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State Board of Directors Meeting
June 25, 2022 – 9:00am
West Allis, Wisconsin

1. Attendance & Call to Order: Alvaro called the meeting to order at 9:05am.
In attendance were Francisco de la Rosa (Southwest), Alex Schroeder (Ozaukee), John Janasik (Metro), Ken Ward (WYSA Treasurer), Chris McCormick (Kickers), Alvaro Garcia Velez (WYSA President), Craig Carlson (WYSA Associate Director of Coaching), Chris Yustus (Midway), Fred Yasatan (Racine), Ernie Englund (Kenosha), Jay DeBruin (WYSA Vice President), Chris Billstrom (East Central), Mike Recklies (Stateline), Parker Conover (MAYSA), Melissa Zielinski (WYSA Executive Director)
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes (04/12/22) (Motion: Francisco De La Rosa, Second: Jay DeBruin) Minutes Approved.
3. President's Update
 - a. USSF – Will Wilson is stepping down as CEO and the Federation is seeking his replacement with an aggressive timeline. Alvaro shared some a high-level overview of USSF's goals by the year 2030. Alvaro asked the Board of Directors if they were interested in receiving copies of updates from USSF and USYS – and the Board confirmed they would like that information forwarded.
 - b. Melissa updated the board about the Special Investigator that U.S. Soccer had assigned to Wisconsin to verify whether participating coaches were properly registered with SafeSport and background checks. The investigator will be spot checking on field and report back to state associations to address the issue.

U.S. Soccer will be ramping up 2026 World Cup plans which may include opportunities for volunteering, as well as other activations around the country. The Board will be kept apprised of those opportunities as more information is available.

Caitlin Carducci has returned to the U.S. Soccer staff.
 - c. SRA Update: WYSA received a letter from U.S. Soccer on 06/21/22 confirming that Joe Krzyzaniak will continue to fulfill his duties to the WI State Referee Committee up to and no later than the end of the current term (September 2022) pending any personal decisions or extenuating circumstances in the interim. The U.S Soccer Referee Department has been working in alignment with the National Referee Committee to identify a replacement SRA to begin no later than the end of the current SRA.
 - d. The WSL remained committed to Joe as the SRA. The board discussed the composition of the SRC and asked Alvaro to request WSL's second choice for SRA. Alvaro was expected to meet with Jim Keller (WSL) and Joe Krzyzaniak (SRA) in the following week or two and would then report back to the Board via email.
4. Treasurer's Report
 - a. WYSA is tracking ahead of budget as of May (even including referee certification costs); Ken has not been able to follow through on WYSA investment opportunities but will do so this summer and come back with a strategy to the Board at a fall meeting.
5. New Business
 - a. Player registration imports – Milwaukee Kickers submitted a proposal to allow clubs to import player registration data into Demosphere. The board discussed this proposal and

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potential implications of the allowance. There were concerns about the timing and integrity of data, additional cost to WYSA as well as the timing of this request. The Board determined more information was needed before a global allowance of data imports could be enabled, so one trial club was selected to test the process for Fall 2022.

- i. Rush Wisconsin will be the “trial club” to test imports. There will be no cost to the club to trial the import process. Data must be imported by August 1 for the fall season and team assignments and official rosters must be created in Demosphere.
- ii. WYSA will revisit the budget component of player registration for the 2023/2024 cycle.
- iii. Alvaro was sending a follow up communication to the clubs who submitted letters supporting Milwaukee Kickers proposal to explain the board decision.
- iv. Melissa would be sending a questionnaire to District Reps to send to clubs requesting feedback on the Demosphere system. Results will be shared with the Board for discussion about the statewide player registration system at the July meeting.

A brief recess was taken.

- b. WYSA Risk Policies were presented by Melissa.
 - i. Athlete & Participant Safety (Motion: Chris Yustus / Second: John Janasik) Approved
 - ii. Emergency Action Plan (Motion: Parker Conover / Second: Mike Recklies)
Parker’s motion amended to allow staff to update policy to:
 1. Approve as policy for WYSA administered competitions (with template document for club use)
 2. Update Lightning/Tornado policy for member useEAP was APPROVED.
- c. New club applications
 - i. Guardians of the Valley
 - ii. Legacy Ball Club(Motion to Approve: Alex Schroeder / Second: John Janasik) APPROVED
- d. Committee proposals
 - i. Chris Billstrom, presented on behalf of the Board Structure Committee
 - ii. Parker Conover, presented on behalf of the Bylaws Committee

Melissa will share committee power points with State Board after the meeting. Chris and Parker will prepare a document comparing key revisions elements of both proposals for the Board to contemplate at the July 12 meeting. From there a timeline and process would be established including legal review by outside council.

6. For the Good of the Game
 - a. Team stipends to teams advancing through tournament series
Motion: To provide financial support to teams that have qualified for National finals through the tournament series not to exceed \$10K in total or \$1,500/team. (Motion: Ken Ward / Second: Chris Billstrom) APPROVED
 - b. Soccer Parenting Association

Motion to Adjourn: Alex Schroeder (1:55pm)