

UTAH YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors
February 19, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Utah Youth Soccer Association was called to Order by President Scott Maxfield at 8:00 p.m. at the State Office of Utah Youth Soccer Association in Salt Lake City, Utah. The following Board members were present during the meeting:

Scott Maxfield, President
Cindy Baron, Vice President
Jodi Wells, Secretary
Debbie Haycock, Recreation Director
Eric Blommer, Competition Director
Troy Anderson, District 1 Chairperson
Trisha Roberts, District 2 Chairperson
John Gygi, District 3 Chairperson
Dave Mills, District 4 Chairperson
Brian Smith, District 5 Chairperson
Scott Hansen, District 6 Chairperson
Delon Brower, District 7 Chairperson

Also present were Bruce Cuppett, (State Cup Chairperson), Sarah Smith, (Top Soccer Chairperson), Jodene Smith, (State Registrar), Greg Maas, (State Technical Director), Scott Reynolds, (Real Salt Lake), Pat Sebring, (LaRoca), Ray DeWitt, (Ameriprise Financial), and Bobby Ginn, (State Executive Director).

MINUTES

Motion Made and seconded to approve the minutes from January 15, 2009 Board of Directors Meetings, with the following correction made under the Competition Director Section:

The Pre-alignment meeting will start at 6:00 p.m. and it is only open to the competition committee members. The alignment meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. and will begin with the younger boys first and finish with the oldest girls.

REPORTS

RECREATION DIRECTOR

Debbie Haycock, Recreation Director reported that she is now running the Kohl's Cup and is in hopes that teams from throughout the state will travel up to Logan to participate.

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

Greg Maas, State Technical Director reported that the coaching courses are looking good, everything is covered. We will be offering the NSCAA Goalkeeping Course next weekend, and we have Top Soccer Clinics scheduled as well.

James Roger from the 93 Region team, will be one of the 7 out of 18 players in Costa Rica from Utah. We have the use of the Draper Armory to host clinics during the winter.

The Knoop Foundation is still moving forward.

DISTRICT 6

Scott Hansen, District 6 Chairperson—No Report

COMPETITION DIRECTOR

Eric Blommer, Competition Director, reported that the alignment meeting will take place next week, let us know of any teams missing.

VICE PRESIDENT

Cindy Baron, Vice President reported that we are still looking for volunteer awards for the AGM. Tom Borrowman is working on the Kirk Hirshal award; we need to set up some criteria. The Rules committee is meeting; we have put together a Mission statement that we will present at the next meeting.

DISTRICT 7

Delon Brower, District 7 Chairperson—No Report

DISTRICT 5

Brian Smith, District 5 Chairperson—No Report

District 2

Trisha Roberts, District 2 Chairperson—No Report

DISTRICT 4

Dave Mills, District 4 Chairperson, reported that Cody Basset passed away today.

REGISTRAR

Jodene Smith, State Registrar reported that they are working on getting the DOC pass working and in place for this fall.

TOP SOCCER

Sarah Smith, Top Soccer Chairperson reported that Top Soccer met with Real SL they are on board to give Top Soccer whatever they need to get it going. April 24th we will have a Top soccer clinic from 5:30-8:30, if you know of any team that would be good that needs some community service it would be a great opportunity for them to come work with the Top Soccer kids during the clinic.

We will be at Rio Tinto Stadium on April 11th. We will have Official Real jerseys for all Top Soccer players. Xango is going to sponsor us; we need a Top Soccer patch and a UYSA patch on each of the jersey. We will have a Top Soccer logo as well. After the game, we will be having an afternoon that the Real team and coaches will be working with the kids. Top soccer fees are different and I would like to have it be the same across the board.

Top soccer kids will register in their district, but will be in the same group. I would like to have them register thru UYSA so that we know where everyone is. All areas will be included in the program.

XLEAGUE

Bruce Cuppett, X-League reported that he will do the alignment and then we will hand off the X-League to a new Chairperson. They will be having an 8 week season for spring.

STATE CUP

Bruce Cuppett, State Cup Chairperson, reported that open application will run from February 16 through March 10th. The Mandatory team meeting will be on March 13 at Juan Diego, 2 individuals from each team need to be present, and you cannot represent more than one team.

DISTRICT 1

Troy Anderson, District 1 Chairperson, reported that they are putting a risk management for our district, and that the Firebirds Club has no president at this time.

SECRETARY

Jodi Wells, Secretary reported that the AGM Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 21st, the Business meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m., and Dave Checketts will be the Keynote speaker at the Awards luncheon that will start at 11:30 a.m.

