



APPROVED DISTRICT III MEETING MINUTES

April 1, 2002

The regular monthly District III Board of Directors meeting held at the District III office, 501 D2 30th St. NE, in Auburn was called to order at 7:07 PM.

Present were Commissioner Paige Harder, 1st VP Dan Flint, VP Competition Marian Bowers, Secretary Marty Torres, Treasurer Ken Vannice, Web Master Gerd Schmidt, GRJSA MAR Ruth Weber, GRJSA Alternate MAR Alice Russell, HSA MAR Laura Lewis, KYSA MAR Lucy Schuck, MpVSA MAR Scott Ruby, MRSA MAR Dan Haisch. Disciplinary Chair Warren Wheelock, AYSA MAR Stu Snow, FWSA, NarYSA, TPCJSA MARs were excused. Guests present were: Juan Rangel, David Marincovich and Mark O'Brien. A quorum was present.

Motion/Second to approve the March 2002 minutes as written. **Motion passed.**

OFFICERS' REPORTS

COMMISSIONER PAIGE HARDER

Communications

1. Letter from the Post Office stating that District III has been granted non-profit status for bulk mailing.
2. Very nice thank you letter from Ryan Muir, District III Young Male Referee of the Year, who was asked to referee at Regionals, representing WSYSA. He is requesting financial assistance. **Motion/Second** to give Ryan Muir \$250 for Region IV Tournament for Referee expenses. Monies to be deducted from Regional savings funds. **Motion passed.**
3. Soccer Journal
4. Score
5. State Annual Reports

Report

1. MARS need to make hotel reservations for Soccer Fair by today. Call 253-591-4142 for your reservations. Tell them you are with WSYSA soccer fair.
2. The Jamboree is in the ballroom this year not in the vending area. Make sure you stop by and support our District III team. Schedules are on the state web.
3. Lots of workshops at Soccer Fair. You can register on line if you have not already done so.
4. There are teams playing in the Y-league. Per WSYSA they are not covered under WSYSA insurance if they play in this league. At this time WSYSA does not support this league.
5. Region IV workshop this fall will be in Hawaii.
6. The 2003 National Coaches Workshop will be held in Indianapolis. Any MARs that can get their associations to pay their travel and hotel expenses should make their reservations for the hotel asap. The main hotel is already sold out. District III has reserved six rooms across the street from the convention.
7. FarWest Regionals will be coming soon. We have a lot of teams going from District III. I would like to wish them the best of luck and I know they will represent District III and WSYSA well.
8. Anyone interested in purchasing adidas apparel can contact Jon Matshita at 425-881-1212 and he will do what he can for you.
9. The small-sided games rules have been approved. They will be handed out at Soccer Fair. Please make sure your VP of Competition attend this workshop. It will be very valuable.
10. The Washington State Youth Developmental League was approved by the BOD. After this season it will be unnecessary for any District to have Mini's. Any teams wishing to enter LPT's that is approved by their associations will be allowed to do so.
11. LPT fees are now \$400.
12. Associations can set rules as to who goes to WSYDL.

1st VP DAN FLINT**Report**

1. Reminder to attend the Ethics workshop at Soccer Fair Jamboree

VP COMPETITION MARIAN BOWERS**Report**

1. My mailing address is: Marian Bowers, PO Box 65229, Univ. Place, WA 98464-1229
2. If you need an Application to Host a Tournament signed, please send it to my mailing address, For quicker return please include:
 - The original Tournament Packet to be signed
 - A copy of the packet for our files
 - A copy of the tournament rules
 - A self addressed stamped envelope
3. WSYL Applications were sent to all Association Registrars. Applications are due to me no later than April 19".
4. Mini's will be in Orting May 11 & 12 and 18 & 19. Cindy Moore will be the referee assignor. Referees will receive \$35.00 for a center and \$18.00 for a line.
5. I am working on a few changes to the District League Application and they will be on the web site soon.
6. Gerd has been hired as our League Scheduler this year and I will act as Administrator of the League Scorekeepers. Each league will have a scorekeeper who will gather all the scores then report them to me for posting.

SECRETARY MARTY TORRES**Report**

1. I need your Officers' name, addresses, phone and email for the District III Directory. Will publish a large and small version.

