

**Oklahoma Soccer Association  
Amateur Division Mid-year Membership Meeting  
The Westin Hotel, Oklahoma City, OK  
January 25, 2002**

**I. Welcome and Introductions**

Chris Wilson, President of the OSA Amateur Division called the meeting to order at 8:10 PM.

Attendance:

Central Oklahoma Adult Soccer League (COASL) - Jacque Damrill  
Oklahoma Collegiate Club Soccer League (OCCSL) - Jalal Daneshfar  
North east Oklahoma Adult Soccer Association (NEOASA) - Rob Brightenstein  
Ponca City Soccer Association (PCSA) - Larry Love  
State Amateur Division President - Chris Wilson  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - Paul Thomas  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - same as Rep for OCCSL  
Secretary Registrar - Steve Scott

Guests:

State Referee Administrator - Mike Sheriff  
OSA President - Gordon Wilson

**II. Approval of the Minutes**

Minutes from the last membership meeting were distributed. A motion to accept was made by Rob Brightenstein (NEOASA) and seconded by Jalal Daneshfar. The motion carried unanimously.

**III. Reports**

- a. President's Report - Chris Wilson reported that he will be attending the USASA Mid-Year Meeting in Tampa Florida at the end of February. Some major items for discussion will be the fee increase, National Cups, and Select Teams.

New this year, the rules have changed for International Clearances. Any player who was not born in the United States and came to the United States after their twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) birthday must have international clearance to participate in any form of affiliated play.

Finally a reminder that the State Amateur Championships will be held in Edmond, OK in conjunction with the Youth State Finals, June 1 & 2, 2002. There are a few details to still work out, including referees, but it seems to be well received by all.

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- b. **1st Vice President / Select Team Committee** - Paul Thomas reported that Select Teams will be starting up again in the Spring 2002. Duanne Cummings will return as the Men's Select Team Coach. Peter McGahey, the new OSA Director of Player Development, will check on creating a U20 team from the U19 girls available in the state. He also reported that the Regional Tournament will be held in Dallas, Texas this year which should increase the turnout for try-outs.

On the National side, the Donnelly Cup was eliminated from Select Team Competition this year. It was decided by the USASA Executive Committee that it did not meet the definition for player development.

Tony Tomas was chosen for one of the slots on the Men's National Amateur Select Team to attend the MLS Combine in Florida. They will play the KC Wizards, NY/NJ Metrostars, and the Colorado Rapids.

- c. **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President / Collegiate Club Soccer** - Jalal Daneshfar reported that the season begins on March 2, 2002 with seven teams and is scheduled to end on May 11, 2002. UCO represented the state in the NIRISA Regionals in Wichita Kansas in 2001.

There is a new American Collegiate Club Soccer Association affiliated with USASA.

- IV. **State Referee Administrator Report** - Mike Sheriff gave a report that Oklahoma has four National Referees that attended a national camp in Houston. They were Reza Namavar, Brent Hall, Ryan Cigich and Paul Scott.

Mr. Sheriff reported that the referees may be a problem for the Sate Championships because of the lack of qualified referees that can do the number of games that take place that weekend.

- V. **Old Business**

All paperwork from the provisional member Ponca City Soccer Association, has been turned in for review to Chris Wilson by Larry Love. A review is underway and will be presented to the Membership for final approval during the May AGM.

**VI. New Business**

A motion was made by Jalal Daneshfar (OCCSL) to "accept Lawton United Soccer Club a provision member of the OSA Amateur Division until all papers, including by-laws and application have been received by OSA and accepted by the membership." The motion was seconded by Rob Brightenstein (NEOASA) and the motion passed unanimously. The by-laws will be forwarded to OSA for review and will be presented for final approval in May at the AGM.

**VII. Budget**

- a. The USSF membership voted in August of 2001 to approve a \$0.50 increase beginning in the Fall of 2001. A motion was made by Jacque Damrill (COASL) to "approve a \$0.50 increase retroactive back to the Fall 2001 season for all amateur division players in Oklahoma Soccer Association." The motion was seconded by Jalal Daneshfar (OCCSL) and it passed unanimously.
- b. Chris Wilson presented detailed budget narrative to help understand the new USASA fee proposal. The USASA Fee proposal creates on player registration fee of \$6.00 per player plus injury insurance (currently \$7.75 per player). The current registration fee was divided into parts: 1) Recreational, made up of both a \$65.00 team fee, a \$25.00 Liability fee and a \$25.00 Team fee. The fee equaled to approximately \$12.78 per player based on 18 players; or 2) Premier at 15.78 per player by addition \$3.00 per player.

OSA charges \$20.00 per player to fund their activities. Mr. Wilson also presented a detailed budget narrative of all costs associated with being affiliated with USASA and OSA including mandatory travel costs to meetings, tournaments and events, office costs, etc,

After the USASA mid-year meeting, Wilson will report on the vote of the membership and a new budget will be prepared for the 2002-2003 budget year based on the new fees.

**VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 PM.**

Respectfully submitted by Steve Scott, Secretary/Registrar.