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WI Youth Soccer Association
2005 Annual General Meeting
Oak Creek, WI
March 5th, 2005

Verification of Delegates

Appleton SC-Bill Juen, Ashwaubenon SC-Dana Kaczrouske, Baraboo SC-Donna Baker (proxy), Bavarian SC-Jon Coleman, Brookfield S A - Kathy Neverman (proxy), Burlington Youth Soccer Association -Sandy Cowan, Cedarburg SC-Mark Schwantes, Chequamegon Bay SA -Hunter Tyler, Club Latino-Bill Sandoval, Coulee Youth Region – LaCrosse-John McCue, Croatian Eagles SC - Scott Surprise, DC Everest Area Youth Soccer - Jim Ruffedt, Delavan Youth SC - Kurt Zipp, Depere Select SC -Dale Rhodes, Eau Claire United SC-Fred Weissenburger (proxy), Elkhorn SC-Hoyt Smith, Elm Grove SC-Jim Jacobson, FC Magic SC-Ann Girard (proxy), FC Milwaukee -Larry Pan, Fond du Lac SC-Don Wirtz, Fox Valley United SC-Susan Dellinger (proxy), Foxx SC-Scott Nicholas, Green Bay Lightning-Billie Smith, Green Bay Metro-Dawn King, Hartford United SC-Jack De Selm, Howard Hurricanes SC-Claudia Ryczkowski, Hudson Soccer Association-Tom Nettleton (proxy), Kenosha Area Soccer League-Roger Koessel, Kettle Moraine Lazars Soccer Club-Ken Ward, Kettle Moraine Recreational Soccer-Michael Kilsdonk, Kimberly Area Soccer Association- Wayne Stoflet, (proxy), Lake Country United SC-Beth Miller (proxy), Madison 56ers SC-Deb Gawin (proxy), Magic SC- Bill Shroud, Marshfield SC-Howard Hoffman, Menasha Area SC-Kurt Schodorf (proxy), Menomonee Falls SC-Ed Eastman (proxy), Mequon SC- Scott Engroff, Middleton Youth SC-Dean Groth, Millennium SC-Kelly Pochop, Milwaukee Kickers SC-Toby Whipple ,Milwaukee SC-Bill Pittman, Monroe Area Rebel Soccer-Larry Nack, New Holstein SC-Henry Shaw (proxy) , New London Soccer Association-Mark Ulrich (proxy), Northland Badger Soccer-Randy Strickland (proxy), Oak Creek SC-Milan Maksimovic, Oconomowoc SA-Robert Butendorf, Oshkosh United SC- Tom Brauer, Paper Valley Youth SC-Stuart Jones (proxy), Parkland SC-Mark Dombrowski, Pewaukee SC-Dave Linsmeier, Polonia Youth SC-Rick Rabiega (proxy), Port Washington SC-Chuck Lanser-Racine Area SA-Lloyd Swager, Red Star SC-Vlatko Minic (proxy), Saukville SC- Philip Sherwood, SC Waukesha-Tony Wilcenski (proxy), Shorewood Hills SC-Gary Johnson, Slinger SC-Pat Wagner, Sussex SC-Dave Christofferson, United SC – West Bend-John Berst, United Serbian SC-Nick Stojavljevic, United Soccer of Allouez -Scott Kraft, Verona Area SC-Scott Clement, Village of Wales-Sean Faris, Wausau SC-Don Hermanson, Wausau United SC-Mark Smith, Whitewater Youth SC-Aurelio Callope, Wisconsin Rapids Kickers- Barry Gruetzmacher, Yahara United SC-Kurt Sonnentag

73 clubs were present at the 2005 Wi Youth Soccer Annual General meeting, 70 clubs established the quorum for this meeting.

Motion: to accept the 2004 AGM meeting minutes
Stuart Jones 2nd /Sandy Cowan

Minutes Approved

Introduction of Youth Board of Directors, State Staff and others

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Sue Walters – State Youth Referee Administrator, Dave Flanagan – Director of Leagues, Mary Clarkson – State Registrar, Arlyn Clarkson – Chairman State Cup, Marshall Murray – Director State Boys and Girls ODP programs, Peter Mariahazy – Treasurer, Terry Donini - Secretary, Bill Podewils – President, Tournament Sanctioning Committee – Stuart Jones, Tops Soccer – John Janasik.

Wisconsin Youth Soccer State Staff

Kelly Ross- Executive Director, Bryan Flanagan- Program Assistant, Robbie Ward- Program Administrator

Guests: John Jansik - WI Soccer Association President, Richard Williams – WI Amateur Soccer Association - President and Greg Winkler, WI Soccer Coaches Association - President

Old Business

Motion: to approve the Board of Directors actions form June 2004 to November 2004 Aurelio Callope-Whitewater SC, 2nd Ken Ward - Kettle Moraine

Motion passes

New Business:

Proposed amendments to the constitution and Bylaws

Gary Johnson presented the proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws.

