District III

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
May 3, 2010

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 7:00 pm.

Officers Present:	Warren Wheelock, Commissioner Wayne Jensen, 1st VP Administration Keith Vincent, VP Development Bill Worden, VP Competition Kathy Chromy, Treasurer Lucy Schuck, Secretary
MAR Present:	Robert Chinn, AYSA Perry Woodford, FWSA Alice Russell, GRJSA and TOPSoccer Jim Bader, HSA Tom Flynn, MpVSA Brian Eaton, MRSA Ray Moffatte Jr, TPCJSA
Appointed:	Gerd Schmidt, Schedule & Webmaster Scott Hatfield, Disciplinary
Absent:	Heather Moore, KYSA
Guests:	Scott Elston, President TUSK Hillary Beehler, WYSA Carlo DeSimone

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

OFFICERS' REPORTS

COMMISSIONER, WARREN WHEELOCK

- Oversight meeting notes from 4/24 were distributed along with Regional Club information.
- Minutes distributed from the Saturday, 5/1 Presidents/BOD meeting.
- State rules distributed. Please go through the State bylaws. There is much said about Associations and you may need to update your bylaws to be compliant with what the state changes are. Brian Eaton will send boilerplate bylaws he got from the state to Lucy who will forward to all.

1st VP/ADMINISTRATION, WAYNE JENSEN

- No report.

2ND VP/ADMINISTRATION, Vacant

VP DEVELOPMENT, KEITH VINCENT

- Meeting with Malia Arrant about clinics and education issues. Concerns about costs to host clinics. Will update after meeting.

VP / COMPETITION, BILL WORDEN

- MAR's update your VP of Comp / Registrar contact information so that an accurate email list can be developed before team registration and placement.
- Discussed CAP for District 3. It is a confusing term for both parents and players. How can be more clear from the state downward? Won't know how PDL or RCL will play out for awhile still.
- When will state publish which teams are in which leagues so that District can place teams? RCL still held up with PDL Administration
- Presidents Cup:
    - State Coordination:
        - Much discussion centered about tournament registration process. Consideration of ITSportsNet prototype for Presidents Cup registration.
- District 3 League:
    - Updoming VP Comp / Registration meeting will be held Monday, May 17th at the District 3 office. Email reminders will be sent.
- District 3 Competition/Development Considerations for Team Placement, Fall 2010:
    - Objectives are:
        - reduce placement revisions
        - quality of competition
    - District 3 seeks accurate placement of teams into divisions of strength and parity. This provides optimal conditions for team and player development. The VP's of Competition/Development, District or Association Reps should be directly involved in this process. These participants should be provided with information such as historical standings, league/division descriptions, and preliminary division placements. They should have opportunity and authority to accomplish their responsibilities to ensure teams are placed correctly. <u>This year we will be investigating utilizing WYSA CAP information to support objective strength measurements of teams.</u>
    - Registration Procedure:
        - May 17th is initial meeting of the VP Comps/Registrars to explain the team registration process. Gerd will explain the League Registration Module to participants. The module uses auto fill and pull down menus for team ID and division. Queries are available for review of teams sorted by age brackets, division and strength. Pairings and preferred field assignments are provided.
        - This year, District 3 will be supporting the prototype for an alternative information system as part of the WA Youth Soccer Technology Committee. The vendor, Affinity, has been selected for that prototype and will have representatives present at this meeting to describe the process.
    - Placement Procedure:
        - On August 1st, Associations/Clubs will no longer be able to make changes, only the scheduler may. The final divisions will be assigned by about August 4th.
        - Meeting of the VP's of Competition/Development or their designates to resolve final placement will be after the first week in August.
        - Requests for changes will come from the Association VP's of Competition/Development and not from the coaches. Requests for changes should be made before August 6th. On August 10th, these representatives will meet at the District 3 office and will resolve any placement problems. This meeting is not to develop the divisions, but rather to resolve the last and most difficult placements only. It is easier to move teams around when all parties are present.

