



**Illinois Youth Soccer Association**  
Approved Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting  
February 3, 2018  
IYSA Office

Board Members Present: Salvador Arroyo, Gus Bender, Bob Berkley, Flo Dyson, Kelly Fairwood, Dave Hicks, Dale Litney, Jake Mooney, Jane Raede

Board Members Absent and Excused: Charlie Dyson

Guests: Mary Jane Bender, Tim Deters, Chris Jamrozy, Adam Howarth, Meaghan Kinser (recording secretary), Hugh Orlicz, Jay Ray

The regular Board Meeting of the Illinois Youth Soccer Association was called to order by the president, Gus Bender, at 9:00 AM.

**ELECTIONS**

Gus Bender conducted the elections.

**MOTION**

**Bob Berkley moved to approve the slate as presented. The following officers and directors were elected by acclamation.**

<b>President</b>	<b>Gus Bender</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Dave Hicks</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Flo Dyson</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Kelly Fairwood</b>

Gus Bender welcomed Jane Raede to the Board and thanked Stu Kasten for his many years of service on the Board.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Flo Dyson moved to approve the Minutes of the December 9, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting. Minutes were unanimously approved.**

**REFEREE REPORT**

Tim Deters presented the Referee Report. He noted that there are currently 30-35 young referees participating in the youth referee mentoring program. The State Referee Committee is looking for ways to recruit female referees to the youth referee mentoring program.

## **FUTSAL STATE CUP REPORT**

Chris Jamrozy presented the Futsal State Cup Report. He discussed the upcoming Futsal State Cup in Rockford on February 17-18. Qualifying teams will represent Illinois in the US Youth Soccer National Futsal Championship in August.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Flo Dyson presented the Financial Report.

## **MOTION**

**Dave Hicks moved to approve the Financial Report as presented. The Financial Report was unanimously approved.**

## **INVESTMENT REPORT**

Gus Bender presented the Investment Report. Stu Kasten will remain on the Investment Committee.

## **COACHING EDUCATION REPORT**

Adam Howarth presented the Coaching Education Report. He discussed the new changes to the coaching education courses from US Soccer and the challenges to implement the new format.

## **ODP REPORT**

Adam Howarth presented the ODP Report. Seventeen Illinois ODP teams will be participating in the ODP Interstate Tournament comprised of teams from 11 State Associations in Memphis, TN on February 17-18. The Puma Cup on April 6-8 in Rockford will conclude the Illinois ODP. The final event for the Illinois Pre-ODP age group is the Illinois ODP Camp at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb on June 21-24. Wisconsin ODP is committed to bringing teams to this camp.

## **ABUSE PREVENTION**

Mary Jane Bender presented the Abuse Prevention Analysis of the Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017 (Safe Sport Act) that was recently passed by US Senate and House of Representatives and is awaiting the signature by the President.

## **ORGANIZATION STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING**

The Board agreed to include the IYSA Abuse Prevention statement in the Organization Statement of Understanding. Mary Jane Bender will have the statement reviewed by our insurance agent.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mary Jane Bender stated that the Annual IYSA Awards Banquet will be on March 2, 2018 at the Stonegate Conference Center in Hoffman Estates. The following speakers have been confirmed:

- Lynn Berling-Manuel, United Soccer Coaches
- John Urban, Chicago Fire
- Frank Tschan, US Soccer Federation

- Arnim Whisler, Chicago Red Stars
- Chicago Red Stars Player TBD

Mary Jane Bender reported that the IYSA will be conducting a 7v7 coaching course for the Illinois Fire on February 24 in Bloomington, IL. In attendance will be Congressman Darin Lahood of the 18<sup>th</sup> Congressional District and the Co-Chair of the Congressional Soccer Caucus. The Caucus includes members of Congress and their staff and works to promote, educate and raise awareness about issues pertaining to soccer.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board went into Executive Session at 11:58 AM and exited the Executive Session at 12:25 PM.

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Board Meetings of Illinois Youth Soccer are scheduled on April 14, July 14, September 15 and December 8.

Gus Bender declared the Board Meeting adjourned at 12:50 PM.