



Kentucky Youth Soccer Association

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State Board Meeting (Teleconference)

September 23, 2002

Perry Alexander called the meeting of the KYSA State Board to order at 8:00 P.M. EST

Those in attendance were:

Perry Alexander	President	Dave Morris	District I Admin
Tommy Johns	Vice President	Tim Turney	District II Admin
Jim Setters	Secretary/Registrar	Randy Richey	District IV Admin
Dave Brown	Treasurer	Dave McIver	Program Manager
Milt Koger	Youth Administrator	Fran Kulas	Coach & Player Development
Kris Zander	Executive Director		

Not Present:

Jeff Hall	District III Admin	Brian Darling	SRA
Mike Hayes	KSA Chair		

MINUTES:

Motion made to approve minutes of 07/14/02 board meeting by Randy Richey, second by David Brown. Motion passed.

SPONSORSHIPS:

The Gatorade sponsorship will be cancelled effective 12/31/03. Gatorade is dropping all 55 states, 35 this year and 20 next year.

The Adidas sponsorship agreement has been renewed

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Perry Alexander gave a report on the US Youth Soccer Presidents Meeting that was held in Dallas, TX September 20 – 22, 2002. US Youth Soccer is considering filing multiple grievances with the USSF.

This year is Kentucky Youth Soccer's 25th Anniversary year. Send Perry any ideas that you might have to commemorate 25 years in the business.

TREASURER REPORT:

The 2001/2002 fiscal year end reports were presented by David Brown.

REGISTRATION REPORT:

The final 2001/2002 registration report was presented by David McIver. Kentucky Youth Soccer reached 100% of its prior year registration for its 10th consecutive year.



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US YOUTH SOCCER TRAVEL PERMITS

There are now multiple organizations (US Club Soccer, USYSL) not affiliated with US Youth Soccer that are directly affiliated with USSF that are hosting tournaments in neighboring states. Kentucky Youth Soccer teams may travel to these tournaments but do so at their own risk and under the insurance of these other organizations. The state office is not signing US Youth Soccer travel permits for these tournaments. In order to have a travel permit signed an approved US Youth Soccer Application to Host Tournaments or Games must accompany the travel permit.

US Youth Soccer Rules only require that Permission to Travel Permits be signed when traveling to another State Association. None are required for travel to other Federation Affiliates. This is consistent with USSF and US Youth Soccer policies and guidelines and follows similar practices in the other state associations.

KENTUCKY APPROVED TOURNAMENTS:

US Club Soccer teams are traveling to Kentucky for tournaments. This is allowable but the teams must follow the entry guidelines that the tournament has set.

There is a new US Youth Soccer Application to Host Tournaments & Games form. This form has a box to check US Youth Soccer teams only. If this box is checked then only US Youth Soccer teams are permitted.

Dave McIver will review the current applications in the office and check to see if previously approved tournaments would like to amend their applications to the new format.

2002 US YOUTH SOCCER ADIDAS WORKSHOP & COACHES CONVENTION:

The US Youth Soccer workshop will be held in Indianapolis, IN this winter. Motion made: That KYSA only send elected members of the board of directors and paid office staff to attend the workshops in Indianapolis by Tim Turney, seconded by David Brown. Motion passed

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT:

Motion by Randy Richey to move the management of all programs including, but not limited to, TOPSoccer & Soccer Start under the KYSA Program Manager. Seconded by Tommy Johns. Motion passed.

GRANT PROGRAMS:

Kris Zander reported that the US Youth Soccer TOPSoccer & Soccer Start grants are now available. The Deadline for the US Youth Soccer Grants is March 7, 2003. Additionally, the US Soccer Foundation Grants are also available and their deadline is November 18, 2002.



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2003 WINTER PLANNING SESSION:

Discussion was held on possible topics for the 2003 winter planning session. Some would like to see the agenda of the meeting to concentrate more on short term goals. Kris Zander will send out an email to solicit the board of directors input and will submit a list prior to the next board meeting. David McIver will be working on securing a location.

KYSA BINGO PROGRAM:

Kris Zander reported that over the past couple years that bingo income has decreased. Options were explored into changing bingo halls but it is apparent that most of the halls in the Lexington area are struggling. KYSA is achieving the proper percentages to maintain it's license and it is still a money making endeavor. There are no current plans to move or change the bingo program.

