



# District III

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVED MEETING MINUTES March 7, 2005 AGM

The regular monthly District III Board of Directors meeting held at the District III office, 501 D2 30<sup>th</sup> St. NE, in Auburn was called to order at 7:03 PM.

Present were Commissioner Paige Harder, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Stu Snow, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP/Disciplinary Chair Warren Wheelock, VP Competition Bill Worden, VP Development Ken Vannice, Secretary Marty Torres, Treasurer Mollie Burns, Web Master/Scheduler Gerd Schmidt, Ethics Chair Jenny Silverton, AYSA MAR Linda Morgan, FWSA Alternate MAR Perry Woodford, GRJSA MAR/TOPSoccer Chair Alice Russell, HSA MAR David Marincovich, KYSA MAR Lucy Schuck, MRSA Alternate MAR Mark O'Brien, TPCJSA Alternate MAR Doug Andreassen. Unexcused: MpVSA MAR Gregg Downing, NarYSA MAR Steve Nelson. Guests present were Bobbi Lane, Carol Spurlock, Rich Sando, and Steve Buchanan. A quorum was present.

**Motion/Second** to approve the Feb. '05 minutes with the following corrections:

- HSA was in attendance and represented by their president John Dawson.
- Correct typo of "he" to "be" under MRSA report on page 3

**Motion passed.**

### OFFICERS' REPORTS

#### **COMMISSIONER PAIGE HARDER**

##### **Communications**

- The names of two candidates has been brought to the state committee searching for an Executive Director. The candidates' qualifications will be considered.
- Received a letter from the BU19 FC United requesting funds to travel to and compete at the Far West Regionals.

##### **Report**

- Attended the National Convention, workshops and special meetings

#### **1<sup>st</sup> VP STU SNOW**

##### **Report**

- Attended the National Convention, concentrating on mediation workshops
- Boundaries meeting Monday, March 14 at 7 PM, District office, committee members are needed; one from each association please.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> VP WARREN WHEELOCK**

##### **Report**

- Rules Committee- we will be making proposed changes in April
- Ethics Committee-Jenny Silverton is the chair. We are working on standardized procedures that any association addressing ethics issues can follow.
- Carol Spurlock will remain as Disciplinary Secretary
- National Convention-attended workshops; ethics and IDL meeting

#### **VP DEVELOPMENT KEN VANNICE**

##### **Report**

- I have not received any requests from any associations for coaches' clinic reimbursement. There is money in the District III budget for A, B, C or D and mod coaches' clinics. Submit a request for reimbursement detailing your cost through your associations.
- New York State West YSA tryout criteria.
- District III is going to purchase 10 copy of Sam Snow's mod training DVD
- District III will be involved in the new IDL lead
- Roberts Rules of Order defines plurality in votes cast as a majority.
- Need document control definition (title, date of update on all governing documents)
- Need to be invited to all associations to discuss team rankings after a procedure has been established.

## Handouts

- New York State West Youth Soccer Association technical assessment –(procedures to assess players for tryouts)

## **VP COMPETITION BILL WORDEN**

### Report

- **ADL/IDL (All District League/Inter District League)**
  1. Arrange teams in 4 regional divisions comprising of 10 teams for each division (40 teams).
  2. League play will consist of 9 games. Each team plays the other home or away one time.
  3. Divisions and rules will be managed by "sponsor" district as normal league play.
  4. League placement and awards based on 9 game season.
  5. Season ends on or before November 5
  6. League results (includes contact email and phone #) due to ADL scheduler November 7
  7. ADL presents game schedule November 8 and group emails to all contacts.
  8. Tournament divisions will consist of 6 divisions of 6 teams and 1 division of the bottom 4
  9. Tournament starts November 12.
  10. Thanksgiving weekend break?
  11. Resumes December 3

### Issues

1. How do we schedule these games? Do we take the week of November 12 off and finish December 17? If so could we play Sunday November 27<sup>th</sup>?
  2. Tournament seeding format is the winner of each division and the top 3 of four 2<sup>nd</sup> place and so on.
  3. Do we award winners of the tournament? Maybe give each team medals?
  4. Disciplinary in tournament conducted by home game "sponsor" district?
  5. Standard (ADL/IDL) rules?
  6. How do we select the 40 teams? What if 80 want in?
  7. Do we limit to U11 and U12 first season?
  8. Do winners of tournament divisions get Cup Byses or seeding?
- We need to discuss with Bill and Dave to see if this conflicts with the U11 development.

### **Based upon WSYSA exec brd mtg 2/10/05:**

1. District 3 as perennial host
2. Placement criteria includes post-LPT ranking tourney
3. Start league in mid-august; Sat/Wed games, "mid-season shuffle"

### **Based upon exec brd mtg 2/15/05:**

1. 2 divisions at each age group U14 – U16. Dist III will administer 1 div.
2. District 3 will administer disciplinary
3. Should we reconsider requiring out of dist teams to play Gold division?
4. For placement, use LPT results as primary criteria. This could cause increases in LPT participation. Reinstitution of mini lpt may be required. Team rank and scoring based upon U11 consideration.

- **VP Comp meeting with all Assns. 28 March (Mon) 7 – 9PM.**

1. POC list
2. Placement criteria for Fall League Divisions
3. VP Comp. Procedures
4. Scheduling issues
5. President's Cup
6. Information Systems

- **District III information systems**

1. Bonzi roll out
2. SAM On Line Registration Committee met February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2005 Meeting Recap:
3. The committee reviewed and received updated information on the Associations and Clubs signing up for SAM. The following is a percentage of associations/clubs by district that have requested sign up packets from Bonzi.  
District 1- 31%; District 2- 45%; District 3- 90%; District 4- 75%; District 5-70%;  
District 6- 70%; District 7- 80%

**Total Overall % of Member Organizations Participation 66%**

The committee decided our strategy over the next 90 days would be focus on bringing on board all the associations and clubs that are requesting sign up packets for SAM. Additionally, we will focus on meeting the deadline of 4/1/05 for the State modules integration to SAM.

- **DIII online scheduling, standings, disciplinary status by Gerd.**
  1. Major goal is team registration – online fee collection . Example was Pres Cup TAS.
  2. District III has prepared the entry forms for Bonzi to include online fee collection via Wells Fargo merchant account.

- **2005 US YOUTH SOCCER adidas WORKSHOP AND COACHES CONVENTION**

I had the following goals for the workshop/convention:

1. Meet with counterparts from within WSYSA and from other states. Establish contact information.
2. Attend workshop sessions. Concentration is on implementation of information systems for soccer administration.
3. Attend WSYSA functions and meetings scheduled to address ongoing issues and projects.

Friday, February 18

1. Exhibits 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
2. Education Sessions, Demonstrations 9:00am – 4:00 pm
3. Online Tournament Management and Automation Dave Fliegler and Dick Groendal
4. Online registration exhibits
5. Service Transformation (Part 1) Perry Alexander
6. President's Reception 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
7. Coach of the Year Dinner 7:30 pm – 10:00 pm
8. Hospitality Suite 10:00 pm – Midnight
9. WSYSA ADL meeting

Saturday, February 19

1. Exhibits 9:00 am – 4:00 pm...Exhibit Hall A (CC)
2. Education Sessions, Demonstration 9:00 am – 4:00p m.
3. Mediation & Dispute Resolution Fred Bieber
4. Service Transformation (Part 2) Perry Alexander
5. Is Your Web Site As Good As Your Organization Bill Hall
6. Dynamic Attacking Games April Heinrichs
7. adidas Party 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Exhibitors attended:

1. League One
2. Count Me In
3. Demosphere International
4. e7Sports
5. Logical Solutions, Inc. / Active Team Sports
6. Schafer Enterprises, Inc.
7. Youth Leagues USA
8. Cogran Systems

Sunday, February 20 - Depart via air 11AM (Influenza express)

### **TREASURER MOLLIE BURNS**

#### **Report**

- Waiting for taxes and audit to be returned from Dave Painton
- Opening an account for Bonzi activity
- Received payment from one NSF check