PRESIDENT

President Scott Maxfield recognized Scott Reynolds from Real Salt Lake, and Ray DeWitt from Ameriprise Financial.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 2009 Utah Youth Soccer Association Scholarship Golf Tournament presented by Ameriprise Financial, April 23, 2009 Shot Gun start 8:00 am at the River Oaks Golf Course. A Barbeque Lunch and drinks will be offered.

The tournament will be a 4 man scramble for all skill levels. River Oaks Golf Course will provide score cards, golf carts and lunch.

Team prizes for the Tournament will include 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes.

Contest will be held on several holes with a range of prizes, including cash, golf equipment, and much more.

Raffles will also be held to include a variety of prizes.

MISSION STATEMENT

Cindy Baron, Vice President presented a Mission Statement and requested that we get everyone's input we would like to vote on this next month. The Rules committee will be meeting at 9:30 a.m. this Saturday. Questions give us a call or talk to your representation.

Take this back to your districts and review and let's make this an action item for next month. Let's use this as a template. Thanks to John Gygi for getting this out.

ACTION ITEMS

PARADE BANNER

Picking of the Band for the Days of 47 Parade—action item for May

UYSA PRESIDENTS CUP TOURNAMNET OF CHAMPIONS

Greg Maas, State Technical Director presented the following Qualification Process for this tournament:

Boys:

1. *The U14-17 Boys Fall Presidents Cup Champion automatically qualifies for one spot in the Tournament of Champions.*

2. *The State Cup Finalist and other two (2) Semifinalist qualify for the remaining three (3) spots.*
3. *The State Cup Finalist will receive the #1 seed, the President's Cup Champion the #2 seed, and based on the Semifinal results, the State Cup Semifinalist will be seeded #3 and #4.*
4. *In the case of a WC in State Cup, the Presidents Cup Finalist will be added to the Tournament of Champions seeded #4.*
5. *Bracket play consists of 1 v 4 and 2 v 3, winners advancing to the finals.*
6. *Champion will advance to represent UYSA at the US Youth Soccer National Directors Cup in Delaware.*

Girls:

1. *The U14-17 Girls State Cup Finalist, two Semifinalists, and the top Premier League finisher (based on final league standings) in each age group will qualify for the four (4) spots in the Tournament of Champions.*
2. *If the top Premier League finisher is one of the Finalist or Semifinalist, the next highest Premier League finisher will be selected—regardless of their State Cup results.*
3. *In the case of a WC in State Cup, an additional team will be added from the final Premier League standings. Note: we will know the WC status prior to both events.*
4. *The State Cup Finalist will receive the #1 seed, the State Cup Semifinalists based on Semifinal results will be seeded #2 and #3, and the Premier League finisher will be seeded #4.*
5. *Brackets play 1 v4 and 2 v 3, winners advancing to the finals.*
6. *Champion will advance to represent UYSA at the US Youth Soccer National Directors Cup in Delaware.*

Motion was made and seconded to approve with modifications as they come across. Motion passes. Greg will shoot out an e-mail concerning any issues; we will continue to get this information out to the association, as it becomes available.

OPEN SUBSTANTIATION

Bruce Cuppett stated that he took the wording from nationals. Norm is unwilling to take it on until we receive it from Region IV.

Scott Maxfield stated that he will work with the state referee committee and get this in place.

ASSOCIATE STATE TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

Job description was included in Board of Directors packets to be reviewed.

This person would help develop recreation programs out in the communities.

Discussion

Actual contract negotiations have not been set, we would put together a hiring selection, and the BOD should be able to have some input on the hiring, but Greg would make the final decision.

Motion to approve this proposal, for Associate Technical Director with stipulations of the BOD to be involved in the compensation package and hiring.

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Motion carries 1 oppose.

X-LEAGUE CHAIRPERSON

Bruce Cuppett stated that we need to have someone step up for this position. We could have Debbie find someone who would be an assistant from her Recreation committee to be over the X-League. We really need to have a policy written to cover this program. This is a developmental program and should fall under the Recreation Director.

Each district needs to go back to their boards and find someone that would like to work with the X-League.

TOP SOCCER

Sarah Smith, Top Soccer Chairperson reported that she has some people lined up that want to be trained to coach TOP SOCCER. This would be up in Idaho, to get them trained at the Top Soccer Symposium. That would be valuable. I have parents with special needs kids that would be trained. I am looking for funding, to help with hotels for 4-5 people.

Greg Maas, State Technical Director, stated that the Coaching education budget should have some money in there to help out. Greg will get back to Sarah on this.

The Board of Directors has asked that Financial Statements be included in the Board Packets each month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made and seconded to move into Executive Session at 9:50 p.m.

Discussion of Office Staff

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 11:05 p.m. The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Utah Youth Soccer Association is scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2009 at 8 p.m. at the State Office of Utah Youth Soccer Association.

*These draft minutes were prepared by Secretary Jodi Wells.
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