TREASURER KEN VANNICE**Report**

1. Plan on purchasing a coat and have District III Treasurer placed on it. Cost to be covered under 1st VP-District Wear.
2. Spent more money than usual this month because awards, ODP and newsletter were all paid for this past month.
3. An invoice was received for a shirt purchased for ODP. We need to verify for whom the shirt was purchased before reimbursement is made.
4. Looking for someone to do our taxes, someone involved in soccer, \$500 in the budget. Liz Merritt is a possibility. We also need someone to look over the books.

Handouts

1. Monthly Financial Statements

APPOINTED CHAIR REPORTS**SCHEDULER GERD SCHMIDT****Report**

1. Scheduling will be much like previous years.
2. Looking at July 18 as entry deadline.
3. Marian will work with teams so that they ll be placed into proper leagues so we have fewer changes at the last minute.
4. Field matching on schedules- please specify field number if you multiple fields at one site for better scheduling. Example- Pea Patch, 1, 2 or 3. Please use the same name consistently throughout your forms.

WEB MASTER GERD SCHMIDT**Report**

1. Associations please check out your officer list on the District III web site. Updates may be necessary.
2. Last months minutes were placed in the wrong place. Has been corrected.

3. Can contact Paige – Paige.Harder@district-3.org
4. Will have individual pages for each division. If you have a problem with the web page, please contact me.
5. Have placed a Pepsi logo on the ODP page because of their support of approximately \$1000 to \$1500 to the ODP program.

MAR REPORTS

GRJSA MAR RUTH WEBER

1. Discussed as a group what goals & objectives we want to pursue in 2002. It was proposed we look at long term goals & objective. We reviewed what the purpose of the association is and broke it down into categories resulting in the following:
 - Organize games and competition
 - Registration
 - Organize Leagues/Administration
 - Field Organization/Scheduling
 - Budgets
 - Training/Development/Educate in and out of organization
 - Communication network/web site
 - Implement & Administer WSYS/Dist. 3 and GRJSA policy
 - Field Development/Planning, Partnering City, County & School District
 - Disciplinary
 - PR to help and maintain relationships
 - Fund raiser/Fees/Tournament
 - Oversee member clubs

Enhancement to the above will be addressed individually starting with Organize Games and Competition. Under this category are several roles, duties and responsibilities performed such as: Modify Leagues U11 & U12 (In house); Register teams; set fees; rank teams; schedule games & fields (Home); awards; referees; recruit coaches.

Decision was made that there are 7 Basic Elements that fall under this category. Debbie Paulsen would e-mail everyone who attended meeting with the 7 basic elements listed below and then each person would write back with their thoughts on roles, duties and responsibilities for each of these and they would be collated and discussed at the 4/3/02 association meeting. They are:

- Fields
 - Players
 - Coaches
 - Administrators
 - Referees
 - Teams
 - Parents
2. We decided to put our name in the hat for host of the Snickers & Commissioners Cup.
 3. We have approx. 800 players registered for our Spring program. Concern: A way to count the spring league players in our player count is needed.
 4. We have a new registrar program that has been expertly written and implemented by Bob Coccia.
 5. We are also looking into implementing a referee program that will possibly be shared with Highline and Maple Valley. It will be voted on at our next meeting.

HSA MAR LAURA LEWIS

1. The final tryouts for Heat will be held this weekend
2. Will be voting on adopting the new Referee Program. Will cost the clubs approximately \$400 each.
3. Last year HSA had a coach and team leave and join another Association. HSA policy is to support their Heat and Eagles coaches by providing the necessary tools to accomplish the goals of their respective programs. When this coach left, he had access to the HSA player information at his age bracket. This year that same coach mailed tryout letters to all the HSA players in his age group asking them to tryout for his GRJSA team. He was observed attending and made his presence known at the HSA Eagles tryout for his age bracket. He also called the HSA players. The fall out is that a HSA team folded and a long time HSA Officer resigned over the controversy. HSA can/may file an Ethics complaint over this. GRJSA stated that this coach purchased the labels for GRJSA from the state. GRJSA does not give out labels and it not required to go through them for labels.
4. Only HSA Heat and Eagles may enter WSYL leagues.