#### **Handouts**

- Monthly Financial Statements

## **APPOINTED CHAIR REPORTS**

### **SCHEDULER/WEB MASTER GERD SCHMIDT**

#### **Report**

- Have started changing the web site to web-based instead of DOS. This will require more information from all the Associations who will now need to assign team ID numbers and supply them as well as an e-mail addresses for team contact.
- I need a list of home games by club
- Am interested in knowing how we can help clubs and associations
- Need a list of whom to notify for changes
- Coaches will need to print their own schedules
- Considering online registration for Entry League Forms

**DISCIPLINARY CHAIR WARREN WHEELOCK no report**

**SCOREKEEPER CHAIR- JENNY SILVERTON-no report**

**ETHIC CHAIR- JENNY SILVERTON**

**Report-**

- Working on procedures

**TOPSoccer CHAIR- ALICE RUSSELL**

**Report-**

- TUSK TOPSoccer will be participating in the March 12 Championship Cup Game.
- TOPSoccer Coaches Summit- April 17 contact Alice if interested in attending
- Region IV TOPSoccer Coaches Symposium in Anaheim April 1

**MAR REPORTS**

**AYSA MAR LINDA MORGAN**

- Annual General Meeting was held; looking for volunteers for the Board
- 178 players for spring league for U5 to U8; 151 players for U9 and U10

**FWSA MAR PERRY WOODFORD**

- Submitted a list of the Board Members
- Federal Way provided two names for Warren's committees. Debbie Frazier and Jammie Hair.
- Federal Way has completed the Annual General Meeting and several changes are being made.
- Perry Woodford is now officially the president of FWSA. Jesse Hamashima has taken on the Presidency of Federal Way United with his promotion Darlin' Boudreau will be moving into the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP administration March 9th.
- More good news. One of our retired coaches is coming back and working with U11. He asked if he could get more involved by being the FWSA MAR. Steve will be joining us as MAR. Steve Buchanan, 253-661-7406, [sdbuchanan@comcast.net](mailto:sdbuchanan@comcast.net)
- 60 teams in spring league- need fields

**GRJSA MAR ALICE RUSSELL**

- Registering players for Spring League
- AGM was held in January

**HSA MAR DAVID MARINCOVICH**

- State tournaments were very good to HSA. We entered 18 teams. By the Quarter Finals we still had 8 left with two of our teams making it to the Finals. GU18 HSA Eagles are in the Commissioners Cup and BU15 HSA HEAT are in the Championship Cup.
- HSA hosted Semi-Finals ages BU & GU11 on February 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> . We hosted both BU & GU15 for the Commissioners Cup.
- HSA Tryouts begin on March 19, 2005. For further information times etc, [www.highlinesa.org/](http://www.highlinesa.org/)
- HSA has several openings on its Executive Board. VP/Admin, VP/Competition and Treasurer are up for election.
- Several by-law changes are also forthcoming including one to add the Association Registrar to the Executive Board as a voting member.
- Our AGM is April 13, 2005

**KYSA MAR LUCY SCHUCK**

- Our AGM was held on February 16<sup>th</sup> and was well attended.
- All age group tryouts listed on KYSA.org
- DOS 88, DOS 89, and SCFC '92 crew are in State Finals.

**MRSA ALTERNATE MAR MARK O'BRIEN**

- Wayne Braun has resigned as Mar; Rich Sando will be taking his place
- AGM was held last month

**TPCJSA MAR ALTERNATE MAR DOUG ANDREASSEN**

- AGM was held last month
- Plan for success will be moving forward
- We had 78 players that U11 tryouts

- May 15<sup>th</sup> is the Presidential Summit

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **CONSTITUTION CHANGES**

- **Motion/Second** to approve the proposed constitution changes sent out last month as amended. **Motion approved with one abstention. (Approved constitution can be found at the end of these minutes)**

### **SOCCKER FAIR TABLE**

- Email Paige if interested in sitting with District III

### **DISTRICT III OFFICE COPIER**

- If we decide to use the copier offered by the state office, we will need help moving it to the office

### **FAR WEST REGIONALS**

- **Motion/Second** to share \$2500 equally between any District III teams competing in the Far West Regional Tournament. **Motion passed.** Teams asking for a donation are requested to send a letter or email to Paige.

