

BRIAN YORCK SUMMARY OF:

Meeting Minutes

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

December 2, 2010

Held at CDYSL

The following individuals were in attendance at this meeting: Kitty Heiser; Jim Heiser; Brian Yorck; Tammy Kishbaugh; Melody Holiday; Tim Frament; Italo Carcich; Patrick Ramundo; David Sparks; Mary Ann Schubmehl; Roy Pfeil; Afrim Nezaj; Charlie Curto; Dave Yule

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Rumondo noted the confrontational nature of the past meetings and requested that we put the differences to rest and take any personal differences out of the meetings and concentrate on business for the good of the sport. He also noted that he doesn't generally send out the agenda ahead of time because there are always changes on the agenda.

MINUTES:

Executive session protocol was discussed and the minutes were amended to adhere to protocol. Discussion regarding the style of minutes was held and it was agreed that the Secretary would provide summary style minutes of the executive board meetings from the meeting notes taken by T. Kishbaugh.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Handouts were submitted. I. Carcich reviewed the income and expenses in the report from September 1st, 2010 through November 2010, it does not show items from last year. He stated they are financial activities that were dealt with during that time period and if we receive last year items during this time frame, such as a rebate or such it will appear in this report. He explained the details of expenses of the PDA expenses in the report. President Rumondo noted that the report states that we are 10% under in payroll. I. Carcich clarified we are on target per his records. Handouts for checks issued over the past month and status of our Certificates of Deposit were reviewed and discussed.

D. Sparks noted the handout of items that need to be dealt with especially the ones he has a "star" next to, and the need to follow through with completing the items. President Rumondo provided a status report on some of the items.

I. Carcich reported on tracking registrations and efforts to reach an agreement with ENY on the registration numbers and monies that we pay them.

It was noted that printing checks from the computer could help the efficiency of the office.

Discussion was held on the tracking and reporting of fines and fees and the billing cycle.

TO DO ITEMS:

T. Frament – To help with the tracking of fees and fines as needed.

D. Sparks – To contact Logical Net re: websites and advertising.

I. Carcich – Issue a check for Exceptional Sr. facility use. Follow up with Alex on items to be completed. Follow up with the Bank of America re: signatory.

EXCEPTIONAL SENIORS:

K. Heiser provided a handout and reported on the event. Discussion was held and it was noted that we saved \$85 this year, and also didn't receive as many profiles due to poor communication by Section II to the players. She would like to find a way to get the profiles in earlier next year. President Rumondo stated that the games are run very well and he has heard nothing but great comments from those involved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Discussion was held regarding Eastern New York allowing direct registration. Issues were noted with the Greenville Soccer Club and an applicant for membership, Hawthorn Valley. President Rumondo advised that he will be working with ENY and our clubs to address this and prevent future problems for our members. The issue of recreation only clubs branching out to include travel was discussed. The Halfmoon Soccer Club was given as an example. The membership committee will look into this. ed in as a recreation club and they are now trying to branch out as travel teams and Pat asks that Mary Ann find out the paperwork on that club and gets it to Dave Sparks.

TO DO ITEMS:

M. Schubmehl will provide the Halfmoon paperwork to D. Sparks for review and determination of status.

NOT IN GOOD STANDINGS:

It was noted that there are three clubs who are not associated in our league as they are in different State Leagues. The State Leagues want more details on the fees that are due. Once we received their request in a letter form, we will send them what they need.

President Rumondo will follow-up with Monument through Vermont.

Discussion was held regarding out of state clubs providing requests to play and team rosters. It was agreed that these items should be provided. There was further discussion on out of state clubs regarding risk management, and other legal issues. It was noted that the by-laws did not speak to this issue. President Rumondo requested that we check with Bruce Rosenthal on the risk management area regarding outside clubs. It was stated that our club members expect that we do make sure that all adults have the risk management background check done. He also requested I. Carcich to call Jim on the interstate play of teams. Team commitment form concerns will be addressed by I. Carcich.

Lanyards on coaching passes for these out of state teams were discussed and it was determined that we need to look into this further.

Discussion was held regarding the following clubs: ADK Academy, Catskill Soccer Club, Chazy Soccer Club, Hunter Tannersville, Schenectady Soccer Club and Soccer United Premier. It was determined that I. Carcich will call Catskill and Chazy soccer clubs and that D. Sparks will review the paperwork for the remaining clubs. President Rumondo made a motion that the clubs be put in bad standings and then contacts ENY to let them know. It was seconded and voted on and passed. Roy asks that the bad standings sheet be separated and only show the bad standings clubs.

RULES COMMITTEE:

D. Sparks stated that the by-laws are almost complete and he will get them to Tammy. He stated that the Constitution, Rules, languages, and such so that the Executive Board and look at it and proceed. Dave stated the Constitution is okay at this time. President Rumondo asked Brian to assist on the Rules Committee.

WEBSITE:

Discussion was held and it was noted that at a previous meeting there were recommendations and discussions and it was stated that there were going to be some changes and how to proceed. Pres. Rumondo would like to see a more aggressive effort to obtaining volunteers for the Focus Group for this project.

