

**Illinois Youth Soccer Association**  
Approved Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting  
September 20, 2014  
IYSA Office

Board Members Present: Gus Bender, Bob Berkley, Charlie Dyson, Flo Dyson, Kelly Fairwood, Dave Hicks, Stuart Kasten, Gary Seyring

Board Members Absent: Salvador Arroyo, Yianny Caparos. Both were excused.

Guests: Bill Bruno, Tim Deters, Rick Flores, Hugh Orlicz, Mary Jane Bender (recording secretary)

The regular board meeting was called to order by the president, Gus Bender, at 9:23 AM.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### **MOTION**

**Dave Hicks moved to approve the Minutes of the August 9, 2014 Board of Directors Meeting as amended.**

**Minutes were unanimously approved.**

### **STATE CUP/PRESIDENTS CUP/ PREMIERSHIP DIVISION**

Bill Bruno presented the State Cup/Presidents Cup/Premiership Division Report. The numbers of teams in State Cup/Presidents Cup have increased. Teams like the round-robin format.

### **MRL REPORT**

Bill stated that the State Premiership Division is a huge success. He asked the Board to consider a U12 program to qualify teams for the U13 MRL. Bill is discussing with Missouri an IL-MO MRL division.

### **REFEREE REPORT**

Tim Deters presented the Referee Report.

#### **MOTION**

**Bob Berkley moved that by February 1, 2015 every referee that officiates in IYSA programs must have the Centers for Disease Control Heads Up Concussion in Youth Sports Completion Certificate.**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

Gary Seyring asked the Referee Committee to facilitate the Concussion Awareness process.

Bob Berkley would like Referee Committee to schedule a meeting between the leagues and the referee assignors.

Charlie Dyson asked the Referee Committee to remind referees to check the passes prior to each game and to include in the referee clinics the leagues' rules of competition and practical information regarding the relationship between referees and spectators.

## **MOTION**

**Stu Kasten moved to approve the proposed housekeeping changes to the IYSA Policies and Procedures.**

**Motion was unanimously approved.**

## **SISL REPORT**

Stu Kasten reported on the SISL. Bill Bruno will facilitate changes.

## **COACHING & ODP REPORT**

Rick Flores presented the Coaching & ODP Report. He reported that US Soccer is developing a new 'F' course and an online coaching education platform.

## **TOURNAMENT REPORT**

Hugh Orlicz presented the Tournament Report. IYSA approves approximately 50 tournaments each year. He will conduct a Tournament Directors meeting in November.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Gary Seyring presented the Financial Report. Dave Hicks asked that the prior year's actual figures be listed on the budget.

## **INVESTMENT REPORT**

Stu Kasten presented the Investment Report.

## **MARKETING REPORT**

Mary Jane Bender presented the Marketing Report. The 2014 Soccer Expo was a success with an estimated 4000 in attendance. She thanked the Young Sportsmen's Soccer League for holding their scheduling meeting at the Expo and Chicago Fire for their excellent staff, facility and accommodations. The Mia Hamm Fundraiser is scheduled on October 25, 2014 at Players Indoor Sports Center in Naperville.

## **SOCCER FOR SUCCESS REPORT**

Mary Jane Bender presented the Soccer for Success Report. Illinois Youth Soccer is conducting Soccer for Success (SFS) programs at 21 inner city sites in Chicago. Two SFS boys' teams comprised of players from ten urban schools are participating in the Young Sportsmen's Soccer League. One SFS girls' team comprised of players from six urban schools is participating in the Illinois Women's Soccer League. She thanked both leagues for supporting the teams.

## **OFFICE REPORT**

Mary Jane Bender presented the Office Report. She reported that the total registrations increased due to the growth in the number of competitive players.

## **RECREATIONAL LEAGUE APPROVAL**

**East Boogie Soccer Club was approved as a recreational member league.**

**The approval for Burbank Bulldogs FC was tabled indefinitely.**

**The Accelerated Center Indoor Soccer League was approved as a recreational member league.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **MOTION**

**Gary Seyring asked Illinois Youth Soccer to support the US Women's National Team players in their campaign to have the 1995 Women's World Cup played on grass.**

**Motion was unanimously approved.**

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Board Meeting of the IYSA is scheduled on December 6, 2014 at the IYSA office.

Gus Bender declared the Board Meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM.