



Illinois Youth Soccer Association
Approved Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
February 8, 2020
IYSA Office

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

Guests: Johann Arnason, Barb Baumgartner, Mary Jane Bender, Chris Jamrozy, Lori Johnson, Ale Jurado, Meaghan Kinser (recording secretary), Martin Kramer, Katie O'Malley, Rob Paneral

The regular Board Meeting of the Illinois Youth Soccer Association was called to order by the president, Gus Bender, at 8:58 AM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gus Bender moved to approve the Minutes of the December 7, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting. Minutes were unanimously approved.

ELECTIONS

Gus Bender conducted the elections.

MOTION

The following officers and directors were elected by acclamation.

President	Gus Bender
Vice President	Dave Hicks
Treasurer	Flo Dyson
Secretary	Kelly Fairwood

FINANCIAL REPORT

Martin Kramer and Lori Johnson presented the Financial Report.

INVESTMENTS REPORT

Rob Paneral presented the Investments Report.

REFEREE REPORT

Barb Baumgartner presented the Referee Report. She discussed the instructions to access the US Soccer Learning Center and the many challenges encountered during this transition.

MARKETING & EVENTS REPORT

Chris Jamrozy presented the Marketing and Events Report. He presented the Spring schedule including the must play dates for State Cup, Presidents Cup, and Illinois Cup. Illinois received 3 wild card spots for the 2020 Midwest Regional Presidents Cup: 17U Girls, 19U Girls, and 18U Boys. IYSA just learned that the Fall 2021 the Midwest Conference will include a 13U Division for all teams instead of the teams who played 13U in the Spring. There will be no Premier I, Premier II or 1st Division in the Fall; teams will be split into divisions and the result from the Fall season will determine their placement into Premier I, Premier II or 1st Division in the Spring season. Changes to how teams qualify for the Midwest Conference would have to be determined. The proposed changes will be emailed to the board before the upcoming Coaches Connection meeting on March 4. Chris reported that the Illinois Futsal State Cup was successful.

SOCCER FOR SUCCESS REPORT

Ale Jurado presented the Soccer for Success Report. The Soccer for Success program started a new grant for 2019/2020 that will run through the Summer of 2021. She was pleased to report that the program was selected for a pilot program on March 1 that will introduce a new curriculum for social and emotional learning.

OFFICE REPORT

Mary Jane Bender presented the Office Report. She was appointed by US Youth Soccer to head the Diversity and Inclusion Task Force which developed a policy for consideration by the US Youth Soccer Board of Directors. In celebration of the 100 year anniversary of the 19th Amendment which gave women the right to vote, Illinois Youth Soccer started a campaign to inspire women to play soccer and to pursue careers in soccer as coaches, referees, and leaders.

RECREATIONAL LEAGUE APPROVAL

The Board approved the following leagues as Illinois Youth Soccer recreational member league:

- **SASA Youth Recreational League**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into Executive Session at 11:40 AM and exited the Executive Session at 12:55 PM.

NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

The next Board Meetings of Illinois Youth Soccer are scheduled on April 18, August 1, October 24, and December 5.

Gus Bender declared the Board Meeting adjourned at 1 PM.