# Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association Annual General Meeting March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2004 Madison Wisconsin

Bill Podewils, President of Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association, calls the 2004WI Youth Soccer Association meeting to order.

A moment of silence was observed, followed by the pledge of allegiance. Roll call indicated there are (79) clubs are in attendance there were 99 votes at 2004 AGM.

**Motion to**: accept the 2003 Annual General Meeting minutes Paper Valley SC. 2<sup>nd</sup> KMSC. *Minutes approved*.

Sue Walters – State Youth Referee Administrator, Dave Flanagan – Director of Leagues, Mary Clarkson Introductions: Wisconsin Youth Soccer Program Directors and Officers – State Registrar, Arlyn Clarkson – Chairman State Cup, Marshall Murray – Director State Boys and Girls ODP programs, Peter Mariahazy – Treasurer, Terry Donini - Secretary, Bill Podewils – President, Tournament Sanctioning Committee – Stuart Jones, Tops Soccer – John Jansik, WYSA Appeals Committee – Ken Voigt, Youth Recreation Director – Open.

Wisconsin Youth Soccer State Staff

Kelly Ross- Executive Director, Chris Brown- Director of Coaching, Brent Diderrich- Program Assistant, Rob Lestina – Webmaster, Robbie Ward- Program Administrator

Guests: Darryl Durest-Big Toe Sports

# **OLD BUSINESS**

**Motion**: to approve the Board of Directors actions from June 2003 to November 2003. Paper Valley SC.  $2^{nd}$  KMSC. *Motion approved by acclimation.* 

### **NEW BUSINESS**

## **Proposed Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws**

Gary Johnson served as Parliamentarian and presented the proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws.

### Amendment #1

Combined the responsibility of both the Boys and Girls Olympic Development Program under a single program director.

**Motion**: to approve Amendment #1 Mequon SC, 2<sup>nd</sup> New Holstein SC *Motion carries*.

### Amendment #2

Eliminated the position of Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association Tournament Director and move those duties to the Vice President.

**Motion**: to approve Amendment #2 Paper Valley SC, 2<sup>nd</sup> West Bend *Motion carries* 

# Approved

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Amendment #3

Established a position for Risk Management as a program director.

Motion: to approve Amendment #3

Yahara SC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Eau Claire SC

Motion carries

### Amendment #4

Added oversite of Southeast Wisconsin and Midwest Regional Leagues to the duties of the Director of Leagues.

Motion: to approve Amendment #4

KMSC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Racine SC

Discussion occurred regarding movement of Southeast Wisconsin Girls league from under State Association Management. Dave Flanagan indicated he hoped that movement would occur as early as this fall; he further indicated league is financially self-supporting *Motion carries* 

### Amendment #5

Changed the language of the affiliated play to comply with United States Soccer Federation rules.

**Motion**: to approve Amendment #5 Paper Valley SC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rice Lake SC *Motion carries* 

### Amendment #6

Changed the language about Executive Committee member being able to hold club and district positions while serving on the Executive Committee. Treasurer and Secretary may now hold office in either a club or district and serve on the Executive Committee.

Motion: to approve Amendment #6

Oshkosh SC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rice Lake SC

Motion carries

### Amendment #7

Changes the rules regarding player registration to reflect the player club pass. This proposal was approved at the November 8, 2003, Wisconsin Youth Soccer Board meeting.

**Motion**: to approve Amendment #7 Waunakee SC; 2<sup>nd</sup> Rice Lake SC

Concerns were expressed about approving the amendment without having seen the proposed policy and procedures as developed by the player club pass committee.

Motion: to table the approval of amendment #7

Burlington SC; 2nd Monroe SC

Discussion continued on passing the amendment without having seen the proposed policy and procedures. Discussion points included player club passes allow for player development and increased competition, voting to table now would delay implementation until 2005, focus on play, give opportunity for developmental challenges.

Motion: to call the question on the tabling of amendment #7.

Motion to table amendment #7 was defeated. A point of order was requested asking for a voice vote.

Motion to approve Amendment #7 carries - 76 yes and 19 opposed.

### Amendment #8

Called for allowing a teleconference or phone poll to be conducted in the event that a general membership meeting fails to produce a quorum.

Motion: to approve Amendment #8

Oregon SC; 2<sup>nd</sup> BSA

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Motion fails

#### Amendment #9

Allows the rules for hosting tournaments and out-of-state travel to become compliant with United States Soccer Federation rules.

**Motion**: to approve Amendment #9 Paper Valley SC 2<sup>nd</sup> Croatian SC

Clarification from Brent Diderrich, Wi Youth Soccer Association state staff indicated that the United States Soccer Federation required 90 days notification for international play. Subsequently, #2, the statement regarding "30 days advance notice of international competition" was deleted from the amendment.

Motion approved

### Amendment #10

Policy statement on conflict of interest was withdrawn

### Amendment #11

This amendment was simply to indicate a wording change from Executive Board to Executive Committee.

**Motion to:** approve Amendment #11 New Holstein SC; 2<sup>nd</sup> Yahara SC *Motion carries* 

### Elections:

### **Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association Executive Board elections**

Bill Podewils calls for nominations for Vice-President

Sandy Cowan Burlington Youth SC nominates Mike Lekan.

Bill calls for nomination 3 times; no other nominations.

Mike Lekan is elected by acclimation.

**Motion**: for the unanimous appointment of Mike Lekan as Vice-President of Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association. *Approved*.

Bill Podewils calls for nominations for Treasurer of Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association.

Menasha SC nominates Peter Mariahazy.

Bill Podewils calls for nominations 3 times.

