

**MINNESOTA YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors' (BOD) Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by MYSA President Bob Poretti at 1:35 p.m.

Present: Kelley Casey, Don Cox, Dave Ericson, Susan Farbo, Urule Igbavboa, Peter Jarnstrom, Roberta Kruse, Tom Lawrence (telephone), Mark Mahowald (telephone), Steve May, Tom Moriarty (telephone), Aaron Nelson (telephone), Bob Poretti, Diana Potter and Scott Selby

Regrets: None

Guests: Candace Daley, MYSA Executive Director and Shelly Orr, MYSA Director of Member Services

Since Potter was going to be arriving late, Daley was appointed Secretary Pro Tem.

Agenda

The agenda was approved as amended.

Approval of Minutes

The January BOD Meeting Minutes were approved as submitted.

Correspondence

Poretti stated that correspondence consisted of East Select Soccer's appeal of the tournament sanctioning deadline and U.S. Soccer Federation grievance communication.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report: Attached. Lawrence stated that income and expenses are in line and that he doesn't anticipate any problems.

Officer Reports

President's Report: Attached.

Vice President's Report: Attached.

Development Director's Report: Attached.

Competitive Director's Report: Attached.

Recreation Director's Report: Attached.

Tournament Director's Report: Attached.

SYRA's Report: Attached.

East District Member Representative's Report: Attached.

North District Member Representative's Report: Attached.

Northwest District Member Representative's Report: No Report Received.

South District Member Representative's Report: No Report Received.

Southwest District Member Representative's Report: Attached.

West District Member Representative's Report: No Report Received.

Staff Report

Executive Director's Report: Attached. Daley gave a brief update on the status of the Manager of Programs position.

U.S. Soccer Federation Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Poretti and Ericson gave a report on the recent US Soccer Federation AGM held in New Orleans February 5 & 6, 2010.

Winter Symposium

Daley gave a recap of MYSA's Annual Winter Symposium held February 6, 2010 at the Minneapolis Convention Center and asked board members who attended the Symposium to provide feedback.

Club Request to Redistrict

Kruse said the Competitive Committee heard a request from Twin Cities Fire Soccer Club to move from the East District to the North District. *On behalf of the Competitive Committee, Kruse moved to grant Twin Cities Fire Soccer Club's request to move from the East District to the North District, no second required.* Discussion followed. *Casey moved, Jarnstrom seconded, to table the matter until a future date. The motion failed.* Discussion followed. *The original motion failed.*

Casey moved, Jarnstrom seconded, to have the MYSA Member Representatives form a working group to address possible re-districting. The motion passed. Poretti asked Casey to chair the working group and asked that Kruse be included since she is the Competitive Director.

MYSA Appointments

Moriarty presented 2010 Minnesota State Cup Referee Assignor bids from M & D Sports and Tina Schwach. Discussion followed. *Igbavboa moved, Kruse seconded, to appoint Tina Schwach as the 2010 Minnesota State Cup Referee Assignor. The motion passed.*

Tournament Sanctioning

Moriarty presented a list of tournaments for sanctioning. *Moriarty moved, Igbavboa seconded, to approve the list of tournaments submitted in Moriarty's report for sanctioning.* Discussion followed. *The motion passed.*

Complaint Timeline Policy

Poretti and Daley presented new policy language that would put in place timelines for all of those involved in the complaint process. *Jarnstrom moved, Igbavboa seconded, to approve the language as submitted.* Discussion followed. *The motion passed.*

US Soccer Federation Grievance

Poretti gave an update on the recent US Soccer Federation grievance decision and US Youth Soccer Association and its 55 state associations' satisfaction with the favorable outcome.

International Tournament Player Passes

Poretti presented new policy language about the future handling of player passes for international tournaments that are not sanctioned by the Minnesota Youth Soccer Association, US Youth Soccer or any US Youth Soccer state association. Discussion followed. *Casey moved, Igbavboa seconded, to approve the language with noted changes. The motion passed.*

US Youth Soccer Workshop

Poretti reminded those attending the Workshop that the dress attire for the Awards Gala is business dress/formal. Ericson reminded everyone that they may donate items received at the Workshop to the TOPSoccer end-of-the-year party, if they wish.

U.S. Soccer Federation World Cup Bid Support

Poretti stated that he would like to recommend that the Minnesota Youth Soccer Association give the U.S. Soccer Federation \$1,000 to support the World Cup bids for 2018 and 2022.

