

The Florida Youth Soccer Association (“FYSA”) Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 12:50 PM.

Roll was taken by Lois Epps, Secretary – Absent: Sandy Parker (Lois Epps has proxy), Tommy Slater (\_\_\_\_\_ has proxy), Usha Vargas, Gloria Wyatt, Mark Chapman, Miguel Denny; all other members present.

Guests included Dale Burke, Mike Strickler from Office

For those of you who don’t know yet John Weekly VP of Region D resigned from his position last Tuesday due to work and Sandy Parker VP of Comp is not here due to a death in the family and she had to travel out of town. That is why they are not here and won’t be coming in this weekend.

The agenda was adopted as amended.

Motion by \_Rhonda Link-Cummings\_  
Second by \_Dave Ditillio\_  
Motion Passed

**A. Approve Previous Minutes – NEED DATE**

- a. January 24, 2010 BOD meeting – Approved as presented.

Did everybody get the previous Minutes and Agenda that I (Marino) sent out the other day, all the emails? The only thing that I can do is type B or D @fysa.com. If there is a problem with you getting the email I need to know so that we can fix the group email. Dale was introduced. Dale will be handing out a sheet for update of information in Sunday’s meeting.

Motion by \_Patty Wilson\_  
Second by \_Becky McLaren\_  
Motion Passed

**B. Correspondence** – None

**C. Presidents Report** – None Yet

**D. Secretary’s Report** -

- a. Credentials – Everybody should now have their voting package for the weekend, if not see Lois or Carmen afterwards we’ll get it taken care. Your proxies should have been handed in; Carmen will take care of pulling those packets and at 4:30 you need to come to the registration area if you gotten proxies and you want everything combined, make sure you are there at 4:30 and Carmen will combine them at that time, so that you are there and you can see what she is doing and all is taken care of appropriately. Credentials are open from 5 – 8 tonight, they are open from 8 – 12 tomorrow and they will close promptly at noon, so please encourage your affiliates to get there in a timely manor because they will close on time. We have a lot of calculating and work that we have to do after credentials is close. Please advise your affiliates that 12:00 does mean 12:00 before the lunch.

**Marino recognized a guest that joined the meeting, Joseph Migna - SYRA**

**E. Treasurer’s Report**

- a. Current Financial –

- b. Budget 2011-2012 – Just to review briefly, regarding next years budget when comparing the current year to next year we did reduce revenue by approximately \$167, 00 some of that is due to we reduced advertising income for the Touchline and from changes we don't collect any more like, reprints, COS charges due to our SIC card system. Some expenses have also increased or decreased throughout the year. We increased credit cards fee because more and more people are using them online through Got Soccer. We have some reduction in office cost because in this year it was budgeted due to our move to the new building so obviously we don't need to be moving next year since we are already there. Some of our repairs and maintenance we have gone ahead and increased since we do own the building, it doesn't stay on warranty forever so as minor things need repairs we are going to have to start paying those out of pocket, while before we used to lease as to before we didn't have to necessarily. Utilizes did go up, unfortunately, we estimated a little bit lower then we thought so that is a full years worth plus the budget was only nine months in the current year. Again we reduced cost for Touchline because we are reducing the number that is in circulation due to the high cost. Basically for next year we do have a cushion of just over \$80,000, we are hopeful that this will happen, but since we have not been in the new building more than about six month there may be some cost that we may not have foreseen. We will see what happens.

\_\_\_\_\_ had a question in regards to Page 5 item #217, there was a budget last year \$10,000 for Referee Academy, this year it is zero. I would like to see if we could budget. That has not been used in three years and the funds were shifted under President's Club, had a miss description under President's Club. So until we start seeing something, there is no point budgeting for it because nothing has ever happened. We had a lot of talks and for some reason we have never gotten any of the money that's been budget. Because we have not gotten a bill that I have asked for three years and if I don't get it to me you're not going to get paid. I am not going to write a blank check for \$10,000 and I have said that for three years and you still haven't done it. We are putting the money elsewhere because President's Club can use it. The only thing I ask you is to budget one more year and let's see we will try to do better job in this. It's been in the budget for five or six years that I can remember. I'll tell you what we are going to play it by year and once you start showing me something, then maybe we could work on it then. Till you start submitting something, I am not going to put on the budget because obviously it can be used elsewhere, because I've asked and asked, talked and talked and I am tired of talking. Even if it is not in the budget, if you feel that it is something that we can reimburse you for it bring it up to us and we will look at it. It is not reimbursement for me it's just that this money is still there for Referee Academy. In other words, we support some of the stuff the Academy does but if you don't bring us anything and say here this is where we need the money and this is where we used the money, how are we going to give it to you. We are not going to give it to you for an idea, you have to submit expenses that you have paid and I have said that for three years also. I mean it has been sitting there for awhile. Promise this year we will do better.

