



**August 12, 2007 NYSWYSA BOD Meeting Minutes**

Present	Position	Name	Present	Position	Name
Y	<b>President</b>	Mike Radecke	Y	<b>Rochester Comm.</b>	Roger Best
Y	<b>1<sup>st</sup> VP</b>	Rich Wagner	Excused	<b>Syracuse Comm.</b>	Greg Firenze
Y	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> VP</b>	Matt Dimas		<b>Southern Tier Comm.</b>	Vacant
Y	<b>Secretary</b>	Curt Regruit		<b>Twin Tiers Comm.</b>	Vacant
Y	<b>Treasurer</b>	Brian Lang	Y	<b>Registrar/Data Base Mgr.</b>	Tim Mellander
Y	<b>Binghamton Comm.</b>	Kevin Arnold	Y	TopSoccer Coordinator	Teresa Doermer
Excused	<b>Buffalo Comm.</b>	Michael Russ		SYRA	Bill Campbell
Excused	ODP Administrator	Dave Matthews	Y	Director of Coaching	Glen Buckley
Y	Office Manager	Dan Watson	Excused		Sandy Ostebo

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>ROLL CALL:</b> Meeting was called to order at 8:30am		

<b>REPORTS &amp; BUSINESS DISCUSSIONS</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>StRiatus</b>
<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</b> The minutes from the July meeting were approved.		
<b>ACTION ITEMS REVIEW:</b> The review was deferred until the next board meeting.		
<b>FINANCIAL REPORT:</b> Expenses are a bit over budget for the month, but year-to-date it is favorable by \$35,000. Player registrations year-to-date are ahead of budget. Coach registrations are a bit behind budget. ODP is slightly over budget.	Lang	
<b>PRESIDENT'S REPORT:</b> No report was presented.	Radecke	
<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> VP REPORT:</b> Rich provided a status update of the negotiations and plans for the 2008 State Cup venue.</p> <p>A motion to approve the venue contract with Cortland Regional Sports Council was made by Kevin Arnold. Seconded by Curt Regruit. Unanimous approval.</p> <p>State Cup format will change as follows: Final Four weekend will be a 3-day format, with games played on Friday evening. During the play-down draw, teams who did not participate in the State Cup Final Four in the previous year will not be allowed draw preference for a bye over a team who did participate in the Final Four .</p> <p>Sponsorships generated \$87,500 in value in the 2006/2007 fiscal year. This included the value of uniforms &amp; equipment provided by SCORE for the ODP program.</p>	Wagner	
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> VP REPORT:</b> Matt reported that adjudication of the Dagele case has been completed. Two cases involving alleged referee misconduct are pending hearings.	Dimas	
<b>DIRECTOR OF REGISTRATION &amp; DATABASE/WEB SITE REPORT:</b> Tim provided his report. There were no issues that required any follow-up action.	Mellander	
<p><b>ODP ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:</b> Glen Buckley reported on the overall success of the ODP program during the past year. For the most part the ODP staff for the coming year is in place. More females are on staff than ever before.</p> <p>Millie Blaakman will become the ODP Administrator for the boys program. Dave Matthews will be the administrator for the girls program. The budgeted stipend for ODP administration will be split between the 2 administrators. In the past a single ODP Administrator received the full stipend.</p>	Matthews	
<b>DIRECTOR OF COACHING REPORT:</b> Glen presented his report. There were no issues requiring follow-up action.	Buckley	

Mark Edwards, U15 Academy coach with Manchester United, will provide a session during the 2007 AGM Coaches Workshop weekend.		
<b>OFFICE MANAGER REPORT:</b> Dan presented his report. He is continuing to follow up with clubs that have outstanding registration fees due for the 2006/2007 year.  Dan is researching alternative vendors for conducting risk management background searches. Dan just received an announcement from our current vendor that they are increasing the cost of each search from \$2 to \$7. He is following up to verify if the cost increase referenced was in error.	Watson	
<b>TOPSOCCER:</b> Teresa provided her report. She is working on submitting grant requests via the Ronald McDonald House chapter in Buffalo.	Doermer	
<b>RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS:</b> Dan reported that he's working on alternative programs to help facilitate the process more efficiently.	Watson	
<b>AGM KEY NOTE SPEAKER:</b> Glen Buckley is continuing to search for a speaker for the AGM dinner.	Buckley	
<b>SCORE CONTRACT:</b> The new SCORE contract has been approved and signed.	Buckley	
<b>DOC CONTRACT:</b> A motion to approve the contract was made by Kevin Arnold and seconded by Roger Best. The vote of the executive board was to approve the contract with 6 in favor and 1 opposed.		
<b>PULLEN INSURANCE PROPOSAL:</b> The proposal has been approved with a \$.09/player reduction in the fee, with coverage remaining unchanged.		
<b>PERSONNEL POLICY:</b> A motion was made by Roger Best to accept the policy with the changes presented, and verification that the policies meet USSF bylaw requirements. The motion was seconded by Kevin Arnold. Approval was unanimous.		
<b>CORPORATE CARD POLICY:</b> A motion to approve the policy with the changes discussed was made by Curt Regruit and seconded by Roger Best. Approval was unanimous.		
<b>FINANCIAL PHILOSOPHY POLICY:</b> Motion to approve policy changes was made by Kevin Arnold & seconded by Matt Dimas, with unanimous approval.		
<b>USSF TRAVEL EXPENSE POLICY:</b> The policy was approved prior to the board meeting.		
<b>NOMINATING COMMITTEE SOUTHERN TIER POSITION:</b>	Best	
<b>CUBA RUSHFORD YSL:</b> A motion to approve their membership was made by Matt Dimas and seconded by Curt Regruit. Approval was unanimous.		
<b>VARSITY SPORTS CONTRACT PROPOSAL:</b> Consideration may be given to distribution of the Coaches Handbook in CD format instead of hard copy. Overall, the board feels that Varsity Sports has served us well during the past year. The current contract proposal cuts the cost to NYSWYSA approximately in half vs. our previous agreement. A motion to approve the contract was made by Roger Best, seconded by Matt Dimas, with unanimous approval.		
<b>LIVONIA SOCCER CLUB, INC.:</b> This club would be the travel soccer club serving the Livonia area. A motion to accept their membership in NYSWYSA was made by Roger Best, seconded by Curt Regruit, and approved unanimously.		
<b>BUFFALO SOCCER CLUB:</b> A motion to approve NYSWYSA membership was made by Brian Lang and seconded by Roger Best, with unanimous approval.		
<b>EMPIRE UNITED SOCCER ACADEMY (EUSA):</b> Discussion ensued about whether to approve membership of EUSA into NYSWYSA. Discussion focused on what would be in the best interests of the players involved and how EUSA membership and club expansion might affect other NYSWYSA member clubs.  A motion to accept EUSA into NYSWYSA membership was made by Brian Lang and seconded by Kevin Arnold. Approval was passed with 6 in favor and 2 opposed.		
<b>FOR THE GOOD OF THE GAME:</b>		
<b>SOUTHERN TIER DISTRICT COMMISSIONER:</b> Matt Dimas proposed allowing Joe Hoose to act as an informal liason between the Southern Tier District and NYSWYSA. This would not be a NYSWYSA Board of Director position. He is currently president of a soccer club, which per USSF/NYSWYSA bylaws would prohibit him from becoming the District Commissioner at this time, unless he withdrew as president. It would help us fill a need for the time being until he or someone else can take on the District Commissioner job outright in the future.		

Meeting was adjourned at 1:53 pm