvaro welcomed new board members Parker Conover (MAYSA) and Shan Amini (Waukesha).

Committee chairs provided updates on their discussions:

- Board Structure (Chris Billstrom) shared that the committee had just completed their initial meeting and were beginning to get into the issues surrounding a board structure proposal. They anticipated that a board structure change would mean changes to district lines.
- Bylaw Committee (Parker Conover) were scheduled to meet after the WYSA Board meeting. Parker and Chris Billstrom would be connecting regarding the two committees proposals to discuss overlap.

Alvaro shared that WYSA had received feedback from U.S. Soccer regarding a notice of intent to remove the SRA. Alvaro shared that Jim Keller, Wisconsin Soccer League President, is not agreeable to a new appointment. Alvaro was also scheduled to meet with WSL President Jim Keller and Joe Krzyzaniak the following day.

Financials – Ken reported on WYSA's current financial position. We are tracking ahead of budget projections for the fiscal year. \$700k was transferred from the BMO checking to the Money Market account in the month of April. WYSA is still looking for potential investment committee members/contacts.

- III. New Business – Shan Amini brought forth a request to revise the offer date for youth academy players. Shan expressed that clubs are competing against other sports which are already registering players by early/mid-April. In short, this would be beneficial for player retention and planning. Motion to amend the Youth Academy Policy to allow registration beginning April 15, instead of the current May 15 date. Motion: Ken Ward, Second: Shan Amini.

The motion passed with four opposed and no abstentions. Opposed were Alex Schroeder, Chris McCormick, John Janasik and Chris Billstrom.

Melissa Zielinski would be communicating the change to membership before the end of the week.

- IV. For the Good of the Game
Forward Madison hosting MN United in US Open Cup game on April 20 in Madison
WYSA Awards event on July 16 at Forward Madison game.
Soon to be announced – Man City vs Bayern Munich at Lambeau Field on July 23.

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Motion to adjourn made by Jay DeBruin; seconded by Francisco de la Rosa. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.