

UTAH YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting

TOSH Auditorium

WEDNESDAY ~~ September 19, 2012

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, President at 8:10pm in the UYSA State Office Conference Room in Sandy, UT. The following Board Members were present during the meeting:

Roll Call: Cindy Baron—President

John Gygi—1st Vice President

Brian Smith—2nd Vice President

Andrew Hiatt—Executive Director

Dave Mills—Region 2 Director (Conference Call)

Kyle Pasley—Region 6 Director (Conference Call)

Loren Mott—Region 3 Director(On Conference Call at 8:30 pm)

Also Present: Bruce Cuppett—State Cup Chair

Jodene Smith—State Registrar

Tim Wheelwright—Protest and Appeals Chair

Terry Ogden—President’s Cup Chair

Tracy Proulx—Competition Committee Chair

Greg Maas—State Technical Director

Excused: Vaughn Mordecai—Region 5 Director

Allan Haycock—Region 1 Director

Absent: Jodi Wells—Region 4 Director

Acceptance of Minutes – August 16, 2012. Cindy asks for corrections to minutes. No corrections. Brian moves to approve minutes of August 16, 2012 Board Meeting. Minutes are approved and passed.

Reports of Members of the Board of Directors

Reports of Committees:

ALL REPORTS SHOULD BE WRITTEN and SUBMITTED TO THE STATE OFFICE FOR DISTRIBUTION PRIOR TO THE MEETING –

Unfinished Business

- **Transfer Form / with time management**—Cindy opens discussion on updating the transfer form and putting guidelines and a time line on form. Cindy asks if it is something that should be reviewed again and have in place by October. Jodene states that the registrars would like to keep all actions on the same form. Jodene states that the form needs to be updated and UYSA could add a timeline. Cindy assigns Jodene to add a timeframe to the form and update the form with the new verbiage and have it ready for next month's Board Meeting.
- **Assignor Certification**—Assignors need to be trained and informed on how to assign referees in the system. It has become a problem with referees, games, etc. Assignors need to be using it to assign games and report any problems, so if there are issues we can request that ADG address them. Jodene suggests making it mandatory for assignors to assign in the system like was done with the registrars. Cindy will get something together for next Board Meeting for making assigning in the system mandatory.
- **Field Assignments**—Fields in the system are still showing as TBD. It is a risk management and liability for UYSA because we provide the insurance. All games need to have a field assigned to them in the system. As soon as it is assigned on the local level, it needs to be in the system. Brian asks if someone could come in and do an overview of the system for assigning. Cindy suggests having Bryan Attridge do the Assigning Module at 7:30 pm before next Board Meeting.

New Business

- **Match Discipline Policy**—Tracy states that the Competition Committee was in agreement with the changes except for the first section under spectator discipline. Some on the committee felt that team officials should be held responsible, to a certain extent, for their spectators. The Committee came to an agreement under 6314.d. Tracy states that there was concern on how it would actually be implemented on the field. Verbiage under penalties is consistent with how the ADG system works with red cards. Players MUST sit out their red card with their primary team and cannot be club passed until after the red card is served. With multi-rostered players, they must sit with the team they received the card on. Tracy states section 14 still says 4 days, Cindy states it should say 72hrs. Referees must report red cards within 24 hours. Cindy asks about coaches getting expelled and violent conduct. Tracy states the committee still needs to discuss these topics. Cindy suggests adding that referee abuse by a team official can lead to further disciplinary action. John states that in section 1 of policies it states that any violation of

policies is subject to further disciplinary action. Cindy would like to see it in this policy, as well. John points out that this new policy no longer allows for red and yellow cards for spectators. Jodene suggests adding “team official” instead of just “official” to clarify. Brian motions to accept proposed Match Discipline Policy with amendments. John seconds. Motion voted on and passed. Brian motions to put policy into effect immediately. Bruce suggests having UYSA State Office send out an email to all Team Officials with the new Match Discipline Policy. Tracy informed the Board that they will continue to look at increasing the number of suspended games required for coaches and team officials and will bring this back to the Board. Dave seconds motion. Motion voted on. Motion passes.