        - The table (appendix) lists leagues/programs/divisions available for team placement in WSYSA for the upcoming season. It is currently out of date but will be updated as the leagues evolve.
    - Scheduling:
        - The schedules will be completed around August 20th and will be posted August 22nd.
        - First fall games will start September 7th & 8th.
        - We will consider how mid-season corrections might be implemented.
        - Conflicts with Presidents Cup are being addressed in various ways.
- Information Systems:
    - District 3 will be involved in prototyping of Information System with Affinity in parallel with current systems.
- 2010 US Youth Soccer Adidas Workshop:
    - Attended as VP of Comp. Report being prepared for June meeting.

TREASURER, KATHY CHROMY

- Profit & Loss distributed will have actual numbers only. All income from 2009 has been removed from the 2010 income statement. This is important, because we can see and know what actually taking in and what our actual expenses for 2010 will be. 2010 Budget also distributed. Already negative.
- Both CD's just renewed.
- 2009 taxes are complete. Executive board will be receiving a copy, please reply to Kathy when received. Can email Kathy if you would like to request a copy.
- Looking for volunteers to form a Finance Committee to oversee and assist Treasurers. This would also include developing controls for the District, Associations and Clubs. Next Treasurer's meeting will be in July.
- District 3 website will have a "Finance" tab added which will have resources for your treasurers.
- State awards dinner will be held in July this year, and will be separate from the AGM. Exact date has not been set yet.
- WSYSA District Funding Check - $7,932.75 total. Breakdown by Association @ .35 per player as follows:

Highline Soccer Association	3374	.35	$1,180.90
Kent Youth Soccer Association	1603	.35	$561.05
Federal Way Soccer Association	1554	.35	$543.90
Auburn Youth Soccer Association	920	.35	$322.00
Maple Valley Soccer Association	1422	.35	$497.70
Mount Rainier Soccer Association	2300	.35	$805.00
Narrows Youth Soccer Association	755	.35	$264.25
Greater Renton Jr Soccer Assn	2185	.35	$764.75
Tacoma-Pierce County JSA	8552	.35	$2,993.20

- **Motion/Second** (Woodford/Vincent). District retain this money to balance Presidents Cup losses this year. Discussion. District costs for Presidents Cup this year ran $9,000 over what was budgeted. **Motion Failed**. Money will be distributed to Associations.
- IRS 501c3 Workshop for Small mid-sized non-profit organizations: Information at http://www.irsworkshops.eventsdesigner.com/
- Will be showing a short presentation at next months meeting about implementing respect in your referee program. Copies from National Convention will be available for all.
- **Motion/Second** (Chromy/Woodford) Any expense over $1,000 using District 3 money needs approval of the District 3 Executive Board. Discussion. Are we discussing purchase orders? No. Prior approval is necessary for all purchases over $1,000. This was also discussed in detail last month. **Motion Passed**.

SECRETARY, LUCY SCHUCK

- Please remember to sign in or you will be counted absent.
- Remember to email your written monthly reports for the minutes.
- Have received Keith's official resignation from the position of 2nd VP of Administration.

SCHEDULER / WEBMASTER, GERD SCHMIDT

- Need to decide if we will be changing our season to 12 weeks instead of 14 weeks. Started to talk about this in Jan/Feb, but need to decide shortly since teams will be forming in the next couple of months. **Motion/Second (**Moffatte/Peters) Move that District 3 schedule be changed from a 14 game season to a 12 game season for 2010-2011. Discussion. Helps to have room for rescheduling games, especially with Presidents Cup games going on at same time. Field and referee request pressures will be lessened. Flexibility. Byes may reduce number of games even more. Can try to add in an extra game at end if necessary. Fees will not be reduced since all pay only $50 to register anyways. US Club has 10 game season. **Motion/Second** (Eaton/Woodford) Table motion until May meeting. **Motion Passes**.

