

# UTAH YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

## Board of Directors Meeting

TOSH Auditorium

September 15, 2011

8:00 p.m.

- **Call to Order**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Utah Youth Soccer Association was called to order by Cindy Baron at 8:07pm in the TOSH Auditorium in Murray, UT. The following Board Members were present during the meeting:

- **Roll Call**

- Cindy Baron—President  
John Gygi – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Brian Smith – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Drew Hiatt – Executive Director  
Allan Haycock – Region 1 Director  
Dave Mills – Region 2 Director  
Loren Mott – Region 3 Director  
Von Mordecai – Region 5 Director
- Absent: Trish Roberts (Region 4 Director)  
Kyle Pasley (Region 6 Director)
- Also Present: Bruce Cuppett, Rick Flores, Bryan Attridge, Morgan Gilliam, Jodene Smith, Norm Williamson

### Acceptance of Minutes

- Bruce motions to accept minutes. Brian seconds motion. Minutes accepted.

### Announcements / Calendar

- Youth Soccer Month Events- Events coming up this month: Sept 22 @ SUU; Sept 23 @ Dixie; Sept 24 @ UVU; Sept 30 @ UofU
- New Staff Introductions- Morgan Gilliam is our new Events Management Director in the State Office.

### Unfinished Business

### New Business

- Policy updates
  - **Section 6 -Regional Academy League / Developmental Pass**—Competition committee going to post on Google Cloud to have electronic discussion. Allowing developmental pass in X-league, if it is going to be allowed it needs to be written in our bylaws. Competition Committee needs a majority approved document sent to Board of Directors by September 22<sup>nd</sup> for approval. Allan suggests writing it into the bylaws/policies whether or not players can D-Pass between play types. Tracy states Competition Committee has been in discussion about this. Bruce would like to sit with Competition Committee and Board as UYSA begins to implement the Club Pass

and see how to work it in. Board would like to have Club Pass implemented for Spring, need to see how to make it work so independent teams are not left out. (Club Pass= Member Organization Pass). Board would like document from Competition Committee with Club Pass worked in by November.

- **State Cup – NCS Club Pass Updates / State Cup Transfers**—Bruce needs more volunteers for State Cup, we are slowly started to build up volunteer base but we need more. Important dates: [Click here for important dates](#). Oct 24 the rosters unlock until 14 days prior to start of Regionals. When teams pull a player to their team with a Club Pass, that player has to have been a member of the Club before State Cup starts. Rosters unlock again after regionals and relock 7 days prior to Nationals. Allows teams to build up teams and make sure they have full rosters going into the tournaments. UYSA will be using a DOC Pass, each DOC will have a pass so they do not have to be rostered onto every team. The DOC Pass will be only for State Cup. Bruce and State Cup Committee will be getting out maps for the Lakeside Complex because of construction in the area. We have 100 teams in State Cup this year. U11 and U12 can play in both State Cup and Presidents Cup; U13 and above can only play in one or the other. There will no longer be State Cup only transfers, there will only be Club Passes or extenuating circumstances transfers. Transfers have been going through Region Chairs if outside the transfer window. Board would like transfer policy amended to have it go through the Member Organization presidents first and then to Region Chair. John states he will start putting examples in of extenuating circumstances. Tracy states the Competition Committee is working on getting a document put together for that. Jodene expresses concern about getting the transfer button off for parents to use. Bryan states that affinity has it on their list of things to do. Jodene motions to insert Region Chair into process of appeals and transfers. Brian seconds motion. Vaughn suggests adding signatures for every person involved in the process and specifically outline the procedure. Cindy states the procedure for transfers needs to be written out by Competition Committee and John before transfer window. Jodene volunteers to write policies in and outside transfer windows and get them to competition committee. Motion voted on. Motion passed.
- **Committee Meetings**—Cindy states that committees have to meet regularly and have to be functioning. Committees need to be holding meetings, taking minutes, and acting upon things in a timely manner. Minutes should be submitted to the Board.
- **Board Member Attendance**—Cindy suggests adding verbiage to state that Board Members should properly be fulfilling their responsibilities. It has been suggested to remove Region Director 4. Brian motions for the removal of Region 4 Director with 15 days notice. John Gygi seconds motion. Motion voted on and approved. Cindy expresses gratitude for Region Directors in attendance and encourages continual attendance.
- **Registration Policies**—Bryan and Jodene have created a new Registration Policies Document. Jodene asks for clarification on the multiple rostering policy. Tracy explains that because the player has to be in two different age groups, they can multi-roster to any flight. Needs to be written in policies (section 3) that whatever age group a player is rostered in is their primary age group and they cannot play down from their primary age group. Jodene and Bryan will write document to include this policy. Bryan states a lot of the old registration policy is no longer applicable. The new one will include sections on how to register and the definition and roles of a registrar. Brian asks about removal of volunteer registration, are we ok with not having background checks? Bryan answers, wording has just been moved to another section and are going to add Board Members, registrars and eventually referees. Cindy states if the registration deadline says July 15<sup>th</sup>, that is the

