



New York West Youth Soccer Association Board Meeting

OCTOBER 2000

The Board of Directors for New York State West Youth Soccer Association (“NYSWYSA”) held their meeting in Corning, New York, on Sunday, October 1, 2000. The meeting was called to order by President Tony Buiniskis at 10:00AM.

1. ROLL CALL

ATTENDING:

Tony Buiniskis, President
John Galli, Vice President/Cup Administrator
Karl Krech, Second Vice President
John Pecchia, Treasurer
Millie Blaakman, Secretary & ODP Administrator
Larry Evarts, Recreation Director/TOPSoccer
Dan Watson, Operations Manager
Donna Mizerak, State Office
Gary Acker, Risk Management
District Commissioners:
Roger Best, Rochester
Louise Freeman, Southern Tier
Roger Jank, Buffalo
Sandy Ostebo, Twin Tiers
Kevin Perrigo, Syracuse
Bob Sokolinsky, Binghamton

EXCUSED:

Glen Buckley, Director of Coaching
Tim Mellander, Registrar
Bill Fahey, SYRA

2. MEETING MINUTES

Amendments to the August Planning Meeting minutes were made. On a motion by Krech, seconded by Jank, the motion to approve as amended passed unanimously.

3. TREASURER’S REPORT

Pecchia presented the Board with the status of the 1999-2000 budget. Additionally, a draft of the budget for 2000-2001 year was presented. Pecchia explained to the Board that many clubs are not submitting registration monies until after the end of the fiscal year. Because fees have not been paid, said club will not have insurance coverage and therefore, will not be allowed to play. Travel clubs not submitting registration monies will not receive player passes.

Action Item: Ostebo will contact Bene Marc regarding insurance coverage when clubs submit registration fees and advise.



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Following discussion, Krech made a motion that any club who has not submitted registration monies in a 90-day window is considered by NYSWYSA to be in bad standing. Jank seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Action Item: Galli will send letters to all facilities and clubs that are 90 days in arrears

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. MARKETING/COMMUNICATIONS

Ostebo made a motion to switch to Hammerhead Communications pending review of their contract to ensure that costs and quality are equal to or less than Varsity Communications. Galli seconded the motion. The motion passed with 8 voting in favor, and 1 abstention.

Action Item: Buiniskis to review and advise.

B. ON-LINE REGISTRATION – GALLI

Galli is coordinating a demonstration of this product during the SoccerFest weekend of events. The committee has sent a specification document to EuroSports, Zvia, and Sports On-Line, and is awaiting their responses.

Action Item: Galli to advise.

C. STATE CUP – GALLI

Lesland Blake must approve the artwork for the State Cup prior to being put to print.

Action Item: Blaakman to provide artwork samples for approval.

D. PRESIDENT'S CUP – GALLI

The tournament has been approved for August 4 & August 5, 2001, at SUNY Brockport.

E. STATE DIRECTOR OF COACHING – BUCKLEY

The issue of small-sided games will be discussed at another time. A copy of this report is on file at the State Office.

F. RECREATION - EVARTS

Evarts reported that Dryden hosted a Chevrolet Festival with over 2,000 children attending. Central Square will host a Kellogg's Tournament next year, and two different clubs have approached NYSW to host the Tide American Festival in 2001.

Action Item: Evarts will confirm dates for these events.

G. REFEREE - FAHEY

No report was presented. Jank motioned to approve the referee's contract as amended; the motion was seconded by Best, and unanimously approved.

H. RISK MANAGEMENT – ACKER



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Each coach, volunteer, administrator is required to complete a Volunteer Disclosure Statement before receiving a valid Coaching Pass. There will be a table at the SoccerFest activities for this purpose. The Coaches pass will be valid for 2 years from the issue date stamped on the pass. A motion to implement a \$10 initial processing fee was called out of order for timing of proposed increase as per the Association's by-laws.

Action Item: The implementation of a Risk Management processing fee will be brought up before the membership at the AGM and pending their approval, would take effect September 1, 2001.

I. SOCCERFEST WEEKEND – SOKOLINSKY

Coaches Symposium – Saturday November 18, starting at 10 a.m. at the ESL on Monroe Community College's campus. Buckley has organized the schedule for the daytime activities at the Symposium. These activities include coaching sessions by Tom Goodman, Dean Conway, a session on Risk Management by Fran Sepler. Watson is handling the vendors and details at the ESL.

Annual Dinner - Sokolinsky presented the details for the Annual Dinner on November 18th. Evarts and Best are reviewing nominations for the following awards that will be presented at the Annual Dinner. Awards to be presented are Samba Beat Region I Champion (Galli); Region I ODP Pool Players (Buckley); Kellogg's Volunteer of the Year (Evarts); Chevrolet Parent of the Year (Buiniskis); Boys Coach of the Year (Buckley); Girls Coach of the Year (Buckley); Referee of the Year (Fahey); Girls Recreational Coach of the Year (Evarts); Boys Recreational Coach of the Year (Evarts).

Blaakman is handling the hotel accommodations with the Holidome.

J. ADJUDICATION MANUAL

Galli made a motion to approve the proposed amendments to the By-Laws as noted. Best seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

K. REGION 1 US SNICKERS SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIPS

Buiniskis reported to the Board the members of NYSWYSA's involvement in the 2001 and 2002 Snickers US Youth Soccer Region I Championships Committees.

Chairman-Tony Buiniskis-President of New York West
Co-Host-Roger Jank/Roland Beck
Co-Treasurer- Bob Reardon and John Pecchia
Opening Ceremonies Chairperson-Roger Jank
Publicity-Millie Blaakman

5. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GAME

Best reported to the Board that the Rochester district has been experiencing a shortage in referees for the numerous outdoor tournaments. Best made the motion, "NYSWYSA limits one (1) outdoor travel team tournament per district per weekend unless representatives from



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both competing clubs and the Referee Association agree to it in writing.” The motion was seconded by Jank, and was carried unanimously.

6. FUTSOL TOURNAMENT - GALLI

Dolansky from Region I will be providing Galli with the rules and requirements for the Futsol Tournament.

Action Item: Galli will coordinate upon receipt of rules.

7. NEW CLUB APPLICATION

An application for a new member club of NYSWYSA was accepted by Horseheads Dynamo from the

Twin Tiers District. On a motion by Blaakman, seconded by Best, the motion carried unanimously.

8. U10 TOURNAMENTS

District Commissioners are to review Permission to Host applications more closely to ensure that the hosting organization is complying with keeping the U10 group as non-competitive status.

9. MERCHANDISING

Buiniskis will send a letter to Sahlens Sports Center stating the Board's decision to not enter a marketing program of NYSWYSA merchandise.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Sincerely,

Millie Blaakman
Secretary

Approved: November 17, 2000