DISCIPLINARY, SCOTT HATFIELD

- No disciplinary since off season for all but Mod/Rec leagues.
- Have a great committee who works hard behind the scenes.
- All players have the right to come before the committee and discuss their situation. Most times, once talk to players, never see them again. It's an intimidating thing for a player to have to do.
- Not very generous with the coaches who come before committee. They are held to high standards.
- MARs have access to the system to see the cards accumulated. Each Association should have a representative identified for committee duty every 3 weeks.

ETHICS, WARREN WHEELOCK

- No report.

PROTEST/APPEALS

- No report.

TOPSoccer, ALICE RUSSELL

- Need name & contact information from each Association by our June meeting. Will have meeting with these representatives to discuss how more TOPSoccer groups can be formed in District 3.
- The rep should be willing to get the word out in their community and make the rounds to promote the program.
- At the moment, just have the TUSK and Tacoma programs operating. Would like to see more.
- Sent Marty to the Region 4 Summit meeting. Here is her report:
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PDL COMMITTEE REPORT, PERRY WOODFORD

- The PDL / Regional Club Committee are working through a transition process, schedule and controlling documentation.
- RC Committee identified but working under PDL Committee. Very transitional at the moment. There are 5 club presidents, 6 DoC's, administrators now working on going forward.

REC COMMITTEE REPORT

- No report.

MAR REPORTS

AYSA MAR, ROBERT CHINN

- No report.

FWSA MAR, PERRY WOODFORD

- Updated contact list turned in.

HSA MAR, JIM BADER

- Annual report not submitted yet. Will be in next few days.

GRJSA MAR, ALICE RUSSELL

- TUSK hosting jamboree tournament June 11-13 for U7-U10 called the TUSK Stomp. For information and to register go to: http://www.tusksoccer.org/frameset/php
- SCORE hosting 6-a-Side Tournament in July. Information can be found at http://www.scoresoccerclub.org/frameset.php
- E Clinic (Full) coming up 5/14-5/15.

KYSA MAR, HEATHER MOORE - Absent

- Kent Cornucopia Cup Tournament back under old leadership team. Dates are 7/8 – 7/11.
- Tryouts almost completed.
- Kent United teams have tripled in size within the last 12 months.
- Hoping to host E and D Clinics in August.

MpVSA MAR, TOM FLYNN

- Tryouts complete.
- Board has spent much time working on the 2010 budget.
- Sooner the state gets information out, the sooner we can react.
- Response about the 12 game District 3 season – no real reaction, so should be fine.

MRSA MAR, BRIAN EATON

- Applied to host the following clinics:
    - E Clinic - Enumclaw 7/16-7/18
    - D Clinic - 6/18-6/20 and 6/25-6/27

TPCJSA MAR, RAY MOFFATTE JR.

- No report.

OLD BUSINESS

- 12 game District 3 League discussed. Most all Associations discussed issue at meetings. **Motion/Second** (Woodford/Moffatte). Move to change the 14 game schedule to 12 games with Recreation staying at 10 for 2010/2011 seasonal year. Discussion. **Motion Passed**. There will be a 12 game District 3 season this year.

NEW BUSINESS

- Scott Elston – State Diversity Program called “Soccer Across Washington” to allow any individual to play soccer without regard to color, race, creed, etc. Question: Is the intent of the program to have Associations/Districts take over eventually? Yes. Various reasons why kids and pupulations do/don’t play within WSYS and Associations.
- Hillary Beehler – Many questions were asked.

    - Proposed calendar can be sent out. Comments by May 10th to Hillary@wsysa.com. Effects season from Thanksgiving through June.
    - Cup qualifying – define what is meant by that? Discussion.
    - When will state league placements be available? Not having this information before tryouts is very frustrating to deal with for Districts, Associations, Clubs, all the way down to parents and their players. Should be more timely.
- Warren appointed Bill Worden as VP of Competition for the remainder of his term. Passed.
- 2nd VP of Administration. Two people are interested in the position – Perry Woodford and Scott Hatfield. Table for one month.

