

USA SOCCER MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 10, 2012

Clubs in Attendance:

The following clubs were in attendance: Braden River; Brandon; Everton; FC Tampa; First Hernando; Florida Coast; Lake Wales Soccer; Nature Coast; North Lakeland; Oldsmar; Pinellas County; Plant City; Seminole; Tampa Bay; West Pasco; Winter Haven

Referee Assignors in Attendance:

Jim Vars. David Deagan

Executive Committee:

Frank Villaizan, Rich Bowers, Karl Kukec, David Oras, Linda Lathrop, Debbie Hofrichter, Carlos Martes.

Called to Order: 7:04 p.m.

Welcome by President: A brief welcome by the Past President, Frank Villaizan.

Approval of Minutes: Reviewed and approved.

Report of Officers:

Treasurer's Report (Linda Lathrop): Linda provided the treasurer's report.

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

V.P. Senior Boys (David Oras): David reported that the Red cards site has been updated. Thus far, most of the red cards have been double yellow. Coaches still need to provide documentation to clear their players. Problems with reshuffle games was also discussed.

V.P. Junior Boys (Melissa Jara): Absent.

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

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Referee Liaison Report (Carlos Martes): A brief discussion was held concerning coaching conduct.

D.O.C. Liaison Report (Karl Kukec): Nothing to report.

Member at Large (Debbie Hofrichter): Nothing to report.

Age Group Coordinators: The issue of teams dropping out after the coaches meeting, or even after the schedule was published, was discussed.

Past President (Frank Villaizan): USA Game reports are still required for a variety of reasons. USA players can play in more than 1 game per day, i.e., one for their primary team and one as a guest.

President Report (President Chip Bruce): Absent.

Old Business:

Jr schedules are final and have been locked.

New Business:

Linda Lathrop previewed the new website. Additional input welcome as we finalize the same. The current plan is to roll out once the JR season is complete.

Good of the Game:

The U9 festival was reported as a success.

Adjournment: 7:48 p.m.

USA SOCCER MONTHLY EXECUTIVE SESSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Call to Order: 7:48 p.m.

Executive Committee Attendance: Same.

Approval of Minutes: Reviewed and approved.

Protest and Appeals: Carlos discussed some of the recent coaching red cards, noting that most coaching problems fall squarely within USA rules. The *Idé* matter was discussed, and he was referred to FYSA/FSR for his complaints. He understands that he has to serve the suspension since the conduct was admitted, but his issue was the integrity of the official/written report.

The board discussed the use of ref assessments re coaching complaints about particular referees. The USA Board approved payment for referee assessments as requested by the referee liaison in all those circumstances where the referee liaison deemed it appropriate, regardless of whether it was driven by coaching complaint or otherwise.

Old Business: Linda previewed the website in the general meeting.

New Business:

The Everton referee fee issue was discussed where the game was cancelled on 2 occasions without notice to the USA assigned referee. Final demand for payment to be sent.

15 day rule re rescheduling of games was discussed and the problems that have been encountered. Further discussion held until the next meeting as to resolution of the unplayed games.

Carlos is going to submit a suggested referee payment schedule for the next year.

The board approved T-shirts & medals, as appropriate, for all division winners. The cost was estimated to be well less than \$10,000. Though not reflected in the budget, the consensus was that we had indeed approved it after the complaints following last season when we discontinued it.

A special executive session was scheduled to follow the meeting to discuss the use of uncertified referee assignors by one or more affiliate clubs.

Adjournment: 8:58 PM.