



October 10, 2007 NYSWYSA BOD Meeting Minutes

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

AGENDA ITEM	Responsibility	Status
ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 9:16 PM.		

REPORTS & BUSINESS DISCUSSIONS	Responsibility	Status
APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes from the September 12, 2007 meeting were approved as written.		
ACTION ITEMS REVIEW: Completed review of pending Action Items.		
FINANCIAL REPORT: Brian Lang briefly reviewed highlights of the Financial Report that was distributed prior to the meeting. The bottom line is the State Association is in good financial condition with total income and expenses on track.	Lang	
SYRA – USSF 531.8 EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES: No report received. Information regarding USSF 531.8 requirements will be in the next Striker West and Coaches’ Handbook, and will be presented at November 17, 2007 NYSWYSA AGM.		
PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Mike Radecke briefly reviewed his report that was distributed prior to the meeting touching on key items that required further discussion/explanation (ODP Administrator change, Adidas Workshop attendance, Falconer S. C.).	Radecke	
1st VP REPORT: Rich Wagner discussed his previously distributed reports on State Cup and the status of interactions with the Rochester Rhinos. State Cup dates are set, contract is to be finished soon, unanimous decision made to do “blind draw” in Cortland unless problem arises. Rich is working closely with the Rochester Rhinos on current issues and has offered them time at the NYSW AGM to make a presentation.	Wagner	
2nd VP REPORT: There are two adjudication cases regarding referee conduct in process. One has been settled and a hearing for the other is being scheduled.	Dimas	
DIRECTOR OF REGISTRATION & DATABASE/WEB SITE REPORT: Prior to the meeting, Tim Mellander reported that NYSW player registration is 103% of last year’s number.	Mellander	
ODP ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Glen Buckley presented the ODP status in his Director of Coaching Report, which was distributed prior to the meeting. Tryouts completed (numbers were down), player pools formed, Administrators, and Staff in place, working on new OPD (looking to lower player costs). ODP Administrators need better access to NYSW Website. Glen will work with Tim Mellander on this concern.		
DIRECTOR OF COACHING REPORT: Glen presented his excellent report, including financials, which was distributed prior to the meeting. He is very pleased with the ADOC Program’s progress and the interest in the Special Coaching Session to be held during the upcoming NYSW AGM Weekend.	Buckley	
OFFICE MANAGER REPORT: Dan’s report was submitted prior to the meeting. Discussed ongoing preparations for the official mailing to member clubs and leagues regarding the upcoming NYSW AGM. He also stressed the importance of club and League directors and officers to be registered in RosterPro in order to be covered by Directors’ & Officers’ Liability Insurance.	Watson	

TOPSOCCER: No report received. A successful Jamboree was held in Ithaca.	Doermer	
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	Responsibility	Status
NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Roger Best requested updated biographies and pictures from President Mike Radecke, 2nd VP Matt Dimas & Secretary Curt Regruit for posting on the NYSW Website, as these three offices are up for election at this year's AGM. No outside nominations have been received to date.	Best	
AGM PREP/VENDOR SHOW: Dan Watson is working with the Rochester Rhinos sponsors. Varsity Communications has five committed sponsors.		
AGM AWARDS COMMITTEE: Mike Russ reported on the status of the nominations received. No nominations for Recreational Coaches have been received. Several candidates for the NYSW Hall of Fame are being considered. Mike will set up a Conference Call for the committee on Sunday night, October 14 th .	Russ	
USYS MEETING FEBRUARY 2008: Mike has received responses from those Board Members interested in attending.		
NEW BUSINESS	Responsibility	Status
GRANT PROPOSAL: Mike Russ discussed his previously distributed proposal for a "NYSWYSA give-back" program to support member clubs' efforts to implement small-sided play and small-sided player development. After considerable discussion, a motion to offer a modified version of the proposal to the member clubs was made by Mike Russ, seconded by Kevin Arnold and unanimously approved. A letter will be sent to member club presidents explaining the proposal and its acceptance will be put to a vote by the membership at the upcoming NYSW AGM.	Russ	
FALCONER AREA SOCCER CLUB: A motion to accept the club back into the NYSWYSA was made by Kevin Arnold, seconded by Brian Lang and approved unanimously by the Board of Directors on the conditions that the Club Membership Application and Bylaws are re-submitted and found to be acceptable.		
2008 NYSWYSA BUDGET: A motion was made by Kevin Arnold, seconded by Mike Russ and unanimously approved by the Board of Directors to accept the proposed 2008 NYSWYSA Budget prepared by Brian Lang.		
RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS: Brian Lang requested that the Board of Directors consider changing the Risk Management Process from its current paper based system to electronic forms, which Demosphere already has available. A concern was raised about the legality of electronic signatures in NY State. Brian believes they are now legal, but this will be brought up with the attorney. The Board of Directors approves going with electronic forms providing they are found to be legal.		
FOR THE GOOD OF THE GAME: The name of Greater Homer Youth Soccer has been changed to the Cortland County Youth Soccer Association.		

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 PM.