This is the budget that will go the General Assembly for recommendation for approval, Sunday.

- c. Expense Reports – Even the BOD, if you do have expenses for us just reminding you again, that you have 90 day to turn in your expenses, get them in as soon as you can. Per our rules, we are not required; we don't have to approve payment if you turn them in past 90 days. So, it's just a reminder. A lot of it is done electronically so it shouldn't be that difficult.
- d. Clubs Not in Standing – Proposing Clubs to be put Not in Good Standing. These are all recommendations should they pay tonight or tomorrow when they come to pick up their credentials. The only forms of payment accepted at the AGM are credit card, money orders, cashiers check, cash or wire.
- i. Region A –

1. A1 – Homestead
  2. A2IVE –
  3. A2 – Miami Lakes – Sent us a check that bounced, just found out this morning. They swear they will get it to us today, so Carmen will be checking the bank tonight, if it comes in they will be getting their packet tomorrow, otherwise they will be recommended for NGS.
  4. A2 – Miami Starts – Has not paid one penny all year long. They have been doing this for the last two or three years waiting for the last minutes, they spend all year without paying.
- ii. **Region B** –
1. B1CFK –
  2. BILCS –
  3. B2 – Deltona – They do have a payment plan, the problem is they are only paying on a payment plan that was agreed upon months ago, they have made no payment to anything that they have submitted since then. Therefore, they should be put on NGS.
- iii. **Region C** – Region C DC requested that he be put on the correspondence list when any of his clubs are in rears or in Bad Standing so that he will be able to contact them and make sure they make the payment. Carmen sends it to the VPs. Marino is going to put it the VPs that once they get to send it out.
1. C1FSC –
  2. C1RYS – We have been digging hard through the grapevines and RYS have been going to tournaments and have spent all other kinds of money but won't pay their bill.
  3. C6CPU – This amount also includes a fine from a tournament and they have made no payment whatsoever. CPU goes on line they don't see the fine all they see is \$593 so unfortunately they don't see the fine. It is not like the old system where the invoice was sent to the Treasurer. Every time every member of the Club logs in they can see what is owed so it is very, very, very obvious to the Club. When looking at CPU, thinking out loud, if we would have put the fine in there it would have shown up. Were they invoiced for the fine, not through Got Soccer. If they had been invoiced in Got Soccer maybe we would have known. Check with Carmen to see where that invoice, if they ever got invoiced. Don't see an invoice in Got Soccer. They haven't even gotten any points for it. They got a letter; they should have gotten a letter that should have sufficed, that would have been through Tournament/Travel. But it should still be in Got Soccer. Since its only \$593, going to take them off for now because obviously we have to clarify. But the tournament was in September, this fine was the fine we discussed in that January meeting, it was that old. Ok, so they can be Not in Good Standing even though they owe \$593 plus \$2,500 even though they received a letter but they haven't been officially invoiced. Will work with Carmen to make sure that she adds that in there, she may not have even been copied. The DC will contact Club after the meeting and make sure that they have the information and make them aware that they are in the rears of paying,
- iv. **Region D** –
1. JSA – Which you kind of know the background on that one so we will be dealing with that.

**Motion made by Lois that you all accept the Clubs that I have called off to be put in Not in Good Standing with the notation that should they make payment tonight or tomorrow.  
Second by Pilar  
Motion Passed**

**Note: Team Boca just tied 2 – 2 but they do not advance to the National Championship Game that was 18 girls that were in National.**

**17 Boys lost the first game, won the second game and they are playing later tonight, we'll see hopefully they'll advance – Florida Rush.**