Amendment # 1

The Wi Youth Soccer Association offices shall be located in the state of Wisconsin.

Motion: to accept the amendment that the WI Youth Soccer Association offices shall be located in the state of Wisconsin.

Henry Shaw - New Holstein SC, 2nd Stuart Jones - Paper Valley

Bill Sandoval (Club Latino) called for a point of order believing that the proposed amendment was out of order. He asked as to whether or not this amendment had been authorized by the Wisconsin Soccer Association Board of Directors. He indicated that any proposed amendment is not in order when it is in conflict with the state (WSA) or National (USSF) Constitution and Bylaws. Bill Podewils indicated the WI Youth Soccer Association constitution and bylaws provide for provisions to allow changes in their own constitution. Bill Sandoval indicated that the WI Youth Soccer Association is a division of the WI Soccer Association and is governed by their executive board. He indicated that WI Soccer Association has never voted on allowing this proposal, therefore as a point of order this proposal cannot be voted on. Bill Podewils pointed out by reading from Section 2001.2.B of the Wisconsin Soccer Association constitution and bylaws that “The authority, responsibility and operation of the WYSA, WASA, recognized Coaches Division, and recognized Referees Division

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are explained in their constitutions and By-laws.” Bill Podewils ruled the motion to amend the constitution was valid.

Motion: to override the chairs decision that the amendment being proposed is in order
Bill Sandoval – Club Latino, 2nd Scott Engroff – Mequon SC

Motion fails

The vote on the original motion to change the constitution allowing the WI Youth Soccer Association to be located with in the state of Wisconsin passes.

73 yea 13 nays

Motion passes

Amendment # 2 (changes the wording of the WI Youth Soccer Association purpose and territory). See below.

“The primary purpose of this Association shall be the supervision, regulation and promotion of youth soccer in the State of Wisconsin and additional territories as granted by the United States Youth Soccer Association (US Youth Soccer) and the United States Soccer Federation (USSF). The Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association further reserves the right to develop and promote other soccer initiatives in the State of Wisconsin as they see fit.”

Motion: to accept this amendment to the constitution

Bill Juen – Appleton SC, 2nd Kurt Schodorf – Menasha Area SC

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Motion: call the question on the motion

Sandy Cowan – Burlington SC, Dana Kaczrouke-Ashwaubenon SC

Motion passes

Motion: to allow for changes in the constitution in section 5002 which relates to territory and purpose of the WI Youth Soccer Association.

73 yea 13 nays, no abstentions

Motion passes

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Elections:

Election of President and Secretary of the WI Youth Soccer Association

Bill Podewils turns the chair over to Mike Lekan who call for nominations for President of the WI Youth Soccer Association.

Wayne Soflet – Kimberly SC, 2nd Sandy Cowan-Burlington Youth SC nominated Bill Podewils as President of the WI Youth Soccer Association

Mike Lekan calls for nomination three times.

Bill Podewils is elected as President by acclamation.

Bill Podewils calls for nominations for Secretary of the WI Youth Soccer Association.

John Wallhauser- SC Waukesha, 2nd Ken Ward-Kettle Moraine nominated Terry Donini for Secretary of the WI Youth Soccer Association.

Bill Podewils calls for nominations three times.

Terry Donini is elected Secretary by acclamation.

Wisconsin Soccer Association Youth Board Representatives election

Ken Voigt nominated by Toby Whipple – Milwaukee Kickers, 2nd Kurt Showoff-Menasha Area SC

Kurt Sonnetag nominated by Dean Groth Middleton SC, 2nd Gary Johnson-Shorewood Hills SC

Carlos Gomez nominated by Bill Sandoval – Club Latino, 2nd Scott Engroff – Mequon Soccer Club

Carlos Gomez-Club Latino, Kurt Sonnetag-Yahara United and Ken Voigt- Brookfield Soccer Associaton ran for election to serve as youth representatives to the Wisconsin Soccer Association Board. Each candidate had a brief opportunity to introduce themselves and their qualification and backgrounds for the representatives' positions.

Ken Voigt was reelected and Kurt Sonnetag was newly elected as youth representatives to the Wisconsin Soccer Association board.

Motion: to destroy the ballots

Mike Lekan – Vice President, 2nd Kurt Schodorf - Menasha Area SC

Budget 2005

The proposed budget received earlier in the year by the youth board will be the same budget presented today with the exception of one item. The youth board requested an adjustment to the per player insurance fee to \$1.85. Peter indicated that publication of the Wi Soccer Post outweighed the revenues generated by advertising; this was another factor in going to an on-line newspaper format.

