

Timberline Youth Soccer Association
Minutes of Board Meeting Conducted
February 7, 2007

Meeting Called to Order 7:25 PM

Members Present

Tim Sonnier, Ralph Eureste, Mike Pruitt, Rosaura Cerda, Chuck Vallentine, Mark Broughton, Brad Martin, Jo Pate, Mark Zylker, Bob Schmitz, Duane Choate

Guests

Andrew Naudin of Cy-Fair

John Nowiejski (Scheduler) Klein. Mr. Nowiejski advised that the schedule for the spring season had been put into place. Objective to reduce travel and double headers had been eliminated where possible.

Mr. Naudin provided an update of the scheduling software and advised a service located in Colorado will be able to provide hosting services at a rate lower than the existing services. Further, the service will be willing to provide an evaluation of the software.

Minutes of January 10, 2007 meeting motioned as accepted and approved by Ralph Eureste and seconded by Mark Broughton. Motion Passed.

Mr. Pruitt advised that the process to hire an administrator will proceed. The administrator reports to the president, however, Mr. Pruitt will appreciate a process of interviews for the candidate and subsequent ratification of the decision by the governing board. Members having agreed to serve, the interviews were arranged to be conducted.

The committee is to provide both an assessment and recommendation of the candidate as well as recommend compensation. The committee will also review the job description for the administrative role. Ultimately, the committee's recommendations will be subject to ratification by the governing board.

Mr. Broughton reopened the discussion regarding software noting that the search for alternative scheduling software solutions is continuing. Mr. Naudin advised that the vendor, located in Colorado, will likely provide an upgraded hosting environment that is lower in cost than the current hosting environment. Further, Mr. Naudin advised the vendor will be available to review and assess software issues at a block rate of \$350 per 10 hour block.

Motion:

Mr. Pate motioned the governing body allocate \$3,500 to perform compensated evaluation, assessment and potential repair recommendations of the scheduling. Mr. Vallentine seconded the motion. Motion carried with one dissenting vote.

Discussion regarding trophies for bracket winners for the fall 2006 season centered around the past precedents established for the practice. Certain teams had requested the reason why such items were not provided.

Motion:

Mr. Choate motioned the governing body arrange to provide trophies to bracket winners for the fall 2006 season. Mr. Broughton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion regarding background checks for kid safe passes was conducted by members of the board.

Motion:

Mr. Choate made a motion to allow TYSA to pay the fees for background checks related to the Kid Safe program on behalf of the member clubs. Mr. Eureste seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The board reviewed the rule change proposals to be voted upon by the STYSA governing body at the February 11-12 meeting.

President's Reports

Aldine United

Mrs. Cerda reported that a player had been selected for the Dynamo academy program.

Cy-Fair

Mr. Eureste reported that Mr. Naudin has been elected president of the club and will represent Cy-Fair as president at future meetings of TYSA. He also advised that Cy-Fair had rescheduled some portions of its winter tournament.

Kingwood Alliance

Mr. Zylker reported that the spring season was soon to begin and registration for Division IV had increased this spring versus the 2006 spring season.

Klein

Mr. Vallentine reported spring registration has approximately 2300 players. He noted substantial problems with the E-7 registration program. He also advised the development of an academy play group between Klein and Cy-Fair. Klein deals with four competitive clubs and felt this process to be the fairest method of providing the academy program without undue favoritism for one club.

This comment raised discussion of a TYSA academy play group. Mr. Pruitt recommended the presidents discuss a player development play group that would, if the presidents agree, replace TYSA member clubs the player development league operated by HYSA.

Klein also discussed the home and home arrangement of the DIII play group for Klein teams. The likely outcome being Klein Division III teams will be reluctant to travel.

Rush

Mr. Choate advised the Top Soccer program for special needs participants had increased and the TYSA had approved adult participation in the Tops program for Rush. He also advised a Region III ODP event would be held at Bear Branch park at the end of February. He advised that Rush was in process of negotiating additional field capacity with the Woodlands Community Association.

Texas HeatWave

Mrs. Pate advised that tournament season was in the process of ending with good participation. Spring registration was in process with results ahead of the prior year.

Board Member Reports

Mr. Broughton presented the scheduling report during the software discussion.

Mr. Martin advised no line items had been provided for the budget work cycle. He advised spending patterns had remained similar to prior years with state fees being the largest cost component.

Mr. Pate advised that election for the State Executive Vice President role could leave a vacancy in the Eastern District. The governing body instructed the attendees to the state meeting to support Jesse Harrell and recommended Hal Hutton as the replacement to Mr. Harrell should his candidacy prove successful.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.