#### **F. Committee Reports**

- a. Vice President of Player/Coaching Development – Not much in way of a report, I did want to recognize, not everybody may be aware Mike Gant in March/April timeframe was deployed overseas with the military and I was asked by Marino to complete the remained of his term, so since March I have been standing in for Mike and I would like to on the record recognize his efforts over the year and a half that he was in this position. It's been an interesting five or six months, it's been really quick but he did a great job. I do want to also, as many of you know Dean Frost past away recently and he was a major driver in the TOPS program. I did not, unfortunately, have the opportunity to meet him I traded emails with him one time shortly after I stepped into Mike's role. I know he will be solely missed and there are others that will carry on the torch but from everything I understand Dean was a real champion of soccer for the right reasons and to make sure that everybody gets to play the game not just those that are gifted athletes. Marino, on that note of Dean Frost, the TOPSOCCER Club of the year award has been named the Dean Frost TOPSOCCER Club of the Year Award and Vic Nocera has been nominated to be the Chair of that Committee for now, he worked hand in hand with Dean. Until now at the AGM he will be appointed again.
- b. Vice President of Administration & Communication
  - i. Challenge to Affiliation – Will not be heard – People that filed it pulled it back.
  - ii. Request for Removal from Probation – NONE
  - iii. Affiliations – New Applications – Three application for full affiliations
    1. Region D – Porito Bay Futbol Club – As the outgoing District Commissioner for D1, I will tell you I've been working on this affiliation when I first started as DC, that was one of the first clubs I went to. With the fifteen mile rule frankly there is very few areas in all of the state of Florida that are outside the fifteen mile rule and this Club happens to be literally one mile inside the Alabama/Florida state line as you come in on the beach. Is it an Alabama club? No, it is not an Alabama club, they do have players from Alabama so we take what we ca get. They're a good organization the President and those that have kind of forged a new way out in Porito have done a great job and I think they will be a great asset to our organization. Is the package complete? Yes Do we have an answer from every Club within a fifteen mile radius? There are no clubs within fifteen miles. What is the recommendation? Do I have a recommendation from the Region regarding this Club?  
**Susan Rimsa recommends that we accept them as a new affiliate. Second by Chester Motion Passes** Will get with Linda to get code
    2. Region B – AFC Florida Soccer Club – Is the package complete? We received everything – Do we have an answer from every Club within fifteen miles, did it go out, and the Clubs answer? I don't know – then based on our rules we cannot approve or disapprove based on that. If you can get with the other clubs, on Sunday we can revisit again right now we can't. Move that we table this one until Sunday to give that District Commissioner time to talk to the clubs within the area.
    3. Region B – Williston Soccer Club – There is no club within fifteen miles and the package is complete. Besides Rhonda is there anyone in the Region that would like to comment on this. The conflict of interest with Rhonda is that she is listed as a signer.  
\_\_\_\_\_ **recommends affiliation to Williston Soccer Club as a new affiliate.**  
**Second by \_\_\_\_\_ Motion Passes**

iv. Affiliations – Applications – Three application for Associate affiliates

- I. Region A – US Soccer Five, LLC – The package is complete based on the associate affiliate. Is there recommendation from the Region? Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ recommends this is a very good thing; this will help the parks down there which are struggling for money. They are partner with the Miami-Dade County Parks & Recreational Summit and are going to help fund the programs for the kids that they need money for. \_\_\_\_\_ recommends Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion - What type of affiliation is this? Associate to do tournaments only. Yes, actually it's one tournament that they are talking about. No, he does want to actually the festival he is having this weekend this will have Abby Walsh for the kids to meet and take picture with, he is going to do it every quarter, something like that. Be careful how you word this because of the grievance. That is not a league it's a tournament. Associate affiliate can run leagues unless you condition it a tournament only, you'll have a problem with the grievance here. Is it listed as tournament? It specifies on top of the application that they are applying tournaments. Based on current rule there is nothing restricting them as an Associate affiliate unless you condition the approval on tournaments only, then you can argue with them later if they come back. Then the motion has to be for tournaments only. Want to mend your motion please? \_\_\_\_\_ amending the present motion pending its return on the conditions. \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded Motion Was asked, will this impact any current tournaments that are going on in that area because that's the affiliate's whole tournaments is fundraiser? And if this is an affiliate associate does that mean they can hold tournaments all over the state. Has a problem with Associate affiliates because I think they are taking money away from the affiliates. The only difference with this one is that they are in partnership with the Miami-Dade Parks & Recreation. Well then are you going to put a restriction that they can only hold tournaments there? I do not the county rules but I know they are partnered with the Miami Park and part of the funding is going to go to the county parks for the youth programs. It looks like they have their own fields that they are using. The fields are in Kendall State Soccer Park which is a big county facility that is why they are partnered with them. If we are going to start limiting, we have to make sure that this club is limited to that area. In this case, if you look at their website, every team that club registers that club is getting \$35 back per team to go straight to their club, so it is benefiting them. So even though somebody else is holding it they are getting money back. It is not listed who is the referee assignor or anything and that a problem because how are they going to check when the players are registered. This is just so that they can apply to put in tournaments in the state. When they put in their application for each individual tournament that's when they list the referee assignor and all that. The problem we are facing that clubs in the area they are using the tournaments to profit and we are giving the opportunity to somebody to come over that we make are going to make money and we deny the clubs to make some. We are not denying the opportunity to anybody any club in the area can apply for a tournament. They are not contributing anything back, but this one is we just finished saying that this one give money back to the clubs. For every club that registers for every team that registers from that club the give them back getting \$35 per team and then the other proceed go to the parks and the county to improve the facilities in the parks, its going to benefit them anyway. Go to the website Soccer 5 Foundation and you will see what they do with the kids and the money. So it is not just a tournament company. We also have some other tournaments that are applying too but if we are using the same thing, but we can only