ODP REPORT

Fran Kulas presented a year report for the 2001/2002 Kentucky Youth Soccer ODP. Financials as well as team & player accomplishments were reviewed.

COACHING EDUCATION:

Fran Kulas presented an up to date report on this years Coaching Education Program.

2003 JAVANON CUP:

Motion made by David Brown to approve the 2003 Javanon Cup, seconded by Randy Richey. Motion passed with Tim Turney abstaining.

BARREN RIVER YSA:

Motion to approve Barren River YSA as a provisional member by Randy Richey, seconded by Milt Koger, Motion passed

TIDE AMERICAN CUP:

Motion by Dave Morris to hold the 2003 Tide American Cup June 7&8, 14&15, 21&22. Seconded by David Brown. Motion Passed

2003 NATIONAL LEAGUE:

This years National League applications have not yet been received from Region 2. All Kentucky Snickers Cup Champions & Finalist will be guaranteed admission into the National League provided they have applied to the state association prior to the deadline. All other teams may apply but will not be guaranteed admission into the National League. **No** late applications will be taken following the same policy as for tournament applications.



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REPORTS OF MEETINGS:

Written reports from the USSF AGM, Region 2 Registrars Meeting, and the Region 2 ODP Meetings were submitted to the board.

STATE STAFFING POLICY:

The updated staffing policy of the Kentucky Youth Soccer State office was submitted to the board for their review. Discussion was deferred until the next meeting.

SMALL SIDED GAMES:

A mistake was noted in the ages for U9, the rule said must be above the age of 9, corrected to age of 8.

Perry Alexander reported on meetings with Indiana and Tennessee youth soccer and proposed agreement to switch in the same manner to facilitate interstate play. Tennessee proposed allowing existing U11 teams to remain 11 v 11 for the 2003 year only with U12 being switched to 8 v 8 in 2004. Illinois has already switched to small sided in U11/U12 as has Ohio North and Penn West. Ohio South is the sole hold out in neighboring states that we have frequent interplay.

Discussion took place on providing an alternative for the teams in Northern Kentucky that play in Ohio South. Because Ohio South has not agreed to move to small sided play, teams from N. KY that play in Ohio would have to play 11V11 at both U11 and U12.

The board agreed to post the current draft of the rules and allow the members to give feedback. A special email address of SmallSided@kysoccer.net will be set up to allow members to give feedback and the incoming messages will go to all board members. Perry was to draft statement of principals to preface the draft rules to encapsulate where we are in the process and to make sure they were marked DRAFT.

Preamble: Page 3 Kentucky State Playing Rules Draft Proposed New Rules 9/23/2002

Board affirmed the following basic principles:

- Kentucky Youth Soccer wishes to follow the spirit and intent of the national rules adopted by US Youth Soccer in the best interest of the players and to further the growth and appreciation of the game of soccer in the commonwealth
- Kentucky Youth Soccer wishes to meet the needs of all players in all areas of the commonwealth to be able to participate in and enjoy the game of soccer in the commonwealth.
- Kentucky Youth Soccer recognizes that the changes required to comply with the new rules are extensive and far reaching in their effects on the local member associations and that consideration will have to be given to transitional measures to allow for members to come into compliance with the new rules, that transitional measures will differ due to geography and decisions made in adjoining states as to how to implement the new rules.
- Kentucky Youth Soccer understands that it is IMPORTANT to have member feedback and input in a change of this nature and as a result the board is wishes to have the opportunity to hear the concerns of members before adopting the final rules.



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- Kentucky Youth Soccer recognizes that change is mandated, that change is painful, that change requires time and effort and that change requires patience and understanding.
- Kentucky Youth Soccer welcomes participation from all in the process of managing change, that the needs of the grassroots must be listened to and addressed.
- Kentucky Youth Soccer understands that no team should be downsized for a single season I.E. existing U11s playing 11 v 11 should not be reduced to 8 v 8 only to return to 11 v 11 the following year

Based on the above, the Kentucky Youth Soccer Association Board of Directors has authorized the publication of the following draft rules to implement the new rules adopted by US Youth Soccer with the clear understanding that there will have to be transitional modifications until all members and states have completed the migration to the new format.

The draft is not perfect or complete; it is a work in process for some six months since the first release of the proposed rule change. We, the State Board, welcome your input.

Perry asked that all members please look at the 2003-2004 state rules draft and make any revisions and send them to him.

GOOD OF THE GAME:

A motion to adjourn, Motion passed

Jim Setters