COSTS DOING BUSINESS:

Discussion was held regarding fees and web site usage including establishing policy and procedure to address usage. It was noted that a proposal was presented at a prior meeting. Concerns about the capability of the current web design's ability to accommodate changes were noted. Mary Ann was commended for doing a great job at handling usage requests without the help of guidelines. Pat is looking to have something done by the January meeting. There were discussions on the topic and thoughts on how to operate at this time. It was proposed to keep everything the same in the process and charge \$75 for non-profit and \$100 for profit businesses. It was determined that it will stay as it has been at this time.

MINI WORKSHOP:

It was reported that the school district has been contacted regarding availability and use fees for the proposed coaching workshop that will replace the four nights of coaches meetings usually held in March. We are looking at one location and one day to get this event done. Some rooms have been reserved for March 26th. Discussion was held on space needs and estimated costs. I. Carcich will work on determining a cost and report on his findings.

REFEREES:

INDOOR FACILITY GAMES:

It was reported that referees at the indoor facilities are using their FIFA badges. Referees are not permitted to wear USSF badges at non-sanctioned events. It was agreed that the M. Schubmehl send out an e-mail to the referees that they are not to wear the USSF badges at non-sanctioned events.

GAMES COMMITTEE REPORT:

T. Frament reported that in January, they are going out to the full leagues to vote on the changes the proposed. Tim states that the team commitments are being sent out next week and they are putting together a cover letter to the President outlining the changes and that it will be voted on and it is expected to be passed. He stated that the other pieces that were discussed is that there is a proposal for some slight changes to the guest player policy and tweaks to the fines and fees and they want to move a three man system to Division 1 and 2 at U14 age groups. He stated that they want to propose a rule change for stoppages, in CDYSL league play to match the State Cup rules which will essentially say that on any stoppage you can substitute. Tim explains the fines and fees changes in prices. He states that if a team changes a game within a one week time frame, the team owes the referee fees. He stated that with a forfeit, it seems like there are some reasonable issues that come up and for the first offense for a forfeit it is only \$25 but that does not cover no-show teams, that stays at a \$100 fine. The minor change to the guest player policy is that it now starts at U14 and they want it for U12 and U10's and the biggest thing is that they are smaller sided with small rosters and if a player is missing, the guest players are only allowed for 2 guest players not like the other age groups who are allowed three. Kitty stated that the policy will show a new chart and outline the rules for each age group. There were discussions on some of the items especially the three man referee system going down an age group. There were discussions on this topic regarding this particular change to see if they want it available this year and the possibility of it becoming mandatory the following year.

PDA:

UPDATES TO PROGRAM:

Charlie Curto and Afrim Nezaj, representing the selected vendor, presented a status report and handouts for the PDA program. Afrim noted that the booklet is a work in progress but they wanted to show the league what they have been working on to make sure that we are on the same path in doing

what we want to do for the soccer players in the program. A question and answer session followed where concerns were addressed and clarification of expectations were detailed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

EMPIRE CUP 2010:

M. Schubmehl reported on the program. It was noted that profits were down and that this was a reflection of the economy and not the program. She reported that we will get the Empire Cup site up and running before the first of the year and wants to look for other advertising to get the notice out. Any help will be appreciated and Pres. Rumondo will get the Region I list to her.

CREDIT CARD ACCEPTANCE:

Dave Yule reports the options that he has received from SportsSignup and he stated that there are a few that do not work well with them and he stated that he uses credit cards in his club. He stated that they have a competitive rate and the cost to benefit ratio in his opinion is the way to go. He has no credit card fraud in all of the years that his club has been using this system. He stated that they found out the fee is reasonable, they collect the fees more efficiently versus checks and easier collections of monies. Dave stated that it cuts down a lot of work in many areas for different events that you need to collect funds. Dave stated that the events he has used a credit card for events, registrations, tournaments, camps, banquets, merchandise and more. There were discussions on different areas in using credit cards and the pros and cons for this. Pat stated that we need approval of the executive board for the use of credit card for programs under the SportsSignup umbrella and a vote was taken and it was unanimous that this be done.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pres. Rumondo reported that the President's Cup is moving forward and he has contacted the clubs involved, Clifton Park and Saratoga.

T. Frament reported that coaching courses are being conducted for the F course, they are now doing half of the course on-line and the other half is done as a field clinic.

T. Frament stated that the President's League may go back to the Premier League and the new powers do not like the teams who compete with their teams and take their teams away from them. They don't like them taking their best players either. Long Island, East Hudson and Cosmopolitan are the ones with the issues with this taking place and they are looking to limit it to six teams per division. R. Pfile stated that the Region Leagues do serve a purpose and the Eastern NY Premier League was a good thing as well, but he feels it sounds like a power trip and they want to control their clubs and players.

FASA:

Pres. Rumondo reported that Mary Ann has received financial aid applications and he will appoint a committee for the Financial Scholarship Review Board to accept the application. He nominated Dave Yule as Chair of this Committee. A vote was taken and approved. He asked that the committee work quickly because we do have applications. Dave Sparks, Brian Yorck and Mary Ann were appointed to the committee.

GOOD OF THE SPORT:

Pres. Rumondo stated that the registration data to date is in a handout and is self explanatory.

It was suggested that we limit the Executive Meetings to no more than two hours and noted that if each committee submits a report, it could go faster.

A hand out on voting matters and procedures was provided as a guideline and a discussion topic for our next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:20 pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Tammy Kishbaugh