go one at a time when we get to the other ones if there are any restriction we can put that, but we need to talk about one at time. We can't do it as a doable thing. What is going to prevent them from changing that viable rule after they get affiliated? That is why we made it in the motion restricted to if they get accepted it based on the guidelines that we voted today. The only risk you run and I think it's a risk you need to take by conditioning the affiliation is really you have no authority to condition that affiliation unless the party accepts the conditions, right, so be very careful how you word the acceptance letter to them. If you guys decide on accepting them it will be based on them accepting the restrictions that we put on them. If they don't accept the restriction then we won't affiliate them. What this does it lets their organization be approved as an associate affiliate so that they may have FYSA sanctioning, so that our players can play in the tournaments.

Motion on the floor is to approve this with the condition that it be restricted to tournaments in Miami-Dade County – whatever it is they put on this here.

**Motion Passed**

2. Region A – Brazilian Soccer Training Center – Is the package complete – Yes. Any recommendations from the Region. They are a full affiliate. It is basically the full affiliate with the same name and everything. They are asking to run their own league. They don't need approval for that. Exactly, there has to be something happening after that. \_\_\_\_\_ recommends not to accept the application on the basis that it is not good for the soccer community. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Discussion – Why isn't it any good for the soccer region. As Marino stated before it's an affiliate basically applying for to run a tournament or league that presently I believe there are leagues running at the present time. There is actually like three leagues in that same area right now. If you read the packet, he talks in here about team formation and everything else. If you're an associate you don't form teams because you don't register players, you can't dictate when people have practices, there is no player responsibilities, no parent responsibility, so what is in here is for a full affiliate, which they already are. So it doesn't really make sense, it doesn't say what they really want to do.

**Motion Passed**

3. Elite Tournaments, LLC – From Maryland  
Chester Motion to Deny - \_\_\_\_\_ Second Motion  
Just want to comment because this is a group that runs soccer tournaments in multiple states across the country. They were a vendor at USU Soccer and we actually at Lake Myrtle have been working with this group to hold soccer events. Are they for profit? They are a limited liability, I am sure they are. I am not restrictive by that in any certain way. Obviously our goal at The Facility Staff Events is to bring people in. That's a different issue. Just want to let it be known that this is a group that my real professional organization has been talking to about holding events in our community and I will say this that there is not a club in our community that holds a tournament so it wouldn't be infringing on any clubs to fundraise. The only tournaments we are actively hosting are FYSA events and actually we are hosting some of the Disney events. There is nothing to suggest that after a partner agreement has been made there that they won't go anywhere in the state to run tournaments. Speaker is not going to with you and he doesn't see that as being an issue. Don't they have to be a Florida corporation for us to affiliate them? That is not in our rules; we have just made that assumption. Those we were looking at were already incorporated in the State of Florida and were changing group ownership or name that is a separate issue. Now

