



APPROVED DISTRICT III MEETING MINUTES

Jan 06, 2003

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 7:10 PM.

Present were Commissioner Paige Harder, VP Competition Marian Bowers, Secretary Marty Torres, Treasurer Ken Vannice, Disciplinary Chair Warren Wheelock, Web Master/Scheduler Gerd Schmidt, AYSA MAR Stu Snow, FWSA MAR Suzanne Kocher, GRJSA MAR Ruth Weber, HSA MAR David Marincovich, KYSA MAR Lucy Schuck, MpVSA MAR Doug Munger, MRSA Alternate MAR Mark O'Brien, TPCJSA Alternate MAR Ray Moffatte. Excused: NarYSA MAR. A quorum was present.

Motion/Second to approve the Dec 2002 minutes with the following corrections.

- Page 1, under Commissioner's Report, bullet #1- change "~~Please make sure you make your associations are aware of this~~" to " Please make sure your associations are aware of this."
- Page 2, under VP Development Report, bullet 16, first question, change "~~Division 1 and Division 2 players~~" can be nominated by their coaches to " Division 1 and Division 2 players are scouted and can be nominated by their coaches".
- Page 2 , under VP Competition report, bullet 1, change " ~~Thank you to Perry Woodford and FWSA for their assistance with the President's Cup, free use of fields and referees for BU11 Semi-Finals.~~" to : "Thank you to Perry Woodford and FWSA for their assistance with the President's Cup, free use of fields and referees for BU11 Semi-Finals and Finals.
- Page 2, under VP Competition report, bullet 2, change " ~~Thank you to GRJSA for hosting the GU11 & GU12 and to TPCJSA for hosting the BU14 President's Cup Semi-Finals~~" to " Thank you to GRJSA for hosting the GU11 & GU12 and to TPCJSA for hosting the BU14 President's Cup Finals."
- Page 3, under VP Competition, Scores, change "~~Associations are asked to call coaches to report their scores.~~" to "Associations are asked to contact your coaches to get their missing scores."
- Page 3, under VP Competition, Payment to Scheduler, change "~~Gerd is paid a fee for his work for District III. He bought equipment with which to do this job and it will be reimbursed in lieu of part of his fee~~" to " Gerd is paid a fee for his work for District III. He has purchased equipment with which to do this job. Possible reimbursement can be discussed when Gerd is present at the meeting."
- Page 4, under Unfinished Business, Sponsored Clinics, change " ~~will pay half of the cost for out of assoc coaches to go to other D clinics~~" to " will pay half of the cost for District III Coaches to attend one of the two District III sponsored clinics".
- Page 5, Under Good of the Game, change "~~District III monies should not be used for referees who not be affiliated with WSYSA~~" to "District III monies should not be used for referees who not be affiliated with District III."

Motion passed.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

COMMISSIONER PAIGE HARDER

No Report/No Communications

VP DEVELOPMENT JUAN RANGEL (Given by Commissioner)

- Selection letters are going out this week. Each pool is between 40 and 50 players. Boys will start in late Feb. Girls' start date TBD.
- Updates will be on the ODP line as far as actual start date and practice fields.

VP COMPETITION MARIAN BOWERS

Report

- The season is now complete and we have had a lot of positive comments with respect to the promptness and accuracy of the standings.
- This was the first year that we used an e-mail address instead of fields and times. This caused great frustration. Coaches didn't understand that they were to get that information from their home associations. The home associations weren't ready to supply the coaches with that information. Some coaches still didn't bother to notify their opponents with field information. I think the process will work better next year if we can get the associations to get this information to their coaches.
- For score keeping next year we will be using e-mail to report the scores. These scores will be sent to each of the division scorekeepers who will verify etc. and then send a complete set of scores to the league score keeper.
- The team score reporting form has been completed but the form for the Division score keeper is not yet done.
- If we can make the electronic score reporting work we can eliminate the 8,000 score cards.
- Trophies and medallions may be picked up at either Jan 18th, 10:00 A.M. at the District III office, the Council meeting on Jan 25th or the Feb District meeting.

Handouts

- List of 2002 District III First and Second Place Teams

Question: Can we retain trophies from any teams that are to receive them until disciplinary "sit out" paperwork is received? **Discussion:** We have 10 players who have not returned their paperwork. The coach is responsible to make sure the player returns the paperwork. Do we have proof of these players' ineligibility to play? District III could inform WSYSA of these players' ineligibility to participate in Sate Cup. These sanctions (withholding trophies/awarding of 1 or 2nd place) cannot be implemented unless they have already been approved and adopted in the District III governing documents. Sanctions can be put in place for next year. Warren will send another letter to the players and a courtesy copy to the Association Presidents.