Budget Amendments

Daley stated there are two items requiring budget amendments: 1) World Cup Bid Support and 2) Tom Moriarty's State Cup Expenses. Daley stated where those funds could come from in the current budget. Discussion followed.

Ericson moved, Selby seconded, to approve the amount of \$1,000 to support the World Cup bids for 2018 and 2022. The motion passed.

Ericson moved, Jarnstrom seconded, to approve the amount of \$6,000 for Tom Moriarty's State Cup expenses for 2010. The motion passed. Abstain: Moriarty.

New Club Application(s)

Orr presented Somerset's new club application for provisional approval, stating that all requirements but one had been met. Discussion followed. *Lawrence moved, Igbavboa seconded, to approve Somerset's new club application with provisional status as long as the remaining requirement is met by March 1, 2010. The motion passed.*

Igbavboa moved, Jarnstrom seconded, to place the Somerset club in the East District. The motion passed.

Entered Executive Session at 3:45 p.m.

Left Executive Session at 4:00 p.m.

For the Good of Soccer

Jarnstrom stated that he received a concern from the Mankato club that Region II ODP camps and MYSA League Playoffs overlap.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Minutes submitted by
Candace Daley, MYSA Executive Director

Treasurer Report

Submitted by Thomas Lawrence
Board of Directors Meeting
February 13, 2010
Data as of January 31, 2010

The following table represents the Income and Expenses for the time periods noted

	Current Month	YTD	YTD Last Year	Annual Budget
Total Revenue	\$43,521	\$702,604	\$621,967	\$2,577,280
Total Expenses	\$113,524	\$746,855	\$876,981	\$2,639,554
Net Income	\$-70,003	\$-44,251	\$-252,014	\$(62,276)

Revenues continue ahead of last year on a YTD basis thanks to a very strong fall turnout. Expenses are substantially less because of the lack of attorney expenses for the litigation.

Current Assets are \$658,331 compared to \$352,929 last year. Accounts Receivable are \$-14,025 compared to last year at \$-12,098 which means that clubs have paid in advance. Our checking account stands at \$76,739 which is reasonable given our cash needs. We did have to move money out of our savings to cover current expenses.

These are the outstanding receivables:

	60-90 days	90-120 days	+ 120 days	Total
Clubs:				
Lakeville Soccer Club	\$162.50			\$264.42
Organizations:				
Soccer USA			\$8,180.00	\$8,180.00
Vantage Sports Performance			\$78.69	\$81.69
Varsity Sports Communications			\$841.95	\$874.06
Individuals:				
Last Month, \$15,448.50 (\$1,905*)				\$15,028.50

Note: When the total is larger than the dollars stated for 60-90 and 90-120 days, that means that there are current and 30-60 day charges that have not been paid.

Of the \$15,028.50, \$1,905 is from previous years.

President Report

Submitted by Bob Poretti
Board of Directors Meeting
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Correspondence:

- Usual USSF correspondence.
- Letters from candidates.

Meetings and Visits:

- Wednesday – January 13 - Met with Candace Daley to review MYSA status and sign checks.
- Monday – January 18 – Met with Paula Hildman and Ben O'Brien to discuss State Referee Committee audit.
- Thursday – January 21 – Attended the National Sports Center Summit meeting to learn about their new professional team.
- Wednesday – Wednesday – January 27 - Met with Candace Daley to review MYSA status and sign checks.
- Wednesday – Wednesday – February 3 - Met with Candace Daley to review MYSA status and sign checks.
- Thursday – February 4 through Sunday – February 7 – Along with Dave Ericson, represented MYSA at the USSF AGM.
- Wednesday – Wednesday – February 10 - Met with Candace Daley to review MYSA status and sign checks.

Vice President Report

Submitted by Dave Ericson

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Correspondence

- USSF and other national e-mail correspondence
- State e-mail correspondence, including TOPSoccer

Meetings

- Attended the BOD Meeting January 9, 2010
- Chaired TOPSoccer Meetings January 12 and February 9, 2010
- Attended SAM meeting on January 27, 2010
- Attended USSF AGM with Bob Poretti February 5-6, 2010

Activities

- Start developing national TOPSoccer contacts
- Research into requirements for a foundation
- Began rewrite of MYSA Risk Management web page
- Worked on getting an outside article regarding risk management for *Soccer Times*

Future Activities

- Continue review of MYSA Rules Manual
- Work on an MYSA Policy Manual regarding hearings
- Attend US Youth Soccer Workshop February 26-27, 2010

Development Director Report

Submitted by Aaron Nelson

Board of Directors Meeting

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Correspondence:

- Board of Directors, ODP, PACT, Coaching Schools, Development Committee, US Youth Soccer

Meetings and Visits:

- 1/22/2010: Director's of Coaching Meeting
- 2/6/2010: MYSA Winter Symposium

Competitive Director Report

Submitted by Roberta Kruse

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Correspondence:

- Responded to club e-mails
- Made several calls to clarify e-mail questions

Meetings and Visits:

- Chaired Competitive Committee Meeting 1/9/2010
- Attended Board Meeting 1/9/2010

Recreation Director Report

Submitted by Scott Selby
Board of Directors Meeting
February 13, 2010

Meetings and Visits:

- Recreation Committee met on January 20th, 2010
- Email with correspondence with several clubs regarding Rec Plus programming.

Programs & Issues:

- Winter Symposium attendance by all committee members: Blaine Soccer Club presenting with Q & A afterward. Meeting was well attended and the new grant program was announced
- Calendar of Kohl's American Cup published by US Youth Soccer; need to verify Northfield's bid to repeat as host or find alternative venue

Tournament Director Report

Submitted by Tom Moriarty

Board of Directors Meeting

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1. MYSA Affiliate Member Invitational Tournaments

- a. There are 55 affiliates who have submitted applications to host invitational tournaments in 2010. 46 tournaments have completed their sanctioning process. The remaining tournaments will be reviewed for approval on 13 March 2010 by the Board of Directors. Listed below are the 7 Invitational tournaments received since the last board meeting.

Centennial Challenge Cup (CNS)	MYSA-Only	17 – 18 April 2010
Runnin' with the Wolves (CTG)	National	7 – 9 May 2010
Eagan Future Stars (EAG)	MYSA-Only	7 – 9 May 2010
Forest Lake 2010 Tournament (FLK)	MYSA-Only	5 – 7 June 2010
Coon Rapids Annual Invitational-Boy's -- Silver Anniversary (CRA)	National	21 - 23 May 2010
New Ulm Hermann's Cup (NUS)	MYSA only	19 – 20 June 2010
Coon Rapids Annual Invitational-Girl's -- Silver Anniversary (CRA)	National	25 – 27 June 2010

2. 2009 US Youth Soccer Minnesota State Cup

- a. Held the 2010 US Youth Soccer Minnesota State Cup Informational meeting during the MYSA Winter Symposium. We had a total of 53 managers and coaches in attendance.
- b. The 2010 US Youth Soccer Minnesota State Cup registration deadline will be 5:00 PM CST, 5 March 2010.
- c. The 2010 US Youth Soccer Minnesota State Cup Mandatory Coaches will be held on 13 March 2010

3. I would like to personally acknowledge the tremendous performance of Kelli Donohoo, MYSA Manager of Programs. Kelli has left the MYSA family but her contributions in key MYSA events such as the US Youth Soccer Minnesota State Cup, US Youth Soccer Kohl's America Cup, and MYSA U9/U10 Jamboree will be greatly missed. The success and annual improvements in these events are attributed to Kelli's ability to work with administrators, managers, parents and coaches in delivering the best possible environment for youth soccer players in Minnesota. Kelli you have made a great impact on Minnesota Youth Soccer and on behalf of the State Cup Committee and all the members you have assisted over the last five years we thank you.

State Youth Referee Administrator Report

Submitted by Urule Igbavboa

Board of Directors Meeting

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Meetings:

- January 9, 2010: MYSA Board of Directors
- January 16, 2010
MYSA referee mentor coordinators
Minnesota State Referee Committee
- February 3, 2010: Education Committee
- February 6, 2010: MYSA Winter Symposium
- February 7, 2010: Minnesota State Referee Committee

Other activities:

- Wrote article for Parents for Education Committee

East Member Rep. Report
Submitted by Mark Mahowald
Board of Directors Meeting
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Activities since January, 2010 board meeting:

- Assisted clubs with petition questions
- Facilitated & attended East District Meeting for January, 2010
- Attended State Cup Committee Meeting via phone
- Participated in the MYSA Board of Director meeting in January

North Member Rep. Report

Submitted by Kelley Casey

Board of Directors Meeting

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January 10, 2009 – February 12, 2010

Administrative:

- Responded to Emails
- Trying to schedule North District Meeting
- Contacted interested North Boys Directors
- Read Formal Appeal from East Select Soccer that I received in the mail.