you have a group that now want to come into the State of Florida to run tournament(s), like Linda said once you approve them they can go anywhere they want to. Question that need to be answered before approving, (1) In the other states they are operating in are they using USYS approved through those state association or are they jumping to US Club or how are they approving their tournaments in the other states? Even though we may deny them here does mean they won't be here. Supposing you agreed to somebody wants to come to the State of Florida and take the money out of Florida that would be bad. They should partner with one of our local affiliates; we have 250 of them they should find someone to be able to partner with to run their tournaments for the benefit of everybody. The flip side is if you don't approve them in a specific location if they go through US Club then we have actually no control over anything they do. It's a hard question. Chester withdrew his motion. Becky is going table, do some research and revisit at Sunday's meeting. After Sunday if we can pass 101.9 we can have more flexibility in dealing with organizations. Right now we don't once they are approved there is nothing you can do about it. Speaker, they have been working with them if its denied or approved they'll find a way to work with them through a Club. Letting us know so that later we won't be surprised if we saw them at Lake Myrtle. He is going to try to make contact and get more information to bring to Sunday's meeting.

4. Miami-Dade Soccer League – At the January when we denied the affiliation for the Miami-Dade Soccer League, the filed a grievance with USSF. Tommy, Becky and Linda Soeder, DC from A1, represented FYSA at the grievance hearing along with our attorney. Marino was available by telephone because he was in Iowa with our team that went to National Presidents Club. After sitting through very lengthy testimony from the other side, when we went on break for lunch, the legal counsel from USSF, so that it didn't have to go to the Arbitrator), came to us and asked us if we could come to an agreement. We did, between Tommy Marino and Beck, agreed to present to the Board to get approval for restricted of what there operation can be. They are restricted from U6 – U12, they will only operate their league from March – October and if we ever approve another league in Region A1 or A2 then those restriction will be lifted unless the other league was approved with restrictions well. Back in January the recommendation from the Region was to deny because the paperwork that they submitted was not what they had presented to the other clubs or leagues. Originally they said they were only going to have little kids, like a pre-season, until our season came around but when they presented the paperwork it was for a full affiliation, all ages all the time, so the recommendation was to deny. When they filed the hearing, the legal counsel from the Federation didn't want to make a ruling, it they would have ruled in favor of them it would have changed the way affiliation are done in the whole Unites States, not just us. If the would have rule against them, the Federation didn't want to be put in that spot, so that is why they recommended to see if there was anyway we could work with them. From the people that denied the affiliation originally to make a recommendation, we sat down and had a conference call and that is what we decided. We have a signed contract that has the specific things we talked about between. The other Clubs or League will monitor and any violation will be an automatic revocation. The other Clubs have no objections for 6 – 12 age group March through October. We did not approve, we said we would bring it to the Board and recommend approval. **Tommy motioned to approve Miami-Dade Soccer based on the restriction contained in the agreement, Becky Second the Motion. Motion Passed**

5. Florida Alliance Soccer League – Tabled until Sunday’s meeting. The representative was not present and there was missing paperwork as to the specifics of the affiliation. Becky is going to try to make contact with them for Sunday’s meeting. There was opposition and questions that could not be answered. This is similar to the Miami-Dade Soccer League. Need to find out if they will agree with restriction.
- iv. Affiliations – Name Changes – **PASSED. Motion by Marino Torrens that all name changes be accepted with the condition that they file a DBA or AKA with the State of Florida within 30 days. Seconded. PASSED.**
1. Region A – Jupiter Sting – (Name change to Jupiter United Soccer)
  2. Region B – Island FC – (Name change to Jacksonville United FC)
  3. Region C – Nature Coast Soccer League – (Name change to Nature Coast Soccer Club)
  4. Region D – Emerald Coasted United Soccer Club – (Name change to FC Dallas Emerald Coast)
- c. Vice President of Competition – NONE – Not at meeting due to death in the family
- d. Registrar – Has been to most of the Regions around January and February. One main change this year in Got Soccer is that the Club will be using one statewide registration event; they will not create their own. Many memos have gone out regarding this that has been shown around the State. By doing that we will be able to track transfers and a lot of other issue will be resolved. That one registration event is at the State level where we can see rosters, last year we couldn’t see rosters we had to go into each individual club registration event. One club had 82 registration events and it was quite a challenge because we couldn’t find rosters. This way we will be able to find rosters. Even though there are screenshots out there some people are still having a hard time understanding that you don’t create a registration event you use the one we have created and that is it. There are a lot of more minor changes and as Got Soccer lets me know emails will be created and posted, provided we have your correct email addresses at the BOD, otherwise you get it. Got Soccer is working on an event roster and it is not ready. It allows unregistered players to be placed on a roster or unregistered un-rostered, so until a lot of things are fixed doesn’t want to show it to anybody. If anyone asks about the Got Soccer Event Roster, as soon as it is ready their will be a memo. It is being brought up because someone is talking about it; there is a support ticket on this issue.
- e. Regional Reports/Issue
- i. Region A – This year had a record number of teams in Regional Cup. Had very good showing in State Cup and Presidents Cup, as Marino stated we have the one team from Boca that is out now but unfortunately didn’t make it. This team now right before their season or in mid-season, one of the girls on this team was in a car accident and she passed away. So this team going into State Cup going into everything even winning State Cup and Regional they did it for her. It was very emotional.
  - ii. Region B – Three new DC’s. Suzy Reno has retired after 24 years as a District Commissioner. Lorie Troutman new DC in B1, Tommy Slater new DC in B4, he replaced Scott Hutchinson who resigned to became new DRA in B4 and Mark Chapman has been replaced Steven Sassman in B5. Welcome
  - iii. Region C – Had very good showing in Regency Cup and State Cup. New DC for C4, Mark ?? is stepping down, ??? new DC. Welcome
  - iv. Region D – Had Region Cup and it was successful, Emerald Coast did a great job hosting it, fields were in good shape, everything went real well so they had a good time. State Cup portion in Tallahassee went pretty good. Host two in Pensacola as well, everything went well.

