

USA SOCCER MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 11, 2012

Clubs in Attendance:

The following clubs were in attendance: Azalea; Braden River; Brandon; Clearwater; Everton Florida; FC Sarasota; FC Tampa; Fishhawk Soccer; Florida Coast; Florida Soccer Club; Fusion Futbol; Gulfcoast United; North Lakeland; Pinellas Park; Plant City; Tampa Bay United; Valrico Soccer; Winter Haven

Referee Assignors in Attendance:

Jim Vars, David Deagan.

Executive Committee:

Chip Bruce, Rich Bowers, Carlos Martes, Karl Kukec, Linda Lathrop, Dave Oras, Frank Villaizan.

Called to Order: 7:05 p.m.

Welcome by President (Chip Bruce): A brief welcome by the President, Chip Bruce.

Approval of Minutes: Reviewed and approved.

Report of Officers:

Treasurer's Report (Vacant): In the absence of a Treasurer, Frank Villaizan, gave a brief report. Expenses in March were around \$18,000, which included EOS costs, assignor fees & the USA SR challenge. The ending balance was approximately \$132,000.

Secretary's Report (Rich Bowers): Nothing to report.

V.P. Senior Boys (David Oras): Nothing to report.

V.P. Junior Boys (Melissa Jara): Absent, but reported by email before the meeting that that the U10 festival was a success.

V.P. Senior Girls (Vince St. George): Absent.

V.P. Junior Girls (Gene Putney): Absent.

Referee Liaison Report (Carlos Martes): Nothing to report.

D.O.C. Liaison Report (Karl Kukec): The annual DOC meeting will be held Sunday April 22 from 2 – 5 PM at Holiday Inn Express, Brandon.

Member at Large (Linda Lathrop): The AGC/VP training on GotSoccer will be conducted Saturday April 21 from 1 – 4PM at the Best Western Bay Harbor Inn off the Courtney Campbel

Age Group Coordinators: No reports.

Past President (Frank Villaizan): See treasurers report.

President Report (President Chip Bruce): Chip reported that the AGM will be held on May 9. Proposed rule & bylaw changes need to be posted 20 days in advance. Club affiliation forms will be posted shortly on the website. Voting eligibility for the AGM will also be posted in the near future.

Old Business: See above Executive Member reports.

New Business: Deferred to the Executive session.

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Adjournment: 7:16 p.m.

USA SOCCER MONTHLY EXECUTIVE SESSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 11, 2012

Call to Order: 7:22 p.m.

Executive Committee Attendance: Same.

Approval of Minutes: Reviewed and approved.

Protest and Appeals: None.

Old Business:

1. Manasota v WFP: the police report was reviewed. There were numerous conflicting statements, and it was decided that no disciplinary action would be taken. The DOCs &

Presidents of the teams would be sent a letter concerning coaching & club responsibilities to control the fans and participants.

2. FCT V FSC: issue re AGC supposedly advising the referee not to issue cards following an incident involving 2 players. Carlos will endeavor to educate the referees that USA officials lack any authority to tell a referee about cards. Likewise, the AGCs will be educated re the scope of their authority.

New Business:

1. Joan Judd Scholarships: 51 applicants were approved. After discussion of the budget, it was decided to award \$500 per recipient.

2. The AGM is May 9. Linda Lathrop previously submitted a draft of the Bylaws to bring them in accord with past board decisions, as well as updating the terminology. The open positions up for election this year are the VP Jr Boys, VP Girls and the VP-Treasurer.

3. Budget matters were discussed along with the likely need to increase dues if we are going to continue to support Joan Judd, EOS, the USA Sr Challenge & other programs. A budget meeting will be held after the AGM to address various cost saving measures and the continued support of various programs. While the desire to continue to support Joan Judd is strong, if nothing is done, USA will end up FY 2013 with a small surplus, and the ability to support Joan Judd beyond FY 2013 will be jeopardized.

Adjournment: 8:43 PM.