

AGM, Nov. 8, 1998

Board members present: Tony Buiniskis, John Galli, Robert Gunn, Larry Evarts, Roger Best, Roger Jank, Donna Vavonese, Louise Freeman, Gary Acker, Sandy Ostebo, Tim Mellander, George Herrick, Ian Redpath

Budget Preview – Bob Gunn

Bob previewed the 98/99 budget and some projections for 99/2000 to a group of people prior to the regularly scheduled AGM. He covered each of the categories and answered any questions from the membership. The preview session took 2 hours.

Awards – Louise Freeman

Louise made the following awards at the awards banquet:

Boys' coach of the year - Tom Allen - Rochester

Girls' coach of the year - Pierre Chagnon - Southern Chautauqua United, Bemus Point

Chevrolet Parent of the year - Cindy McWhorter - Soaring Capital, Elmira

Kellog's Volunteer of the year - Kevin Perrigo - Salt City, Liverpool

Boys' Young Referee of the year - Jeffrey Probst - East Amherst

Girls' Young Referee of the year - Nicole Olszewski - Lancaster

America Playgrounds Gift Certificates – Tony Buiniskis

Mary Joe, from Buffalo, pulled out the names for the gift certificates, and the winners were as follows:

EMW Soccer Club, Grand Island Soccer Club, Young America Soccer Club – all from Buffalo

The regularly scheduled AGM was called to order by Tony Buiniskis at 2:00 p.m.

AGM Roll Call – Larry Evarts

44 club delegates and 16 proxies were accounted for with a total of 166 votes.

Bylaws – Sandy Ostebo

Sandy reviewed the Bylaws with the membership and answered any questions. Motion made by EMW Soccer Club to accept the new Bylaws. Motion seconded By John Pecchia of Rochester and passed unanimously.

The nonattendance fee will start with the next AGM in November of

1999. (p.4 #7 in Bylaws)

Each member club will receive a notice of what needs to be done to comply with the new USSF Bylaw 213.

Budget 98/99 – Bob Gunn

Bob reviewed the budget, category by category, with the membership. Motion was made by Greater Homer Soccer Club to accept the 98/99 budget. Motion was seconded by the Ithaca United Soccer Club and passed unanimously.

Budget 99/2000 – Bob Gunn

The NYSWYSA registration fee for Recreational and Travel players will increase by \$1.00. The cost for a Travel player pass will increase by \$1.00. Thus making the total cost for a Recreational player \$5.00, and the total cost for a Travel player \$8.00. The increases from the fees will primarily be used to pay for a full time State Director of Coaching, a full time Bookkeeper, and an Internal Audit Committee. Motion was made by the Greece Buccaneers Soccer Club to increase the registration fee and player pass fee as proposed. Motion was seconded by the Greater Homer Soccer Club and passed unanimously.

Programs – Tony Buiniskis

Tony stated that recreational players will receive more educational materials and the new Youth Coaching Modules. He also said that NY West will assist with referee training programs, and that the State Director of Coaching will become a full time position. A national search will be undertaken to select this full time Director of Coaching, and Tony is looking for volunteers to work on a committee to handle this task.

TOP Soccer – Bob Otto

Bob showed a video of TOP Soccer, which is a program for young athletes with disabilities. He is looking for people to help start this program across NYS West

Election of Officers – Sandy Ostebo

Sandy opened the floor to nominations for the offices of First Vice President and Treasurer. A motion was made by the Niagara Soccer Club for John Galli as First Vice President and Bob Gunn for Treasurer. Motion was seconded by the River Side Soccer Club, and with no other nominations being made, both were elected unanimously. Bob Gunn then asked if anyone was interested in the office of Second Vice President. No nominations were presented.

Interim State Director of Coaching – George Herrick

George stated that all courses/clinics must be approved by the State Director of Coaching and posted 4 weeks in advance of the date. He also emphasized that all monies will be handled directly

through the State Office.

The AGM was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

BOD Meeting following the AGM

The meeting was called to order by Tony Buiniskis at 4:10 pm. A motion was made by Louise Freeman to approve and sanction the elections of officers and directors. The motion was seconded by Roger Best and passed unanimously. A motion was made by Sandy Ostebo to re-admit the Alfred YSC as a member of NYSWYSA. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.