Had 16 boys which was a challenge. One in Tallahassee with under 14 girls, it was a good day and everything was going well until they a girl break her leg, sent to hospital and had surgery.

**G. State Office Report –**

- a. Office Updates – Dale introduced and spoke about himself. He started coaching his own kids in soccer, became President of the Club in Southern Louisiana. Club started out with 270 kids and Club has about 3,500. Went on from there to the BOD for State of Louisiana as Treasurer for 6 – 8 years. Was in the New Orleans area for 30 years. After Katrina decided to leave Louisiana and took the position of Executive Director in Tennessee for five years and now he is here. Excited to work with the office staff, only been in position since July 5<sup>th</sup>, they have not had anyone in this position for several months, so they are getting back in the routine in an office atmosphere. Trying to build a culture there that is positive, teamwork, and understand what everybody's position is and feeling comfortable again that we are all going in the same direction. Servicing our members, we are customer service that is why we are there for. The Board Members, Affiliates, and our Players are our customers and that is number one. Together we are moving forward as a team, like what he see, has a good group of young people, has Carmen who will give you everything she can and who is a really good resource for him. If you have any questions or see him this weekend you can feel free to talk to him. Happy to be here, thank you.

**H. Director of Coaching Report –**

- a. Calendar – Wants to go over the calendar, particularly because this is the time a lot of you will finalize your Region Cup dates and those sorts of things. If you could sent your calendars to him so that he can update the calendar that would be helpful, so as your Region finalizes your Region Cup dates please send to him. He has trial sites for everywhere but Region A, for October 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, if you have any ideas and your group doesn't, let him know and he will add those for you himself. Then there is the spring trial dates, other than that the calendar is pretty set just need to get the Region's dates. Marino challenges all those that still need to add dates for Region Cup to do so before the September meeting, make sure we have it full by the September meeting. Then by January wants to have the next 12/13 so at the January meeting it can be approved and put up. This calendar is not complete and is not fully put on the website only for the Region Cup. So please want to have the next year approved in the January meeting so that it can be put up a year in advance.

- I. Referee Liaison Report –** We invited 16 referees for Presidents Cup and State Cup, 14 going to the Regional competition, another 11 went to ODP in Alabama. For Mr. Burke, want to remind him that the checks for the referees in the State Cup didn't come out until this past week. I know there are a lot of problems in there and probably Marino knows because he probably got a lot of emails. Let's see if next year we can do a better job since without referees we cannot do anything. The selection for the male and female Referee of the Year was done and will be announced tomorrow. Want to remind all our associates that it is our responsibility as a club to help to get new referees. We are in the need of new referees. FSR is responsible to instruct and register them but it is our responsibility to get new referees into the systems and turn them over to FSR to instruct and register them. This is the one reason why there are referee assignors in every club, that is their job and they need to look for new referees. Jozsef will talk about how the referee courses. So we as an association need to get into it and go out and get new referees. Right now we don't know if we are going to be short referees yet because the re-registration starts right now. Last week went to a state referee academy clinic that provides training for the maximum level of referee. He is asking for the support of the academy because they are doing a superb job on the work for State Cup and Presidents Club.

