

FYSA Board Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday December 15, 2020

Virtual Meeting on Zoom, broadcast live on Facebook.

Meeting called to order at 6:33pm

Board Members Present at the meeting: President Kai Velmer, VP Admin Michael Flood, VP Player Dev Daragh Cullen, VP Comp Greg Zak, Registrar Alice Smith, A North Comm Russell Walker, A South Olaf Henke, VP B Mike Goodman, B North Comm Mike Sroka, VP C Mike Connell, C North Comm John Withkowski, C South Comm Ed Kinsey, D East Comm Terry Straub

Guests present: FYSA XO Joel Dragan, Past Pres John Stacey, Top Soccer Mark Lowenberg, EDP Don Rawson, EDP Warren Mersereau, EDP Simon Collins, EDP Al Schilling

Roll call taken by Michael Flood, acting secretary for the meeting.

Motion to Adopt Agenda by John Withkowski, 2nd by Mike Connell – adopted unanimously

No minutes from prior meeting.

New Business

EDP Presentation

President Kai Velmer invited EDP to speak to the board

Simon Collins made the main presentation

Information about EDP – USYS Affiliate and soccer management company

- Manage regional and national leagues
- League, tournament, showcase management

Provide help to increase membership of FYSA

Ability to compete with US Club

Turn Key solution – re-imagine competitive structure, provide and sustain growth

VP Greg Zak had lots of questions, but felt they were too many to ask here

B North Mike Sroka asked about US Club competition

A South Olaf Henke asked about overview and cost

Further discussion planned for next month meeting

VP Player Development Report - Daragh Cullen

ODP weekend and progress report

Tournament Committee report

VP Competition Report - Greg Zak – nothing to report

VP Admin Michael - Flood Report

Bylaws and Rules committee progress report
Risk Management appeal trial discussion

Registrar Report - Alice Smith

Coming changes to GotSoccer and registration process discussed

Regional VP Reports

Competition issues discussed
Covid-19 problems discussed
Completion of the Fall Rec season and continuation of competitive soccer

Top Soccer Report - Mark Lowenberg

Discussed Top Soccer growth and new club potential
Discussed challenges for Top Soccer during Covid pandemic
Mentioned Daragh Cullin's Christmas shirt

FYSA Rules 801.3 and 802.4 Discussion – Joel Dragan

These two rules regarding insurance renewal dates are incorrect
The date are outside FYSA's control
Recommended that they be stricken from the rules
Motion by Olaf Henke, 2nd by Daragh Cullen – rules stricken unanimously

Technical Areas on field discussion – Mike Goodman

Discussion about marking boxes within which coaches must stay during games
These areas are required by FIFA rules
This helps to control coaches and minimize problems
Discussion about enforcement problems and application
Motion to require technical area by Michael Flood
Motion modified to be more specific by Ed Kinsey – 2nd new motion by Flood
Motion passed unanimously, with Olad Henke and Daragh Cullen abstaining

New Business

Referee Registration Problems – Ed Kinsey discussed problems in registering referees

Joel Dragan commented further on this issue
Some of the problems relate to Florida state law

Good of the Game

Olaf Henke asked about meeting agendas

Ed Kinsey asked for more emails from FYSA

President Kai Velmer made a statement about the difficulty of this year with Covid

Kai thanked Joel Dragan for his hard work

and mentioned the many positives coming out of FYSA now

Merry Christmas wishes all around by everyone.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:20 by Ed Kinsey, John Withkowski 2nd – passed unanimously.