



Executive Board Meeting Minutes

April 23, 2018

State Office, Monroeville, PA

Present: Keith Renner [KR], Tom Beecher [TBe], Cheryl Bejgrowicz [CB], Thilo Boensch [TBo], Michael Hill [MH], Eric Kowalski [EK], Steve Oberle [SO], Kerry Solomon [KS], Mike Spagnoletti [MS], Derek Zona [DZ]

Present by Phone: Matt Bahr [MB]

Absent: Randy Lowden [RL]

Guests: Tim McCoy [TM], Peggy Neason [PN], Terry Eguaoje [TE]

1. Call to Order:

- Mr. Renner called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM. Mr. Renner declared a quorum present.

2. Minutes:

- The minutes of the March 26, 2018 meeting were approved. TBe made a motion to approve, MS seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

3. President Report:

- It was noted that a match in the International Champions Cup will be held at Heinz Field on 7.25.18. Match will be involve Borussia Dortmund vs Benfica.
- A plan of a new sports complex was handed out to all attendees. KR & TM to meet with developers to discuss the complex and how it would benefit PA West.
- It was noted that there has been a dramatic drop-off in referees since 2008. Further discussion to follow in Referee Report.
- It was noted that a Coaches Report Form can be used to praise referees.

5. VP Youth Report

- TBo to submit report after meeting.

6. VP Adult Report

- The Latin leagues are to send in schedule next week.
- Adult leagues are having issues with referees.

7. Director of Coaching Report

- TE gave a report on the Scotland trip. Overall, it went well. One kid developed food poisoning, was treated and is doing well. Spain sessions are coming.
- TE suggested that we combine the ODP fees with the uniform fee.

- Fields for Pre ODP sessions are a problem.
- All Grassroots sessions registration are available on line.
- KR suggested that ODP Coaches shall take a 4 hr. referee course as part of their development.

8. Executive Director Report

- Refer to attached Executive Director Report

9. Treasurer Report

- TBe reports were distributed to all Board members.
- 2017 Referees Report has not been submitted yet.

10. Committee Reports

- Referee committee reviewed the drop-off of referees recently. Report was presented [copy attached]
- Referees – 4 people to attend USSF Referee Workshop.
- Referees had a March mtg. Discussions developed to break away from USSF.
- Referee audit report needed by TBe.
- Marsha's last day is 5.1.18, Board approved TM to pursue replacement.
- After much review, the airport site was rejected due to several site liabilities.
- Derek requested information from PAW that he hasn't received yet.
- Community – TOPS and Kops n Kids are doing training at some Clubs.

11. Unfinished Business

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12. New Business

- AGM meeting is scheduled for 7.15.18, 1:00 – 4:00 at Marriott – Cranberry. Agenda to be issued 30 days in advance.
- Referees education & how to handle abuse was discussed.
- Discussions involved sources to direct Clubs where they can find answers to any question they may have with respect to Club operations/policies.
- Discussions developed pertaining to age group discussions versus Rec & Classic conflicts. KR to contact USSF to discuss age group problems.
- Upcoming meeting schedule is as follows:

Next Meeting is May 21, 2018 at 6:30 at the State Offices.

July 15, 2018

September 24, 2108

October 22, 2018

November 26, 2018

13. Adjournment: 9:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry E. Solomon
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Executive Board Secretary