- J. SRA/SYRA Report –** Had three referees that were selected to go to the National Finals, we are happy about that. We had two referees that represented us in State as well as National Presidents Club, we are happy about that. Happy to work with Mike with the ODP in June and hope that to continue working with that and supporting it and hopefully it will help us in training the younger referees that might need a little more hands

on training. The information about online training help with dropped down the 18 hours to 10 hours in class. This is the third year offering it, and the fact of the matter is very proud to say that US Soccer saw our online training and they decided to go in partnership with Florida on that. You can tell we have done something beyond what the Federation could do, so we are pretty pleased about that. The other thing is that the recert was increased the instruction by an hour and a half. We basically wanted to do was to give an hour and a half of instruction to the referees because we found that there were some weaknesses out there and some of the thing they want to talk to the referees about is the off side wait and see opportunity. What happens when they wait to long raising the flag, referee acknowledges it, sometimes there is coalitions with goal keeper, so that is one thing they want to emphasize. The other thing is about injury, reminding them about the Florida policy about anyone that is injured has to leave, what is the procedure, how to handle injuries, and so forth. Positioning, game vial, pre-game what to make sure they understand, discuss and of course the big one is game management that is something they are going to touch on and remind them of certain things that need to be done. The hand out has some ideas to understand where we are, on page 2 this is what offer for our registered officials or non-registered to become new referees. If you look at the difference between 2011 and 2010, last year we hosted 101 entry level classes and this year we only hosted 90, this is where we need to work together. Last year we offered 162 research and this year we offered 172 so this year we increased the research, we tried to increase the number to try to get more people but unfortunately if you look at the number we lost quite a bit. On the next page, comparison in years it's interesting that when we started the background checks everybody was saying that the referees were going to lose, but we actually increased the registration that year. If you look at the year as we go we were climbing at a point then we kind of went off. Then we restarted the online screening you notice that we picked up a lot more people, in that respect you know that it is working. Also the US Soccer fee entries, everybody was complaining about that but we didn't do to bad, we did pretty well. We can see that the registration and the statistics seem to be an issue. On the last page is my suggestion as to how we can help watch other out, marketing is all about getting the information out. If we don't get that information out to the people they will never know we exist. So with the opportunities and the technology that is there with FYSA having access to emails, players, coaches and parents it would be a great opportunity as a tool for marketing. Of course, the other one would be to increase your enrollment by getting your siders to also be part of this because they are the one that are going to be utilizing and need referees. Discussion consisted of various ways to make it possible to get the information out there. Monthly emails with course information, dates, locations, and times sent to the Regions. FYSA has the ability to get this information out via email, to the referees as well as the Clubs, once they have the information. Some of the issue encountered was the fee that needed to be paid up front. The fee was required to assure that people would show up, not just one person that was not efficient. Jozsef will ask every DRA to host one course without the fee and he will give FYSA a report as to what was the attendance. The biggest problem is to find new referees not just referees that are being asked to reregister.

- K. Standing Committee Reports** – Tommy and ?? will have their workshop on Saturday tomorrow. The rules will be present tomorrow. Please go around and talk to your clubs about the 101.9 Rule. If you have any questions please ask, doubts or don't know what it is ask, there are a lot of rumors out there. We really need 101.9 Rule passed this year.
- L. Unfinished Business** – An Associated Affiliation was received yesterday, it is not going to be presented because it needed to be in the office 30 days prior to the meeting. It will be presented in January, hand out are available for review.
- M. New Business** - None
- N. For the Good of the Game** – As you all know, last year the FSA, adults, started doing their AGM here at the same time, the President, Arthur Mason, has invited all of us to his suite tonight from 7 to 9 PM. Let you

Board of Directors know. Also, they are our new tenants at the Office; they rented it out in the corner on the first floor. They will be there together with us for like five years.

**O. Next BOD Meeting** – Sunday, July 29, 2011 at Disney’s Coronado Springs Resort – Lake Buena Vista

**P. Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at ?? P.M.