

MINUTES

Phoenix, AZ Date: October 8, 2009.

The meeting was called to order: 1:18PM Start time

In attendance were:

Director	(1)	-	Bruno Trapikas
Secretary	(1)	-	Peggy Polley
Treasurer	(1)	-	Bill Davey
Illinois	(4)	-	Branko Ilic, Joseph Zyzda, Gregory Vlamakis, Alex Mihailovic, Bob Balciunas
Indiana	(4)	-	Doug Pels, Ruperto Birdie
Iowa	(3)	-	Jim Albertson, Harold Kahler
Kansas	(3)	-	Vic Boydo
Kentucky	(3)	-	Everett Polley, Luis Llontop
Michigan	(4)	-	Debra Trapikas, Carlos Folino
Minnesota	(4)	-	Kristin Nelson
Missouri	(1)	-	Casey Frankewicz
Nebraska	(3)	-	Wayne Wilson
Ohio North	(3)	-	John Gyekenyesi, Blaz Pesorda, Marcy Pesorda, Tom Chapman
South Dakota	(1)	-	Bill Cross
Southern Ohio	(3)	-	Ken Baldeosingh, Ken Conselyea
Wisconsin	(1)	-	Richard Williams, Bill Sandoval
Guests:		-	Don Keller, Region Veterans Cup
		-	Richard Groff, Region 1 Director
		-	Jerry Zanelli, WPSL
		-	Brooks McCormick, USASA Chairman
		-	Hector Nava, Membership Committee
		-	Jeff Lawson, Sports Logic

Credentials Report – Blaz Pesorda

Roll call was taken. All states were present. MO is in bad standing and will not be able to vote. Gerhard Mengel and Nick Radu had travel problems. Debra Trapikas is to be the rep from MO, if there is no objection from the Council.

Motion: Debra Trapikas to be the rep from MI. Southern Ohio, Ken Conselyea and 2nd by Ohio North, John Gyekenyesi. All in Favor Yes; All against: None. Abstain: None.

Total votes is 38 without MO.

Please note: George Chazaro did not attend due to family.

Reports:

Bruno Trapikas: Regional Director

1. The following states had at least 5% growth: KS, KY, OH North and IN
2. Telephone conference call repeat:
 - a. D & O liability insurance for member leagues. They must fill out the form.
 - b. Demosphere will be decided on Sunday by the National Council.
 - c. Topics:

Colorado CO Board had no monetary fund's and no records of previous players. USASA Gave CO Soccer Association a loan of \$1,500.00 to start their state association.

RFP to go out to computer companies for bids on the USASA database. There are 6 vendors who are interested. They will send in a RFP.

CA South is new operating provisional adult organization. They were not fully accepted due to the insurance issue. They have a separate insurance and did not take the mandatory USASA. The opinion of the USASA is they need to accept the mandatory insurance. CA South ratio is high in the insurance injury.

WA Tim Busch repaid per 06-2007 money miscalculation for registrations and has been placed on probation until 2004-2005 registration and 10K has been paid. There has been no resolution at the time and WA is under probation.

WI Discussion was that the President Brooks McCormick and Bruno Trapikas attended a meeting with WI adult and youth organization. It is quite a mess over the registration of the youth registering the adult players. The main question is who has jurisdiction over the two states wanting to be separate state associations.

3. Summit

Planning on support from Hank, Mark and Kevin provides good framework for the Summit.

There is a 150 participants. They are a combination of a lot of history in the USASA. This is not to change the rules of the USASA but to define the organization of where we want to go from here. Our organization is growing as an individual states and each region of the USASA.

Secretary Peggy Polley

Motion: Accept Minutes with correction of the following:

Motion: Move remaining Grant money from 2008-2009 to 2010 Vic Boydo and 2nd by Bill Davey. All in favor Yes; All against: None; and Abstain: None

Also add the word "both" to the Motion:

Motion: Change for TOC, Section IV, Playing Rules,(d) to all both teams to substitute up to 11 players when the team awarded a throw-in chooses to make a substitution, by Ken Conselyea Southern Ohio 2nd by Bob Balciunas, IL.

All in favor: Yes; All against: None; and Abstain: None.

Treasurer: Bill Davey

Passed out Budget Worksheet. Discussion on the different entries.

Summit Update: Bill Davey Discussion on What are we doing here for this is not a constitution meeting. The Vision and Mission that will come during our conversation will be the guidelines to see if we can measure up to our aspects. The participants will be broken down in small groups and then move from table to table and discuss the different items. We are here to be a part of a team and leave our personal opinion at the door of the event.

We will meet at 3PM on Saturday to discuss the reports that we will be given by the Summit committee.

National Cups : Debra Trapikas

IL did a top notch job for the Region II National Cups. There was a decline from 14 to 8 teams in the Men's Open. The Women's Open and Women's Amateur Cups were combined this year into a single Women's Cup. In the Final for the USASA National Cups Region II had 3 first place and 2 second place teams. We had a very good showing for Region II. Region 2010, Debra will get back to us. The U-23 will have their own final on July 23-25th, 2010 with the top two teams from the Region participating, for each gender. Region II Finals will be held in Chicago at the same fields.

www.soccermidwest.us **Debra Trapikas.** There has been no change in the web site. Her work schedule is too hectic. Wayne Wilson stated he would check with someone about taking the website over.

Tournament of Champions Bill Davey. The 2010 TOC will be held in Eastlake, Ohio in Ohio North. The host hotel is the Radisson. It has been renovated. There is a block 100 rooms. More information will be available at the USSF AGM in New Orleans.

Guest:

Jeff Lawson Sports Logic. Stated, he would be around, if anyone, wanted to look at program.

