



# District III

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## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVED MEETING MINUTES March 3, 2008**

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 7:10 pm.

Officers Present:     Stu Snow, Commissioner  
                              Bobbi Lane, 1<sup>st</sup> VP/Admin.  
                              Warren Wheelock, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP/Admin.  
                              Bill Worden, VP Competition  
                              Keith Vincent, VP Development  
                              Lucy Schuck, Secretary  
                              Kathy Chromy, Treasurer

MAR Present:         Alice Russell, GRJSA and TOPSoccer  
                              Perry Woodford, FWSA  
                              Jim Bader, HSA  
                              Lucy Schuck, KYSA  
                              Michael J. Milasich, NarYSA  
                              Tom Flynn, MpVSA  
                              Rich Sando, MRSA  
                              Andy Roberts, TPCJSA

Appointed Chair:     Gerd Schmidt, Schedule and Webmaster

Guests:                David Marincovich, HSA  
                              John Brock, NYSA  
                              Cesar Omiste, NYSA/NSC  
                              Doug Andreassen, WSYSA President

Absent:                 AYSA

**Motion/Second** to approve the January minutes without changes. **Motion passed.**

### **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

#### ***COMMISSIONER, STU SNOW***

- High school girls knee and ankle related injuries were down 2/3 over last year as reported from a survey taken in the Seattle School District.
- Coaching Education – Flyers are available from the Positive Coaching Alliance
- Field Development Application – Procedures for applying to WSYSA for funds for field development will be available online soon.
  - The WSYSA Board of Directors has established a Field Development Fund that is available to its member associations, provision members and clubs to assist in building, improving or remodeling soccer fields. Each application will need to be reviewed and recommended by the appropriate District Commissioner, submitted to the Budget and Finance Committee and the Executive Board for a

further review. WSYSA BOD approval will be required before any plan will be implemented. The WSYSA Board has reserved an aggregate \$400,000.00 for Field Development purposes. Recognizing that each need is different for each situation, there is currently no prescribed amount, terms or repayment, contribution amount, etc. Each application will be evaluated on its own merits.

- Membership – Player pass Policy Draft
- Zero Tolerance Against Abuse Draft
- MAR Attendance at District meetings – Attendance at all meetings is mandatory. A letter will be sent to the Association to deny voting at State AGM if not attending meetings.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP/ADMIN., BOBBI LANE**

- Attended appeals process workshop at National Convention. They had a “mock” appeal trial in which we grouped together to come up with our decision. There is also a good article written by Mary Warren in the Play On called “Understanding State Judicial Procedures.” Please encourage your coaches to read this so they will understand the appeals and protest process.
- Attended a workshop about reducing the drop out rate in youth soccer and received some interesting facts and heard many comments, thoughts and possible solutions. I have a hand out with some power point slides if anyone is interested.
- Balance of report will be given at next meeting.

**2<sup>ND</sup> VP/ADMIN., WARREN WHELOCK**

- No report.

**VP / COMPETITION, BILL WORDEN**

- CYL League 2007:
  - Girls spring session is underway. Kathy is distributing profits from hosting in 2005 and 2006.
  - Please continue to monitor the CYL website for updates at: <http://dnn.wsysa.com/cyl>
- Presidents Cup 2008:
  - Planning for 2008 has started. WSYSA has decided not to host state semi-finals as intended initially. Starfire is not available, so we need a large, hosted facility.
  - Semi-Finals (State Level) December 6-7, 2008. 8AM until 6PM. Consider having District host some preliminary round matches at Starfire November 15-16.
  - Treasurer and VP of Comp have outstanding reimbursement from WSYSA for 2006 tournament to address.
- District 3 League
  - Need to finalize our policy for GU15 and above spring league for 2008/2009.
  - Awards remaining for AYSA, NarYSA and MRSA.
- USYS: Activities attended by District 3 VP of Competition at National Convention.
- WSYSA: Championship Finals at Starfire venue. Schedule of games.
- Website
  - New ISP, domain: wsyad3.org. Officer pages are planned.

**VP / DEVELOPMENT, KEITH VINCENT**

- No report.

**TREASURER, KATHY CHROMY**

- Report passed out with balance sheet, profit/loss vs actual.
- 2007 books going in for independent review next month.
- Would like to hold a workshop for Association/Club Treasurers in either April or May. Date will be finalized next month.

**SECRETARY, LUCY SCHUCK**

- No report.

**SCHEDULER / WEBMASTER, GERD SCHMIDT**

- No scheduling at this time.
- New website is under development: usysad3.org

**DISCIPLINARY/ETHICS, WARREN WHEELOCK**

- No report.