GOOD OF THE GAME

- Keith Vincent wants to know if Associations will be decreasing fees because of the reduced number of games for the District 3 league. If not, why not?
- Thanks to everyone for coming to the meeting. Have almost 100% attendance.

Motion/Second to adjourn at 9:13 p.m. **Motion passed.** Next regular BOD meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the District 3 office.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucy Schuck
District 3 Secretary

APPENDIX 1

VP COMPETITION REPORT - District III Sanctioned Leagues

Type	Level	League	Level of Play	Divisions	Description
2010 Fall League					
WYSA State League	Premier	WYSSL	Premier		BU13 -19 GU13 - 14
IDL	Premier	PDL	Club based	PDL Division	U9-U17
IDL	Competitive	District III	Gold	Titanium	BU11, GU11 MOD
IDL	Competitive	District III	Gold	Platinum	BU11, GU11 MOD
IDL	Competitive	District III	Gold	Emerald	BU11, GU11 MOD
IDL	Competitive	District III	Gold	Klondike	BU11, GU11 MOD
IDL	Competitive	District III	Silver	Diamond	BU11, GU11 MOD
IDL	Competitive	District III	Silver	Sapphire	BU11, GU11 MOD
IDL	Competitive	District III	Silver	Ruby	BU11, GU11 MOD
Local	Recreational	District III	Recreation	Bronze	BU11, GU11 MOD
Local	Recreational	District III	Recreation	Copper	BU11, GU11 MOD
IDL	Competitive	District III	Gold	Titanium	BU12 -19, GU12 - 19
IDL	Competitive	District III	Gold	Platinum	BU12 -19, GU12 - 19
IDL	Competitive	District III	Gold	Emerald	BU12 -19, GU12 - 19
IDL	Competitive	District III	Gold	Klondike	BU12 -19, GU12 - 19
IDL	Competitive	District III	Silver	Diamond	BU12 -19, GU12 - 19
IDL	Competitive	District III	Silver	Ruby	BU12 -19, GU12 - 19
IDL	Competitive	District III	Silver	Sapphire	BU12 -19, GU12 - 19
Local	Recreational	District III	Recreation	Bronze	BU12 -19, GU12 – 19
Local	Recreational	District III	Recreation	Copper	BU12 -19, GU12 - 19
2010 Spring League					
WYSA State League	Premier	WYSSL	Premier		GU15 - 19

APPENDIX 2

TOPSoccer Report to District III – Marty Torres **May 2010**
Region IV TOPSoccer Symposium and Committee Meeting

SYMPOSIUM

Beth Fox, Operations Manager for the National Sports Center for the Disabled, presented "Let's Play". She shared ideas on working with players with TBI, CP, Spina Bifida, Amputation and Limb deficiency, Deafness and Hard of Hearing, Blindness and Partially Sighted, Autism, Developmental disorders, Asperger's and seizures. Most were common sense ideas, but quite a few were new ideas and very helpful. She also spoke on collaborating with the parents and caregivers, respect for everyone, medications, setting the players up for success, communication and coaching. This was the most informative presentation I have heard. New ideas to assist coaches and players are:

- Hemiplegia- paralysis on one side
- CP- brain injury less than 2 years old, otherwise is a TBI
    - Can't understand higher level of cognition
    - Can't express higher level of thought
    - Muscle groups can have uneven strengths from different sides of the body- example- one leg or arm significantly stronger than the other
- Don't be afraid to ask them about their disability and how things work for them
- Amputation and Limb Deficiency- Van Ness Turnaround- one leg is turned around, ankle now serves as a knee when using prosthesis. Protect limbs, the non-weight bearing limb can break easily due to osteoporosis
- 2/200 is legally blind
- Spina bifida and spinal cord injury-assume all have allergy to latex-very common

Several of the attendees spoke to Dr. John Thomas, assistant US Youth Director of Coaching Education, and Bob Riggs, US Youth TOPSoccer Chair, asking Beth to speak at the National Convention.