KYSA MAR LUCY SCHUCK

1. KYSA fundraiser with the Seattle Sounders will be held April 21 at French Field. Tickets are \$7.00. Please see the KYSA web site for more information.
2. A Renton BU13 team placed flyers on cars of players attending KYSA tryouts directing them to attend GRJSA tryout immediately following Kent's. GRJSA Ethics will handle.

MpVSA MAR SCOTT RUBY

1. Turnouts for U11 Placement program will be held April 27 and 28 from 10 am to noon.

MRSA MAR DAN HAISCH- no report**UNFINISHED BUSINESS****SOCCER FAIR DINNER**

1. Please let Paige know who will be sitting at the District III tables

MINI LPT'S

1. Fields will be lined, everything is in order and will be ready.

DISTRICT III NEWSLETTER

1. Have extra copies for everyone.
2. Looking for advertising so that can offset costs and publish 2 newsletters a year.
3. Concern was expressed about the possibility of conflicting information. The annual report included information about the VP Comp from last year but on the back page the VP Comp position was open. It was stated that we are not always able to include past information in an annual report that is also current at the time of printing. Could consider focusing on future plans for the newsletter.

VP DEVELOPMENT

1. Had 3 people interested but my email has been down so I could not respond. Juan Rangel is interested in the appointment. We can appoint this evening or MARs can take back to their Associations and vote next month. **Motion/Second** to appoint Juan as interim VP Development. **Discussion.** Juan was asked to say a few words as to his qualifications. Juan feels that:
 - ODP takes a significant amount of time and would like Henry Robicheau to continue in the position of ODP Administrator.
 - Important to develop players at U7, 8 and 9 and would address this by developing coaches at the age level. Clinics would be important
 - Would like to address and have a significant impact on Referee Development
 - Would like to have a Boys and Girls Coordinator
 - Would like to have committee chairs and would talk to the other persons interested in this VP Development position to ask if they would like to be involved.
 - Has the time necessary to commit to this position

The question was called for. Motion Passed.

PRESIDENT'S CUP

1. Some Associations would like to see the State Cup Director handle the President's Cup.

NEW BUSINESS**DISTRICT III LEAGUE RULES**

1. Anyone having input for Rule changes must bring them to the next meeting

WSYL APPLICATIONS

1. Please be sure your Association Registrars have received their packets with the new deadline

IDDL

1. U14 IDDL teams that participated in last year's Adams Division may apply directly to this year's U15

LPT's. They will not have to qualify via their Districts, provided they have 8 returning players from last year's October 31st roster. All other IDDL teams must qualify via their respective districts.

SATURDAY GAMES FOR RECREATIONAL PLAYERS

1. One of the many reason we are losing players at the older age groups is due players not wanting to play on Sundays.
2. Games scheduled for Sundays may be rescheduled for Saturdays as long as the proper form and procedures are followed.
3. If older aged Rec teams must be placed into silver Divisions to form leagues, they will play Sundays. Usually happens at U15 and U16. Will place Rec in Silver if necessary.

VP COMPETITION MEETING

1. Will hold a meeting with Association registrars and VP Comps for team placement

GAMES START TIMES

1. Not allowed to start after 5:00 PM

REFEREE EVALUATION FORM

1. Juan will develop a Referee Evaluation form for the coaches packets
2. Will also make available on the web site

D CLINICS

1. Juan will contact Henry regarding District III sponsored D Clinics. District III to re-imburse.
2. GRJSA stated they would like for HSA to be able to hold the D Clinics that they had previous requested as they held one last year. HSA expressed their thanks and appreciation to GRJSA.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE GAME

CHAIRS FOR OFFICE

1. Ken brought an example of what he would like to purchase for the District III office.

NEWSLETTER

1. Appreciation and compliments were received about the District III newsletter.

TRYOUT FLYERS

1. HSA appreciates everyone's sensitivity about tryout flyers from other associations going to their players. It is a sad and considerable loss of HSA's Vice President over this situation.

REFRIGERATOR

1. Want to look into purchasing a refrigerator for the office. There is a range of cost. Do we want a small refrigerator or an apartment sized one? Consensus was to purchase the larger one.

Motion/Second to adjourn at 9:03 PM. **Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,

Marty Torres
District III Secretary