registration deadline for everyone. Jodene would like to add Team Registration deadlines to section 3 in addition to section 6. Deadlines need to be written to include all programs: State Competition, X-League, and Recreation. Jodene suggests having 15 days before start of play be the deadline for Recreation teams. Jodene and Bryan ask about making pictures mandatory at registration for State Gaming League and getting examples/standards for the pictures. Bryan asks about when a player is actually “registered”. Cindy states, national rules say once the form is submitted they are registered. Players are not locked in if they accidentally registered to the wrong play type but they cannot switch from one team to another within the same play type. Once a player hits submit, they are assigned to that team and if they want to move they have to follow proper procedures. Bryan brings up that there are some players in the system that are registered to the coaches instead of the parents, however the documents need to be signed by the parents.

- New Member Organizations- These teams would like to be approved. Cindy suggests approving these organizations upon approval of their bylaws. Allan suggests having bylaws go to Region Director for approval. Loren will review Blue Knights and Allan will review BE United and South Cache. Drew states that Rangers have been in contact and are in the process of submitting bylaws. Vaughn suggests sitting on it until everything is submitted. Allan motions to accept 3 Member Organizations pending approval of bylaws. Loren seconds motion. Motion voted and passed.

BE United  
South Cache Soccer Club  
Blue Knights  
Others?

## Reports

- Morgan—Nothing to report
- Bryan—nothing to report
- Jodene—nothing to report
- Bruce—He would like to see all Region Chairs show up at State Cup and support the teams. Morgan is making a schedule and a sign-up sheet for volunteers. Cindy encourages Board of Directors to get in touch with Morgan to see what day they would like to be there. Bruce expresses concern about getting volunteers out especially if we are putting a bid in for FWR. Morgan suggests making it required for every team to have volunteers
- Vaughn—Expresses concern about recent updates to U9 referee pay. Shyre and Tracy have both had similar complaints. Brian suggests letting it go as it was until teams can implement it and get it in their budget cycle. Cindy suggests having 3 refs recommended for U9 games but have it be what the assignors can get. Vaughn states he has had many complaints about regional play in x-league.
- Loren—Reports same issue about X-League alignment. Also, he had a complaint that a player had two red cards in a row and had to sit out two games.
- Allan—NUU is having their AGM on Monday. South Cache has tried to align with US Soccer on younger age groups, Rick is going to come out and work with them and the parents.
- Brian—Nothing to report
- Norm—Is going to keep a log of referee reports that he receives; somehow would like all reports to go to a central mailbox. Who will maintain SRC Referees in system? Bryan suggests having a list of currently certified referees given to Holly.
- Cindy—Letters have been put together to have players/coaches/parents suspended from all US supported events if they are abusing/assaulting the referees. UYSA needs to crack down on this type of behavior because it is not acceptable. Brian suggests having credentials made for Board Members and Committee Chairs.

- Rick—Nothing to report. Likes the point made about Committee meetings.
- Dave—Thanked Rick for calling a coach in his area and for his help. Asks where the R for red card is located on the rosters. Suggest requiring color copies. Cindy says moving forward they may start requiring color copies. Make sure team admins know to have two original copies. Have had coaches having trouble with putting numbers in. Club Pass at their last meeting was a major topic and they are interested in seeing it coming out. Had an email from a coach saying the other coach didn't have a copy of the roster but referee still let the game be played. State office is working on having the roster available for printing throughout game, and will send policy to SRC and Referee assignors. No more than a 15 minute grace period to have rosters.
- Drew
  - o UYSA is working on putting in bids to host Far West Regionals 2014 and Regionals Presidents Cup 2013. We are working with the city, county, and Sports Collisions to get these bids put together. The bids are due October 2011.
  - o 2011 "Of the Year" Awards have been submitted to the Region IV office for consideration.
  - o UYSA is still looking for volunteers for State Cup. Please encourage members to get involved. Morgan will be in charge of organizing volunteers and he will be sending out more information.
  - o The UYSA Concussion Policy has been updated and can be found online under Resource->Risk Management->Concussion Awareness and Safety. If there are any questions please contact TOSH.
  - o UYSA is currently working with current and potential sponsors to provide better benefits to our members. We have been in contact and are in discussions with Crunch Nuts, Jerry Seigner Chevrolet, Westminster College, and others.
  - o Staff developments and updates: Everyone is in place in the office and we have hired an intern as well; we plan to have 1-2 student interns in the office every semester.
- John—Nothing to report

### **Good of the Game**

### **Adjournment**

Norm motions to adjourn. Allan seconds motion. Meeting adjourned at 11:01 PM.

### **Executive Session**