### **IDL**

- A new IDL league is in the process of being formed for teams that want a higher level of competition who do not want/ or do not qualify for State League
- A copy of the letter that will go in the **Play On!** can be found at the end of these minutes
- District III could run it or could opt out. A decision is needed
- There will be a meeting at Soccer Fair to discuss pros and cons

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ELECTIONS**

#### **Commissioner**

- Incumbent Paige Harder ran for re-election.
- Nominating Chair Ken Vannice called for nominations from the floor three times. No names were brought forward. Nominations from the floor were closed. **Motion/Second** to elect Paige Harder for Commissioner by acclamation. **Motion passed.**

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> VP**

- Appointed 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Warren Wheelock ran for election. Nominating Chair Ken Vannice called for nominations from the floor three times. No names were brought forward. Nominations from the floor were closed. **Motion/Second** to elect Warren Wheelock for 2<sup>nd</sup> VP acclamation. **Motion passed.**

#### **VP Competition**

- Appointed VP Competition Bill Worden ran for election. Nominating Chair Ken Vannice called for nominations from the floor three times. No names were brought forward. Nominations from the floor were closed. **Motion/Second** to elect Bill Worden for VP Competition by acclamation. **Motion passed.**

#### **Secretary**

- Bobbi Lane ran for Secretary. Nominating Chair Ken Vannice called for nominations from the floor three times. No names were brought forward. Nominations from the floor were closed. Bobbi spoke for a few minutes on her qualifications. **Motion/second** to elect Bobbi Lane for Secretary by acclamation. **Motion passed.**

## **FOR THE GOOD OF THE GAME**

- Paige thanked Marty Torres for serving for 6 years as District III Secretary.
- Stu handed out District III briefcases to the MARs to thank them for their volunteering time on behalf of District III.

**Motion/Second** to adjourn at 8:55 PM. **Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Marty Torres  
District III Secretary

# District III Constitution

## District III Constitution

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### Article I: Name and Duration

#### Section 1

The District III Soccer Association Inc., hereafter referred to as the "District", is a non-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Washington.

#### Section 2

The duration of this corporation shall be perpetual.

### Article II: Objectives and Purposes

#### Section 1

The objectives of the District are to:

- A. Promote and further develop the game of soccer.
- B. Organize and govern the game of soccer for youth within District III.
- C. Assign administrative responsibilities to member organizations.
- D. Establish uniform procedures and rules applicable to youth soccer competition in this District consistent with the principles and laws of the Federation International de Football Association (FIFA, the world-governing body for soccer), and those of United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA), and those of the United States Soccer Federation (USSF, the national governing body for soccer, affiliated with FIFA), and those of the Washington State Youth Soccer Association (WSYSA)
- E. Develop the game in non-affiliated areas within the District.
- F. Provide programs for membership as required.
- G. Administer and conduct District competitions as required
- H. Represent this District in all matters of organized youth soccer with regard to USYSA, USSF, WSYSA, and interested parties.
- I. Where conditions and circumstances prevent full compliance, the District shall effect deviations best suited to its own particular needs.

#### Section 2

The purpose of the District are educational and include the following:

- A. Teach and train players, coaches, and referees
- B. Teach through the game of soccer, sportsmanship, physical health and mental alertness.

### Article III: District Colors

#### Present Rule:

#### Section 1

The representative colors of the District shall be Kelly green and white.

### Article IV: Jurisdiction

#### Section 1

The District shall have jurisdiction over all its member organizations, including associations, clubs, teams as well as associated individuals, such as players, coaches, and administrators.

Article V: Affiliation

Section 1

The District shall be a member of the Washington State Youth Soccer Association (WSYSA), the United States Soccer Federation ("the Federation"), and the United States Youth Soccer Association.

