State Board of Directors Meeting May 9, 2023 – 8:00pm Electronic Meeting

Meeting called to order at 8:04 pm by Ken Ward.

1. Attendance & Call to Order

Ken Ward (WYSA President), Jay DeBruin (WYSA Vice President), Chris Lay (WYSA Secretary), Connor Caloia (WYSA Treasurer), Michael King (Kickers), Chris Yustus (Midway), Mike Recklies (Stateline), Fred Yasatan (Racine), Alex Schroeder (Ozaukee), John Janasik (Metro), Parker Conover (MAYSA), Brandon Wachholz (SYRA), Francisco de la Rosa (Southwest), Ernie Englund (Kenosha), Shan Amini (Waukesha), Dusty Rhodes (east Central), Melissa Zielinski (WYSA Executive Director, Jim Launder (WYSA Director of Coaching), Craig Carlson (WYSA Associate Director of Coaching)

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes (04/11/23)

Motion by Jay DeBruin; seconded by John Janasik. Ken asks for an amendment noting Ernie Englund & Michael King were excused from the April 11 meeting. All are in favor. Minutes approved.

3. President's Updates (Ken Ward)

3.1. Committee Updates – following up on these Ken seeking to agree on committee chairs, staff liaison and, if possible, additional members from affiliate clubs.

- 3.1.1. AGM Alex Schroeder to chair. Meghan is staff liaison. Seeking member at large from affiliated clubs.
- 3.1.2. Finance Fred to chair. Melissa is staff liaison. Outside representative may come from "friend of WYSA" type person.
- 3.1.3. Governance Jay DeBruin to chair. Melissa is staff liaison. Jonella Rademacher has agreed as outside/club leader to assist.
- 3.1.4. Risk Management Mike Recklies to chair. Katie Schauer is staff liaison.

3.2. Registration software – Melissa shared updates on registration and scheduling software selection. Demosphere has approached WYSA about revision & extension of contract. Some of the proposals & provisions were not preferable to staff but a one-year extension was agreed upon. WYSA staff and a statewide committee of registrars continue to review Demosphere and other providers beginning with consideration for the 2024/2025 registration year. A key feature is the ability to facilitate and work with other software products at the club level.

3.3. SYRA – Melissa and Ken will be meeting with Jamey Walter (SRA) on 5/15 regarding the duties and responsibilities of the SYRA going forward.

3.4. WYSA Retreat – Ken Ward. Looking at mid-June at Breese Stevens/Forward Club as a launch of key initiatives, strategic and otherwise, that will ultimately culminate in mid-November retreat in the Della (Wilderness) where we hope to come to agreement on items that can be implemented and/or brought to the membership for consideration.

4. Treasurer's Report (Conor Caloia)

Through March strong cash position due to consistent revenues and program growth. Jay asked about the Brett Weisner scholarship fund and Melissa explained the details of how the revenues and expenses work on that line item.

5. Operation's Report (Melissa Zielinski)

Melissa shared report/data on referee numbers and new & recertifying referees from the past year (provided by SRA Jamey Walter). The Board provided input on priorities for the meeting with the SRA and WYSA referee

needs. Overall, improvement observed in the number of courses and public posting of schedules. However, the new training year starts July 1 and WYSA feels strongly that the summer and fall schedule should be posted soon in addition to the online portion being opened at the soonest possible date regardless of whether a curriculum for in person classes has been fully formulated. WYSA will use RMRI funds to guarantee courses in season are held per Jamey's proposal for courses to go on regardless of numbers if a deposit for related costs is made.

6. For the Good of the Game

- John Janasik suggests contacting local schools to engage students and grow player numbers.
- Mike Recklies updated on a serious Risk Management situation that occurred in Stateline District involving a threat of violence.
- Ken shared that Jamey Walter requested a meeting with him and WSL President, Jim Keller.

Alex Schroeder makes motion to adjourn, Mike Recklies seconds. Meeting adjourns at 9:22 pm