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MEETING MINUTES – February 24, 2009

Attendance:

Board – Jan Phillips, Ron Lambalot, Naomi Johnson, Gerrit VanderBend, Jack Alfien
Reps – Hal Uderitz, Michael Murphy, Lance Calloway, Marco Soto, Diane Klebold
Guests – Hans (Shoreline), Todd Linton (SYSA); Dave Schumacher

Meeting called to order 7:10 pm. Minutes from January 2009 approved.

Special Order of Business: Dave Schumacher reported on new online coaching program available through WYS website (similar to Byte-Size Soccer). WYS is looking at providing a video to accompany this program; scheduled to be ready for fall season. Dr. Smoll's program is now available as DVD; currently discussing how to distribute to coaches. WSY is moving forward with the School Outreach program educating PE teachers to instruct soccer age appropriate. Working on this through assemblies and partnering with Sounders.

Board Reports:

Commissioner – At BOD meeting made motion to move U11 tryouts but was voted down. Still working on verbiage for field use policy and will have it ready by March meeting (sample provided, please provide input).

Alternate Commissioner – No report.

Dir. of Competition – Medals are available to be picked up tonight.

Dir. of Development – position vacant.

Treasurer – Draft budget was sent out, contact Gerrit with any questions. We will vote at March AGM.

Secretary – Working on draft calendar for 2009/2010, if any comments please let me know.

Association Reports:

North County – Request sanction for Legacy Netbuster July 9, 10, 11, 12. **M/S/C** to sanction.

Seattle – 1) Request sanction for Shoreline Days tournament August 14, 15, 16; after discussion **M/S/C** to approve with the restrictions that this will be an invitational tournament for lower level select and recreational teams. 2) Continuing to work toward an association wide select program. 3) Spring registration is now closed; have fewer teams than in past. 4) Continue to stress we need more teams in District leagues. Teams/clubs are starting to look at moving to US Club.

Skagit – 1) La Liga has been getting new people involved but takes time to get them up to speed. Still have problems with one coach in particular.

Snohomish – Request sanction for Bigfoot August 13, 14, 15, 16. **M/S/C** to approve.

South County – 1) Have a question on standings when not all scores are in. 2) Concerns that recreational player registration will be affected with select dates moving later.

Whatcom – Not present, no report.

Whidbey – Not present, no report.

Committee Reports:

By-laws/Rules – Proposed changes will be voted on May 10.

Elections – Laurie Myers request we have a representative on this committee.

PDL – Committee is requesting they have their own commissioner and a representative on the Seamless Soccer Committee.

Seamless Soccer – Committee has met and looking at changes to U7 program. Need to define mission statement. Will be meeting again on the 21st or 22nd.

TopSoccer – Would like to integrate teams into the main stream; possibly allowed to play in tournaments?

Old Business:

Elections - Positions up for election are Commissioner, Treasurer, and Director of Competition. Ron is running for Commissioner if elected then we would need to fill the Alternate Commissioner position. Gerrit and Jack have agreed to run again. We still need to fill Director of Development.

New Business:

Fall Season – Based on calls and questions coming in Naomi asked that we decide ASAP if there needs to be any changes to our registration deadlines, length of season, start dates with LPT being moved to July, August. Also have had questions if we are interested in running a spring league?

Meeting adjourned 10:00 pm.

Next meeting, March 31, 2009 at 6 p.m. (dinner will be provided).