Peter informed the participants that mileage reimbursement increases, brunches and lunches for board meetings, executive committee members' travel and participation in regional and national

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meetings and workshops contributed to increases in the meetings line item of the budget. Peter indicated that the budget reflects the US Youth increase of \$1 per player for the 2004 playing year. He reminded the membership that the youth board agreed to cover the 50 cent increase for last year out of reserves; then pass along the entire increase to the clubs in the 2005 seasonal year. Peter talked about the financial reviews and clarified questions about how budget issues are handled. He indicated that the youth board previews the budget prior to its presentation at the AGM and a yearly full financial review is completed by Clifton Gunderson LLP. In addition he indicated that a recent contact with the IRS suggested that it doesn't matter the amount of cash that a non-profit has on reserve, what matters is what the organization is doing with it.

Motion: to accept the 2005 budget

Gary Johnson – Shorewood Hills SC, 2nd Kurt Sonnetag - Yahara United SC

Motion passes

WI Youth Soccer Association Status

Introduced the Association's intent to begin a strategic planning event sometime in the next year, 1997 was the last strategic plan, with a revision in the year 2000. We want to be ahead of the curve as we have been with coaching education, player club passes and small-sided games. Acknowledged the efforts of state staff members Kelly Ross, Robbie Ward, Bryan Flanagan, Chris Brown, Craig Carlson, Rob Lestina, and Gail Prowant.

For the good of Soccer

Bill Podewils presented information, in the absence of Chris Brown, on U11 Center for Excellence program initiated in Appleton. Chris would like to expand into the Milwaukee, Madison or other areas that might have an interest. Cost of the program is \$25 per player which is currently being subsidized by a grant. Craig Carlson and Chris Brown will be contacting club president or directors of coaching during the up coming summer.

WI Youth Soccer Association, along the Illinois Youth Soccer Association, will be hosting a National Youth license course in July near Chicago. Participants need to have a USSF National D or higher or the approval of the DOC to participate. This would provide clubs the opportunity to have a coach trained to teach introductory youth modules to coaches in their club. Wisconsin and Illinois will be hosting a C license course in late July of this year.

Kelly Ross recognized Big Toe Sports as the official state association soccer equipment sponsor, and then encouraged the membership to explore the loyalty discount program that Big Toe offers to association members. Highlighted both the ACL prevention video and the Attitudes are Contagious tape that the Association has distributed in the past. Introduced a video that US Youth Soccer had produced for the Novice Coach encouraged the membership to use it when it becomes available.

Peter Mariahazy promoted the success of the East Central District and Fox Cities area winning the bid to host the 2006 USYSA Region 2 Championships Series and

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acknowledged Carl Micke's effort in spearheading the winning bid effort. He encouraged everyone to come and visit during the event.

John Janasik thanked everyone for their well wishes during his extended illness and heart surgery and for their support of him for the time he has spent on the Youth and WSA board.

Richard Williams commenting as a WI Soccer Association board member asked the membership if they believed we (youth) were following our own constitution and bylaws and whether the youth constitution and bylaws were in line with the USYSA, USSF, and the WSA. Williams postulated that the bylaws of the USYSA, USSF, and WSA take precedence and supersede all governing documents of the Wi Youth Soccer Association to the extent applicable under state law. He implied the Clifton Gundereson LLP full financial review was nothing more than a simple budget overview, but did admit that the last full financial review of the WI Soccer Association programs was done at least 10 years ago. Once again he called into question the ability of the youth membership and boards to oversee its own programs.

Marshall Murray promoted the ODP program and asked clubs to promote player involvement in ODP. He indicated that the Milwaukee Wave would be sponsoring a fundraising night for Wisconsin ODP programs on April 8th. Information will available on line.

WSA Hall of Fame Banquet March 19th at the Bavarian Inn. Peter Saemann is being inducted into the Hall of Fame and our Wytse Molenaar and Tim Luttrell our two youth Coaches of the Year will be honored on this evening.

John McCue (Southwest District) informed that membership of a monument set up for international peace thru soccer Bangor Wi., just outside of LaCrosse.

Arlyn Clarkson asked for continued support of Topsoccer programs, encouraged all districts to consider supporting a Topsoccer program and encouraged that Topsoccer continue into young adulthood and beyond.

Greg Winkler, President of the Wi Soccer Coaches Association, promoted youth membership in the coaches association. He previewed the newly designed website (wisoccercoaches.com) and forum and encouraged soccer coaches to become more familiar with the coaches association.

Meeting adjourned

Terry Donini
Secretary
WI Youth Soccer Association