

**WSYSA DISTRICT II  
October 24, 2007  
LWSD RESOURCE CENTER**

Present: Shari Tumey, Commissioner; Michael Spong, NYSA Rep; Ed Eldredge, SnVYSA Rep; Jim Vordale, VP of Competition; Connie Nelson, Sec/Treasurer; Jon Addison, EYSA Rep; Martin Doyle, VP of Development.

Not Present: Santa Kriebel, Alternate Commissioner; Joel Hussey, LWYSA Rep

Guest: Alan Michael, EFC

Meeting was called to order at 7:18PM by Shari Tumey, District II Commissioner.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Approval of July Minutes.

**MSC #07 10-1** Vordale/Eldredge - Motion made to accept Minutes as presented. Motion passed.

Approval of August Minutes.

**MSC #07 10-2** Addison/Vordale - Motion made to accept Minutes as presented. Motion passed.

Approval of September Minutes.

**MSC #07 10-3** Vordale/Addison - Motion made to accept Minutes as presented. Motion passed.

**Association Reports:**

**Nelson for Hussey – LWYSA**

- LWSYA has been able to provide 10 more additional fields for the President's Cup.
- LWYSA has a new President, Andy Hill. His term will begin in January.
- Ken Kerwin was elected as the new VP of Programs.

**Addison – EYSA**

- Things going well, biggest issue is the shortage of referees.
- Working on Bylaws possibly enlarging the Board.
- Implemented the 'Mercy Rule'. Teams ahead by more than 5 goals will allow opposing team to add another player into the game. This seems to be helping with the lopsided scoring.
- Robinswood has two new turf fields. Mercer Island will soon have a second turf field with lights.

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Approved at December 12, 2007 BOD Meeting

- Considering a development program at U-11 in each club with the possibility of reshuffling teams every two years.
- Lake Hills President, working with the state Diversity Committee, soon have in place a process to help Hispanic players.
- EFC, Preston fields almost ready to go. Grading is done. Should be playable in November.
- EFC is working on scholarship criteria to help players with fees. The current policy only provides for administration fee. Would like to cover everything including travel, uniforms, club fees, etc. Will work on separate funding for scholarships.

### **Eldredge – SnVYSA**

- Shortage of referees is still an issue.
- Discussed importance of scheduling games requiring the same level of referee license in back to back games in order to make best use of the ref's limited time.
- Suggested moving some age levels to Saturdays, thus reducing the number of games on Sundays, and helping to allow some refs to play on Saturday and be available to ref on Sundays.
- Could use more turf fields above water.

### **Spong– NYSA**

- No report

### **Officer Reports:**

#### **Commissioner – Tumey**

- There will be another Summit in January for Premier and Select teams.
- An additional Summit will be held in Spokane in October.
- Only two associations in the state are not on Bonzi, Northshore and Snoqualmie Valley. To check for RMAs, these associations must go through Ridgestar.
- Amy Wallsmith is the new marketing manager for WSYSA. Speak to her about the 'opt out' clause regarding selling your member's list to marketing companies.
- The Medical Play Down Policy was approved for Presidents' Cup at the state level. Thanks to Deb Sternagel, Northshore Youth Soccer President, for seeing this through.
- Starfire will host the finals for State Cup.
- The Diversity Committee is being very well received throughout the state.
- 2009 will bring MLS to Seattle.
- "See Through The Smoke" is a state program that has over 200 teams involved in stressing the affects of smoking as well as promoting a no smoking attitude. This program is being funded from money received from the tobacco company suit.
- A Recreational Summit will be held in July or August addressing their five biggest concerns.

#### **Alternate Commissioner – Kriebel**

- No report

### **Secretary/Treasurer – Nelson**

- Budget vs. Actual Report was distributed.

### **VP of Competition – Vordale**

- President's Cup is going very well.
- Fields are still a challenge but getting better.
- In good shape for volunteers.
- With Deb, Jim and Santa all working on the President's Cup it is very apparent that this event needs to always be co-chaired.

### **V.P. of Development – Doyle**

- Would like to see a U-11 development program begun at each association with an academy format. Recommends coaches be selected for specific teaching, i.e....midfield coach, striker coach, goalie coach etc.
- There should be no "ownership" of a team by a coach.
- Shari asked Martin to have Mike Margolies, WSYSA VP of Development, make a formal proposal to bring to the next District II meeting for this new U-11 concept to pass along to the associations for consideration and review.
- Once feedback is received, Mike can help with the details and possible implementation at the state level.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- President's Cup going well. Teams really seem to be enjoying it.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- No new business.

Meeting adjourned 9:00PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Connie Nelson, District II Secretary