

# USA SOCCER MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 13, 2013

## **Clubs in Attendance:**

The following clubs were in attendance: Brandon, Everton, FC Tampa, First Hernando, Florida Coast, Lake Wales Soccer, North Lakeland Soccer, Oldsmar, Pinellas Park YSA, Tampa Bay United, West Pasco.

## **Referee Assignors in Attendance:**

Jim Vars.

## **Executive Committee:**

Chip Bruce, Rich Bowers, Karl Kukec, Linda Lathrop, Merritt Guthrie, Melissa Jara, Carlos Martes.

**Called to Order: 7:14 p.m.**

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

**Approval of Minutes:** Reviewed and approved.

## **Report of Officers:**

**Treasurer's Report (Linda Lathrop):** Linda provided the treasurer's report. It is online. Expenditures were \$7100. Balance sheet is \$181K. No income for the month as customary, and several big expenditure items are coming up, including Joan Jud and Ref Assignor payments.

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

**V.P. Senior Boys (OPEN):** David Oras has completed his relocation to Denver.

**V.P. Junior Boys (Melissa Jara):** Nothing to report.

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

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

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

**D.O.C. Liaison Report (Karl Kukec):** Annual DOC meeting has been set for April 7.

**Member at Large (Debbie Hofrichter):** Absent.

**Member at Large (Merritt Guthrie):** Nothing to report.

**Age Group Coordinators:** Nothing discussed.

**Past President (Frank Villaizan):** Absent.

**President Report (President Chip Bruce):** Nothing to report.

**Old Business:**

Joan Judd applications are posted and are due March 20, 2013. The banquet will be April 24 at the Best Western Bay Harbor Hotel from 6-9PM. Recipients do not have to attend the banquet to receive their award.

Red Card Site has been updated. There are 19 unserved Red Cards. Emails will be sent to coaches & clubs of these players. Even if a player "quits a team", the coach can still list him as serving the red card. Players should not be allowed to transfer to another club with unserved suspensions.

Annual DOC meeting has been set for April 7 at the Best Western Bay Harbor Hotel from 1-5 PM. The date selected is the only free weekend available in that State Cup & Region Cup limits the number of open weekends for play. We can try to schedule this DOC meeting after State Cup & Region Cup dates are posted to give as much notice to all concerned.

The new USA website is up & running. It is still being tweaked, and if anyone has suggestions, please submit them.

**New Business:**

Division winner medals and participation medals will be distributed at the next meeting.

Additionally, Age Group Division Winners are encouraged to submit photographs for the website to Sheri.

**Good of the Game:**

There are four 3v3 live tourneys in the area 3/30, 4/20, 5/18, & 6/8. Details at [www.3v3live.com](http://www.3v3live.com)

**Adjournment:** 7:33 p.m.

**USA SOCCER MONTHLY EXECUTIVE SESSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

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**Call to Order:** 7:39 P.M.

**Executive Committee Attendance:** Same.

**Approval of Minutes:** Reviewed and approved.

**Protest and Appeals:** Linda Lathrop discussed the situation at Plant City where a player with an unserved suspension for a Red Card was transferred from one team to another within the club, and seemingly has been playing. The same team also made a number of roster moves wherein players were dual rostered as secondary players, and seemingly were allowed to play in contravention of USA rules. The latter situation apparently arose when a USA reshuffle game was scheduled for the day after Region Cup roster freeze. Steve Rossiter, President of Plant City, will be notified and asked to come and explain the situation.

**Old Business:**

Sheri will compile a list of forfeit reports for possible Board Action, to include bonding for next year or sanctions.

**New Business:**

Potential for Webcast of meetings briefly mentioned, and Rich Bowers will get some data re cost and expense.

Matt Algate was appointed to serve as Senior VP for the remainder of Dave Oras' term, which II expires this year.

Notices to coaches & clubs with unpaid ref fees for cancelled/forfeited games will be sent.

**Adjournment:** 8:30 PM.