**PROTEST/APPEALS, BOBBI LANE**

- There are no protests, so far, for the girls season.

**TOPSoccer, ALICE RUSSELL**

- TOPSoccer Symposium will be held April 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at Starfire. Please register and plan to attend.
- TUSK program has started.
- Tacoma program started March 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- South Hill program will start once they have enough volunteers.

**PDL COMMITTEE REPORT, PERRY WOODFORD**

- No Annual Report.

**MAR REPORTS**

**FWSA MAR, PERRY WOODFORD**

- No report.

**HSA MAR, JIM BADER**

- HPFC College Showcase Tournament held in January was successful. 35 college programs were represented with 45 coaches scouting.
- Elections are in April.
- Discussed ways to improve communication between recreation and premier clubs.

**GRJSA MAR, ALICE RUSSELL**

- AGM was in January. Same board was re-elected.
- Spring soccer begins 1<sup>st</sup> week of April up to U-10 age groups.
- Working on tryouts.

**KYSA MAR, LUCY SCHUCK**

- KYSA Sounders Game will be Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:15PM at French Field. Tickets will be \$8.00 presale or \$10.00 at the door. TOPSoccer will have a team or two during halftime. Sounders will be playing University of Washington.
- AGM was held February 27<sup>th</sup> at Kentridge High School. A new President, Wayne Jensen, was elected.
- Dosveedanya was asked to host the Washington Games Soccer Tournament at Starfire on July 30, 31, August 1, 2 in conjunction with Seafair. This is a U-11 thru U-18 tournament with the U-15 thru U-18 girls being a showcase.

**NarYSA MAR, MICHAEL J. MILASICH**

- No report.

### ***MpVSA MAR, TOM FLYNN***

- 240 kids attended this year's Winter Academy which ran four Fridays this winter.
- Tryout dates clarified.

### ***MRSA MAR, RICHARD SANDO***

- Had AGM at the end of January, but are still looking for a new President and a couple other positions to be filled.

### ***TPCJSA MAR, ANDY ROBERTS***

- First time all clubs within the association worked together to make tryouts run very smoothly this year. There were no friendlies, etc to conflict.

### ***AYSA MAR***

- Absent.

### ***OLD BUSINESS***

- Girls Spring Season – Last fall, had some coaches attempting to position girls to play on a fall district team, then move to premier team to play in the spring. District 3 should consider moving all girls district teams to align with State and play in the spring. Girls U19 hit especially hard by this move and several teams are folding. Discussion. PDL not doing a spring league for girls. CYL is playing in spring season. Many questions still about Presidents Cup, tournament scheduling, length of season, etc. Will be discussing and voting on this in May, so discuss within your Association.
- Doug Andreassen discussion comments:
  - Girls season was moved to spring because of two main issues 1) development of players, and 2) safety of girls/injuries.
  - Question: Any possibility of moving the girls games back up to 14 games per season? No. USSF directed a 10 game season to prevent burnout of athletes. Washington is the 5<sup>th</sup> largest state for soccer, so we are trying out the reduced number of games. There is the possibility that the boys will have a reduced season in the future as well. It is hard to fit in the 10 games with all vacations, spring break, Easter, Mothers Day, etc. before state cup play in May.

### ***NEW BUSINESS***

- The positions of 1<sup>st</sup> VP, VP Development and Treasurer are all up for election tonight.
  - No nominations were received before this meeting for any of the positions up for election.
  - Asked for nominations from the floor for the position of 1<sup>st</sup> VP. Hearing none, Bobbi Lane was reelected as 1<sup>st</sup> VP by acclamation.
  - Asked for nominations from the floor for the position of VP Development. Hearing none, Keith Vincent was reelected as VP Development by acclamation.
  - Asked for nominations from the floor for the position of Treasurer. Hearing none, Kathy Chromy was reelected as Treasurer by acclamation.
- There were no by-law or constitution changes.
- Question: Will all boys teams, U-15 and up at all levels, have player cards? Yes, with each players photo on it.
- District 3 does not seem to be the dominant force in state cup play that they have been in the past. Why? What should we do as a District to fix this? What can the District do to help your Association recreation program be strong?
- Interesting fact: The number of kids playing soccer has increased in the U-6 to U-10 age group in Washington because more are registering. Please communicate to your Associations and to your coaches the importance of making sure to have these younger kids get registered so they

are covered by insurance if anything should happen to them while they are playing. This will also protect the Association so you are not open to liability.

**“GOOD OF THE GAME”**

- David Marincovich was honored for his 35 years of devoted service.
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**Motion/Second** to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. **Motion passed.** Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 7th, 2008 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lucy Schuck  
District III Secretary