Jo Burns, Certified Therapeutic Recreational Specialist, was our second speaker. She spoke on coaching techniques for players with Autism, ADD and ADHD. The demonstration she used for understanding response time and how to transition players into a different activity were especially helpful. New information from Jo Burns:

- ADHD- can be as impulsive as ASD
- Ask parents what to look for to stop and impending meltdown
- Ask parents about the players favorite things or what motivates them
- Find out what is typical and atypical
- Interrupter activity- play a different game they know, non soccer, tag, duck, duck, goose, etc. to regroup and refocus.
- Transitioning- tell player he or she may continue what they are doing but have only 5 minutes, then going on to something else, then they have 2 minutes, then one.
- Google adaptive stores for equipment, etc.

The AAI information presented was helpful but I had already decided to incorporate the release into the liability included in online registration. This presentation confirmed for me that it is crucial to get the parents to be responsible for the screening of AAI.

REGION IV MEETING

TOPSoccer Coaching Course – How Do We Increase the # Conducted and Discussion of 2010 Symposium

Improving symposia would also increase the numbers of coaching courses conducted. The suggestions included:

- Include a game where neither buddies nor coaches are participating.
- Use the symposia participants as buddies. If there are more participants than needed, have someone explaining what is happening to the "audience". This would be the third component of the field session.
- It is important for the participants to be an active part of the field session.
- Perhaps create a module specifically for blind/partially-sighted and deaf/hard of hearing.
- Wireless microphone for coaches during field session
- People want new items and/or topics every year to so they want to attend the symposium.
- Every state could send ppts or pictures of their players to show during registration.
- Incorporate an instructor's course at the end of the US Youth course. Important to inform DoC's and Technical Directors of instructors course after the symposium. This will help with the need for more instructors.
- Could have a break-out with groups who then report on buddies, admin, coaching.
- Supply a list of players, their jersey numbers and disabilities for the field session.
- Have one disability group show up at one time to observe.
- Speakers on specific disability.
- School counselors can print out sign language for us.
- Film of activities.
- Rent wheelchairs so participants can demo a wheelchair session.
- DoC's and Technical Directors identify and send potential instructors to symposia. It is critical for instructors to attend the entire symposium for them to understand the full scope of the course.
- Include TOPSoccer in youth modules to introduce it to more coaches and to recruit more coaches.
- Have buddies attend symposium for input and their own education.
- Could have a brief overview of "How to Start a TOPSoccer Program" then refer participants to their state chair.

Review of TOPSoccer Presentations – 2010 USYS Workshop

- Tom Hart was great but the same material was presented.
- US Youth has the same issues that we have for the symposia; they need to present beginning, intermediate and advanced topics.
- We need more choice of topics.
- We should all suggest topics to US Youth at the National Convention

TOPSoccer Activities at 2010 RIV Presidents Cup – John Hanna

- John handed out a flyer with information. Presidents Cup will feature a TOPSoccer Showcase on June 17th.
- There will be shooting, passing, dribbling stations and a scrimmage.
- Contact John for more details.

2010 RIV Fall Workshop-Denver, CO – Possible TOPSoccer Topics

Send topic ideas to Ray/Sandy

2011 USYS Workshop-Louisville, KY – TOPSoccer Presentation's Ideas

Send topic ideas to Ray/Sandy

Open Discussion

- National Symposium-
- Could this be held during the National Coaches Convention?

- Could use monies earmarked for regional symposia for hosting a National Symposium, especially if it is held in 2013 when the National convention is held in Region IV.
- It would be helpful to have a National TOPSoccer Symposium every four years.
- Washington Youth Soccer is changing their picture release and medical liability release. When parents sign up online, they can opt out for the picture release but agree that it is their responsibility to inform the official photographer that they don't want their child(ren)'s picture taken. For the medical liability release it says that the parents are responsible for having their child's physician give permission for them to participate. No AAI form will need to be filled out.