SECRETARY MARTY TORRES

No report

TREASURER KEN VANNICE

Report

- HSA has submitted their late fees
- Gerd has been paid
- NSF ODP check returned. Player's family has been contacted. Ken is asked to notify Juan if a replacement check has not been received in 2 weeks.
- **Motion/Second** to establish an advanced education fund (\$2000) for A, B, And C Coaching Licenses. A District III member association must propose applicants. Maximum cost to each coach is half the cost of the clinic with no minimum. Coach may be required to do some District III service. Would be administered by the VP Development. **Discussion:** The budget currently has \$8850 for coaches clinics of which the associations are not taking advantage. **Friendly Amendment/Accepted:** The unused balance of the currently budgeted \$8850 could be used for A, B and C clinics.. Communication to Associations and Clubs is important so that they take advantage of these clinics. It was explained that the district has budgeted monies for clinics (modules 1 and 2) for new coaches. **The Question was called for. Motion passed with 1 no vote and 1 abstention.**
- **Motion/Second** to purchase accounting software. The cost is now \$200. **Motion passed.**
- Treasurer will be resigning effective March 10th to run for Commissioner.

Handouts

- 2002 Budget vs Actual (entire year)
- January 2003 Balance sheet
- Profit and Loss Detail

APPOINTED CHAIR REPORTS

SCHEDULER/WEB MASTER GERD SCHMIDT

Report

- We received positive comments regarding accurate and timely posting of the standings.
- This was the first year we put email addresses in place of field and time. The Associations were not ready. This will work better next year. The question was asked if Gerd could include a second contact number on the schedules. This is not possible but will consider including a place for a second contact number on the entry league forms.

- Scorekeeping- working on using on-line score reporting instead of scorecards.
- Information on Standingsplus.com is not official

DISCIPLINARY CHAIR WARREN WHEELOCK

- Warren is asked to send in the Disciplinary report to the state.

MAR REPORTS

AYSA MAR STU SNOW

- Things are going SUPER in Auburn

FWSA MAR SUZANNE KOCHER- no report

GRJSA MAR RUTH WEBER

- Elections will be held this week. Will have a new Officer position: VP of Administration
- Holding meetings for Commissioner's Cup
- Gearing up for Spring Leagues

HSA MAR DAVID MARINCOVICH

- HSA held their annual Christmas gathering and business meeting on December 11th, 2002
- Kim Duke gave a report on the Holiday Cup
- Various points of business were cleaned up.

KYSA MAR LUCY SCHUCK

- Easthills Sports Complex is now named Wilson.
- Play Fields are available for other Association use. Contact Erick Bradfield to schedule. Information on the KYSA website.
- Spring leagues entry deadline is Feb 1

MpVSA MAR DOUG MUNGER

- Approximately 14 teams in the state cup.
- Four positions open on the board. Information on the website.
- Kentlake High School will put up signs outlining Field Use Rules. These rules will be enforced.

MRSA ALTERNATE MAR MARK O'BRIEN

- Have 12 teams in the State Cup
- Will have a new turf field next year

TPCJSA ALTERNATE MAR RAY MOFFATE

- Teams are playing in the state cup
- Request to clarify the TPCJSA report for the November 2002 District Minute. Change to read that TPCJSA will be holding a meeting to remove a president and co-president of a club, not the entire club.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

OF THE YEAR

- Paige will send information on our nominees out to everyone.

BOUNDARIES MEETING

- Jan 15, 5 PM at the District Office.
- Committee members- Paige Harder, Stu Snow, Warren Wheelock, Marian Bowers, Doug Munger, Tony Shaw.

RMA MEETING

- Jan 18, 10:30 AM, at the District Office.
- Will email everyone to verify

NEW BUSINESS

NOMINATING CHAIRPERSON

- Warren Wheelock has agreed to chair the nominating committee for District III elections to be held in March. Positions up for election- Commissioner, Secretary, VP Competition. Treasurer position will be appointed in April to finish the term.
- Running for Commissioner- Ken Vannice, Marian Bowers, Stu Snow.
- Running for Secretary- Marty Torres
- Running for VP Competition- unknown at this time
- Anyone interested in running for an Executive Board position, please send a resume addressed to Warren Wheelock at the District III Office by Jan. 28th
- Contact the officer currently in the position for a job description.

COUNCIL MEETING

- Reminder for all MARs to attend- Jan 25th. (Secretary's note: Sea-Tac Marriott, 8:30 AM Continental Breakfast, 9:30 AM meeting)

DISTRICT III/PLAY ON NEWSLETTER

- Reminder that District III will not be sending out an annual newsletter. This year we will send out tryout information for publication in the March *Play On!*. Send tryout information to Marty by Jan 31 to make the *Play On!* deadline. Please also send it to Gerd so he can put on the District III website.

PLAY ON ARTICLE

- An article in the December *Play On!* that advocates the Jan 12th ODP tournament was discussed. The concern is the tournament interferes with Sate Cup. Paige is asked to get clarification.

U10 LEAGUES

- There is interest in varying levels of competition for U10 instead of one pool of teams. Discussion followed as to the possibility of having a silver and gold division, the focus on participation rather than winning and the possibility of a District Placement Tournament. If enough teams enter, separate divisions could be formed.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE GAME

COACHES AND CERTIFICATION

- Concern was expressed about the perception of coaches receiving training at District III's expense and then not coaching for District III.

TEAM PLAQUE

- The plaque for good sportsmanship discussed last month will be presented to the deserving team.

Motion/Second to adjourn at 9:30 PM. **Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,

Marty Torres
District III Secretary