National/Regional Leagues WPSL, NPSL Jerry Zanelli. Discussion how the women's soccer league was started in 1970's and grew in 2000. It costs #35,000 to put a team in with \$7,00.00 for dues and \$1,000 for travel. Requested, if any state association had interest, to please contact Jerry. There is a meeting on October 24-25 in Dallas, TX.

Veteran's Cup Don Keller. Talked about the 2009 Veteran's Cup and the success it had. Also, Don handed out a chain of information on how the President receives information about the Veteran's Cup and how they should distribute to the League and then to their teams.

Elite Player Program updates by Director Chairman gave a report out, not much

activity. Ireland played USASA Men's National Team and it was a 0-0 tie in San Francisco. CA North hosted the Irish team.

The players were chosen from the tryouts Region I and LA and San Francisco. There were as follows:

7 from Region II

5 from Region III

Also, players were from Region IV and Region I.

Team Administrator was Bill Bosgraff.

Appeals-Brian Darling. There were no appeals

Budget Nick Radu Postponed until Saturday meeting

Coaching Education Gianfranco Borroni (Not present) Alex Mihailovic(Prsent). He stated Committee had developed a new program to take education to another level of coaching. He is offering the program to all state associations.

GRANTS (USASA) Harold Kahler. The form is not listed on the USASA web site. There is 20K available.

Membership Committee. Hector Nava. The Membership Committee would be attending the NSCAA, USYSA and the CA South Expo.

Vic Boydo Regional Grants are due by the 30th of October, 2009.

Referees Ken Baldeosingh

1. Chico will be here for the luncheon on Saturday, but he did a game in CA.
2. SRA are collecting money from a request of Samir of IN Soccer Association. Samir's flight was incorrect so he is not here today. The money is to be used for funding the previous winners of the Pat Smith Award or other award of monies to the new winner of the Pat Smith Award. Discussion followed, the feeling of the State Presidents they were not interested in giving money. IT was noted that KY Soccer Officials gave \$100.00.

Rules Kris Nelson Kris discussed each of the rules from the book.

Women's Development Heidi Philyaw Was appointed. Heidi is eager to learn and understands there is no funding. She wants to encourage women to play soccer after college.

Old Business

Region Events:

National Cups 2010 Chicago, IL

National Cups 2011 Kansas City, KS

National Cups 2012 Ft Wayne, IN
TOC 2010 Ohio North, Eastlake, OH
TOC 2011 Ft Wayne, IN

Motion: KS to have 2011 National Cups to be awarded to KS. Richard Williams, WI and 2nd Ken Conselyea, Southern Ohio. All in Favor Yes All against: None Abstain None

Motion TOC 2011 Ft Wayne by Ken Conselyea, Southern Ohio 2nd Vic Boydo All in Favor: Yes All against: None Abstain: None

Motion Ft Wayne to be awarded the National Cups 2011 and the TOC 2012 by Ken Conselyea 2nd by Richard Williams. All in For: Yes All against None Abstain: None

2010 National Regional II Cups: Illinois is committed to the job of the National Cups at the Gaelic Park. Discussion followed about the fields and the weather. Illinois can not make any guarantees about weather or condition of the fields.

New Business

Tournament of Champions U-23 Trophy.

Motion Have the trophy named after Ken Conseylea by Debra Trapikas, MI and 2nd by Ken Baldeosingh, Southern Ohio. All in favor: Yes All against: None Abstain: None

Trophy to be purchased and named for Ken Conselyea.

Recessed.

Saturday October 10th, 2009 3:00PM

Attendees: Same as on Thursday with the additional members:

Gerhard Mengel, MI, Rep

Nick Radu, MI, Rep

Samir Yasa

Howard Rubenstein, IN Guest

Call to order:

Pat Smith Award Samir Yasa. Discussion on the money that was solicited from the different SRA's in Region II. It was concluded that the SRC is independent of Region II expense or collecting any money. Samir stated he would report on how and what money is spent to Region II Council.

USASA Budget. Nick Radu. Nick, briefly, went over the Budget. There was no questions for him from the Region II Council.

Summit – Doug Pels. This meeting was called so we as a Region could give the Summit Committee a report of our Regional reaction to the Summit Meeting. We saw 48 presentations, now we need to ask how will they get carried.

Discussion:

1. It was felt that the consultant should have the information on what we did so we could make some decisions.
2. The question was raised will we have all the information by tomorrow?
3. Need to see how it will be implemented when we do not meet for 6 months.
4. Great deal of work to convert into a plan. Then, the plan will be huge to implement, once the diagram on what to do is designed.
5. It was agreed there was way too much information.
6. It was stated that the distrust factor was there but not discussed. It is felt deep within the organization.
7. We will get a small report by the end of the weekend on the discussions. After the meeting is over a final report will be sent to each participant in about 3 weeks.
8. Thoughts on Hispanic, women and recreational players were discussed.
9. Graduation role from youth to adults and better relationships with youth organizations. It was felt the U-20 should come back under the USASA umbrella.
10. Discussion of the recreational tier. It did not work well, the last time.
11. A suggestion the Region 2 be proactive and form their own Task Force. Coaching Program has been proactive in the past three years since Alex has taken over the Coaching education.
12. Brand identify was discussed. USASA logo needs to be put on uniforms and soccer balls, so when people see it they know who is USASA.
13. Discussion for Region II take some action on their own, form a group was suggested one person from each state association.

Regional Conference call Mon 11/23/2009.

Adjourned.

Next meeting at the USSF AGM in New Orleans, LA.

Respectfully, submitted for corrections or additions.

Peggy Polley
Secretary
Midwest Region