- **Section 6.2.d.4 Alignment Policy**—Tracy explains this policy is to close the gaps that existed with fall alignment and make sure things are clear. Page 3 of the document starts with the proposed changes. Tracy explains that there was confusion between the gaming roster and state cup roster, so they clarified between the two. Will specify to say “previous gaming roster” to clarify. Tim asks what “previous” refers to, and suggests changing the words to clarify. Cindy’s concern on e. is that if registration closes on the 15th, it would be confusing to have all the different dates. Cindy would like to see both dates on the same day if possible and states that the registration date can be changed, if needed. Cindy states that if the registration date changes, it needs to go out as soon as possible. Brian states that if it does changes, it should not be changed by more than a week for teams trying to get players together. Competition Committee would like the deadline moved up to give more time for roster continuity. Drew suggests if date is changed, it should be to July 1, which would help out Sanctioned Tournaments, as well. Tracy states that if deadline were Feb 1, Competition Committee would be able to do everything necessary to have alignment ready. Council discusses a new registration date and making sure all parties have enough time to do what they need to do. As State Registrar, Jodene states she would be okay with a July 1 deadline. Brian suggests only putting it up one week, Cindy agrees. The registration date would be July 8. Drew suggests asking for feedback from registrars and waiting until next Board Meeting to make a decision. Greg suggests July 1 because it is before all the holidays. Tim suggests just making the change to July 1 now, and if there is a problem it can always be re-visited. Brian asks what will change as far as the schedule. Drew explains that if we had an extra week and a half, coaches would be able to view and change schedules before they were published, and minimize reschedules. Committee would like to have schedules to be out 2 weeks before the

season even starts. The new registration deadlines will be 11:59 pm on February 1 and July 1. John states that the alignment forms should be due by February 2 and July 2. The Competition Committee would like to have the final standings by December 1, 2012 and June 5, 2013.

Deadline for holding the final alignment meeting will be within three weeks from the registration deadline. John asks about pre-alignment, Tracy states it will be no less than 2 days prior. Brian asks to go back to f.7, asks about reasoning behind last sentence. John states that the “should” should be changed to “shall.” Cindy asks about the double relegation. Tracy explains that it is two different points: the two teams up and two teams down, plus not having roster continuity. Brian would like to see parity be a part of this as well. John states that under tie-breaker policies in section 6, it says back to step 2. Tracy says it should be back to step 1. Cindy suggests waiting to approve this until after all changes are made. Board would like to see final document by Monday to be voted on electronically.

- **Alignment Form (implementation Spring 2013)**—Tracy explains the main thing is to make sure the roster continuity is clarified. Some Competition Committee members would like to have a current and prior roster required with each form. Another addition is that misrepresentation of roster continuity will be referred to the Adjudication Committee. Tracy asks if they need to specify “only players registered as of these dates will count to current roster continuity.” Tim states that yes, it should be specified. Cindy asks Tracy to attach form with final alignment when it is sent out to the Board to be voted on.
- **Multi Roster**—It was brought to the Board’s attention that this policy was inadvertently left out in section 6. Cindy states that the only time a player can choose a primary team is when they register for both teams concurrently. Otherwise, their primary team is the first team they are registered with. To switch primary teams, it has to count as a transfer. Cindy states that this needs to be in the policy. John will add to policy. Policy tabled until next Board Meeting.
- **Game reports / Referees to enter scores**—Tabled until next Board Meeting.
- **ODP Financial Responsibility Policy**—Tabled until next Board Meeting.
- **Reports**
 - **Greg Maas**—Greg reports on Youth Soccer Month Events. Announces that the 2012-2013 Coaching Education Calendar has now been published. The bold dates are classroom dates. Calendar now includes 24 different dates. Current course dates do not include youth modules, new courses, etc. UYSA will hold a

National Youth License and state-hosted C License this coming year, 2013; have to have a minimum of 36 candidates. Greg announces that bypasses and waivers are going to be eliminated. If a coach qualifies to bypass, they have to go through US Soccer's process, if not, they MUST start with the E License. Greg reports on Online Youth Module and changes made to it. Also, reports on implementing ODP Region Select Scouting form. With all this change and growth, Greg would like to look to hire an Education and Player Development Director for the State Office. See job description in report. This new position would help grow the organization and offer more opportunities to our coaches and members. Cindy states that she would like to see "Spanish speaking preferred" added to the job description.

- **Drew Hiatt**—See report. Drew states that he supports Greg and this new position. He has found room in the budget to accommodate this new position. Drew asks if Board would support the reallocation of money in the budget to raise the allowance of salary and benefits a total of \$60,000. Brian motions to transfer \$60,000 from ODP income into Employee Salary and Benefits to cover the new position of Education and Player Development Director. John seconds motion. Brian tables motion.

Good of the Game—Bruce states that they are going to change club pass for State Cup to 24 hours before roster freeze.

Adjournment—Meeting adjourned at 10:32 pm.

Executive Session

Next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors - TBD