Southwest Member Rep. Report

Submitted by Peter Jarnstrom

Board of Directors Meeting

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Meetings:

- January 9, 2010: MYSA Board of Directors
- January 16, 2010
MYSA referee mentor coordinators
Minnesota State Referee Committee
- February 6, 2010: MYSA Winter Symposium
- February 7, 2010: Minnesota State Referee Committee

Other activities:

- Wrote article for March issue of *Soccer Times*
- Continued planning for 2010 MYSA referee mentor program

Executive Director Report

Submitted by Candace Daley

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Administrative

- MYSA Annual Winter Symposium held February 6, 2010, had a record-high attendance with more than 300 administrators and coaches; this is up from 180 participants the previous year
- Ongoing preparation for ODP, Player Development Camps, State Cup, Summer League, Summer Jamboree, Recreation programming, etc.
- Continued program work for TOPSoccer and Soccer Start
- Continue to answer phone calls and emails from club members; at the request of club members, attend club meetings
- Sent email to MYSA Member Club Presidents, DOCs, Board members and Staff members regarding the arbitrator's decision on the USSF Grievance Hearing
- Worked with MYSA board and staff members to secure flight arrangements for those attending the US Youth Soccer Workshop in Texas at the end of February
- Attended January Board of Directors' Meeting
- Attended January Competitive Committee Meeting
- Attended February TOPSoccer Meeting
- Co-presenter at Chivas club meeting on February 7, 2010
- Participated in conference call with University of Notre Dame, MYSA Education Committee Chair Rita DiRico and MYSA Director of Member Services Shelly Orr to continue discussion about future goals/objectives for PACT
- Sponsors/Partners – Met with representatives from Club's Choice and Soccer USA

Financial/Budget

- Final follow up for the annual audit
- Ongoing preparation for the 2010-2011 (final) and 2011-2012 (preliminary) budget cycles; staff members were asked in January to review budget areas they are responsible for and to report recommended changes by end of February

Personnel

- Kelli Donohoo's (former MYSA Manager of Programs) last day was February 11, 2010
- First-round interviews for the MYSA Manager of Programs position were conducted the week of February 8th; two candidates have been invited back for a second interview the week of February 15th
- Mid-year reviews for staff members are being conducted during the weeks of February 8th and February 15th

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Coaching and Player Development (John Curtis and Andy Coutts)

- NSCAA Convention in Philadelphia – John and Andy
- Development Committee Meeting – John and Andy
- MSHSSCA Meeting - John
- Meeting with Development Director - John
- PACT – MPB, 20 coaches - John
- ODP – Winter Training, Jan 10, 17 (50 girls 35 boys) 1994-1996 age groups - John
- Preparation for Winter Symposium – John and Andy
- Equipment/Field/Goal grants awarded (\$1000-\$1500) to 22 clubs - John
- USSF National “C” License July 31 – August 8, 2010 – details on the website - John
- Attended USSF ‘A’ Course in Tampa - Andy
- US Youth Technical Director meeting - Andy
- ‘E’ Course (Champlin) – 44 coaches - Andy
- PACT STM – 25 coaches - Andy
- Met with MPB, BLA, TNK, SMA, CCH - Andy
- ODP preparation - Andy

League Operations (Ranae Orr)

- Attended January Competitive Committee Meeting
- Attended Northwest District meeting and held a registrars training on January 17th
- Approved 37 travel notifications
- Coordinated and sent out new passwords for both MYSA and McDowell Agency to MYSA member club officials
- Registered 128 teams so far for summer 2010 season
- Put together trend data for the Winter Symposium and Northwest District State Tournament participation
- Prepared materials for Registrars Training at the Winter Symposium

Member Services (Shelly Orr)

- Processed final updates to PACT PowerPoint, video and presenter manuals and distributed to all presenters for the 2010 season.
- Coordinated materials and processing for PACT seminars held in January 2010
- Onsite distribution of PACT athlete surveys at Eden Prairie Dome Jan. 3, 5 and 6th and ongoing pick up of completed surveys throughout the month of January
- Attended the Jan. 22, 2010 Development Committee meeting and participated in the selection of Equipment and Goal Grant recipients for 2010
- Phone conference with Notre Dame on Jan. 29, 2010 regarding ongoing research and support
- Attended Education Committee meeting on Feb. 2, 2010 - discussion of budget and updates to player, parent and administrative web pages
- Continued to communicate with potential Soccer Start clubs
- Winter Symposium – final preparation; co-presented two seminars and attended Presidents/DOC meeting
- Club visit to Chivas USA on Feb. 7, 2010