Article VI: Finances

Section 1

The District is and shall be a non-profit organization. The District shall maintain its tax exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 2

Each Member Association desiring its own separate non-profit status (registered charitable organization) must obtain it independently from the State of Washington (Olympia) and the Internal Revenue Service.

Section 3

District III specifically disclaims financial responsibility for, and shall not assume nor be held liable for, the debts or the financial obligations, either expressed or implied, of any affiliated Association, club, or team, or of any of the coaches, managers, officers, officials, or members of any affiliated Association, club, or team.

Article VII: Administrative Authority

Section 1

The District III Executive Board and Board of Directors shall have the authority from time to time to issue policies or instructions necessary to interpret, clarify or further define the Bylaws, procedures and rules.

Article VIII: Membership

Section 1

The membership of the District shall consist of incorporated and unincorporated organizations engaged in youth soccer within the area designated as District III by WSYSA, which agree to be bound by the Bylaws, procedures, and rules of the District and which shall be admitted to membership in accordance with the Bylaws of the District.

Section 2

Individual players, coaches, trainers, managers, administrators and officials are members of the District through their association with said member organizations or with District committees, or as elected officers of the District.

Section 3

The District will not discriminate against any individual on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, or national origin.

Article IX: Administration

Section 1

The governing authority of the District shall be vested with the Council.

Section 2

The Council consists of the Executive Board and the Board of Directors.

Section 3

The Executive Board consists of the officers of the District.

Section 4

The Board of Directors shall be composed of one (1) Member Association Representative (MAR) from each Association.

Section 5

The District shall be governed by its Bylaws, procedures and rules.

Article X: Meetings

Section 1

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of all members of the District shall be held for the primary purpose of electing the Executive Board

Section 2

Meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Board are considered business meetings

and shall be called as defined in the Bylaws.

Section 3

All meetings of the District shall be conducted using the current edition of "Robert's Rules of Order" as a guide

Article XI: Amendments

Section 1

Purposed changes or amendments to this constitution can only be effected at the annual general meeting (AGM)

Section 2

Such proposed changes or amendments can be made by member associations, Association representatives, or elected officers of this District, and must be made in writing to the District Secretary at least 60 days prior to the AGM at which time they are to be acted upon.

Section 3

The District Secretary shall notify each member association representative and elected officer at least 30 days prior to the AGM by mailing out such changes or amendments to this constitution

Section 4

All approved changes or amendments shall be included in the AGM minutes.

## **Letter regarding IDL to be published in the *Play On!***

### **A New Twist for U14 – U16 Teams**

Are you a top level district team, but searching for something different? If your team will be playing U14 – U16 in the fall, and did not qualify for WSYL/WSYDL, don't despair. We've got a new *twist* on a new league that uses a unique new placement criteria. It is designed for those teams looking for a higher level of competition than may be available through current district leagues. An IDL (Inter-District League) has been formed. With permission from your Association, and District, any team may apply. League rules are being developed and will be similar to the current WSYL Rules of Competition. (For more information on IDL's see Rule 307 in your Administrative Handbook)

Here's the *twist* – acceptance into the league will be based on the fact that you participated in LPT's, Commissioner's or Championship Cup and a modified RPI (Rating Percentage Index) based on rankings of:

- 1 Your team's league standings from the previous year
- 2 Your opponents standings (rankings)
- 3 AND your opponent's opponents standings (rankings).

We believe the results will be a highly competitive league, with closer games.

Currently, Districts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7 are cooperatively planning and developing this league. We are hoping to field two divisions of eight teams in this inaugural season. The two divisions will be balanced from top to bottom to create parity between the divisions. Teams that qualify will be seeded into the league based on each individual team's RPI. It is hoped that the league will provide a much needed niche for top level teams striving to make WSYL, through balanced and competitive league play. More information will be posted on these District's websites in early April.

If you're at all interested, and are willing to travel to find good competition, you won't want to miss our session at Soccer Fair- **U14 – U16 IDL – A New Twist**. You will get a chance to interact with those running the league, and the teams you may compete with, ask questions, and get an even better feel of how this league will run. See you there!