Peter Mariahazy is elected by acclimation.

**Motion**: for the unanimous appointment of Peter Mariahazy as Treasurer of Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association. *Approved*.

### **Wisconsin Soccer Association Youth Board Representatives elections**

Two members of the Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association are to be elected to serve as Youth Representatives to the Wisconsin Soccer Association Board. Stuart Jones, Paper Valley SC, nominates Mike O'Shea.

Ken Voigt, BSA, nominates Mike Lekan.

Bill Podewils calls for nominations 3 times.

No other nominations occur.

Bill Podewils moves to close the nomination process.

Mike O'Shea and Mike Lekan are elected to be Youth Representatives to Wisconsin Soccer Association Board by acclimation.

**Motion**: for the unanimous appointment of Mike O'Shea and Mike Lekan as youth representatives to the Wisconsin Soccer Association. *Approved*.

### **Budget 2004**

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Peter Mariahazy presented the 2005-05 budget. He informed AGM membership that the previous years budget was based on 66,000 players actual numbers were approximately 60,000. Peter informed the membership that the United States youth Soccer Association recently passed a proposal to increase dues by 25 cents in 2004 and again in 2005. He informed membership that the WYSA will absorb the 25-cent increase for 2004, but would pass on the full 50-cent increase onto the membership for 2005. Peter indicated that all executive committee members voted against the dues increase. Peter projected the approximate cost of insurance to be \$1.38 for the 2004-05 year. Peter received questions from the floor. The questions included inquires about salaries encroaching 40% of the operating budget, what the cash carry over and balance sheets looked like, whether coaching license/risk management program fees covered the cost of the program and how do we justify the amount of yearly carryover.

Peter responded by indicating that we have utilized money from the reserve fund for the startup cost of the coaching registration/risk management program. This included cost for materials, hardware and software. Additional reserve money is used to cover the cost of the "G" license coaching clinic, support to referee mentoring programs, soccer start and start up cost for new club/districts. He emphasized that major capital purchased come out of the reserve funds rather than yearly operating budgets. He further indicated there has not been a dues increase from the state association since 1999.

He commented that an increase in fees for tournaments was due to the loss of fees for travel permits. He noted that this was seen as a way to receive revenue from out of state teams who attend Wisconsin tournaments.

**Motion**: to approve the 2004-2005 Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association budget Rice Lake SC 2<sup>nd</sup> Shorewood Hills SC *Motion approved.* 

### **Wisconsin Soccer Association AGM**

Bill Podewils urged all club presidents to attend the Wisconsin Soccer Association meeting beginning at 1:00 p.m. (74 of 79 clubs participated). On the agenda will be 5 constitutional amendments.

### FOR THE GOOD OF SOCCER

Joe Krysaniak, Sr., SRA and Sue Walters, SYRA, promoted a referee-mentoring program. Goals are to increase referee retention. Funds through a grant application process will be made available. Aryln Clarkson promoted the viewing of "Attitudes Are Contagious" video.

Chris Brown, Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association Director of Coach introduced himself and announced Craig Carlson, as Associate Director of Coaching. Chris discussed improvements in G, Youth Module, E & D license formats. Chris promoted splitting the D license into a 6-part 5-day format to be held over several weekends. He further indicated since he has come on board, we have provided 7 D course license clinics. There will be a C license course in conjunction with Cardinal Stritch and Uhlien Soccer Park July 31 to August 8. Cost \$799.

Chris informed the membership he is soliciting for 2 new head Olympic Development coaches to begin this summer. He is currently developing a long-range 5-year Olympic Development player progression plan. The 88 ODP boys made it to the ODP National Championship in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Wi Soccer Coaches Association held their annual convention and workshop on March 6<sup>th</sup> in Fond du Lac, WI. Presenters included Toby Bares, Tom Bitris, Bob Speilman, Hayden Knight, and John Mroz. WSCA moving website to the WI Youth Soccer Association server for greater accessibility. Currently working on mini-workshops to be presented regularly throughout

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the state in Madison, SE Wisconsin, East Central and Stevens Point area. Specialized interest areas include keeper training, working with strikers and match analysis.

John Janasik invited everyone to stay for the Wisconsin Soccer Association AGM, and then promoted his favorite youth program TOPPS Soccer.

Darryl Durest from **BIG TOE SPORTS** highlighted the financial incentive program developed between Wi Youth Soccer Association and BIG TOE. This program will directly benefit clubs through price breaks and the WI Youth Soccer Association through financial givebacks.

Peter Mariahazy, on behalf of East Central Soccer District, announced the awarding of the 2006 Region 2 Championship series. Teams from all 14 states in the region will be in attendance.

Milwaukee Kickers SC recently bid on the 2007 National Championship series at the USYSA Convention held in Boston. The award announcement is due out in early summer.

Hall of Fame banquet is to be held at the Bavarian Inn on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2004. Mary Clarkson is to be inducted. Arlyn and Mary Clarkson are the first husband and wife combination to be inducted into the Hall of Fame. John McCue promoted Henry Keough (50 World Cup winner) as a featured speaker at a future Hall of Fame banquet.

FC Milwaukee asked the State Cup Committee to reevaluate the process in selecting sites for State Cup venues. Travel and costs were cited as reasons.

A request was made to analyze the cost of the coaching licensing/risk management program to see if fees are appropriate.

Marshall Murray, Program Director of Boys and Girls Olympic Development Program made himself available to all districts.

Robby Ward announced there is still available ACL prevention CD-ROMs available.

Sandy Cowan moved to close the meeting.

Submitted by Terry Donini Secretary WI Youth Soccer Association