

**Oklahoma Soccer Association
Amateur Division Board Meeting
7:00 PM, June 18, 2002
Best Western Hotel, Stroud, OK**

Attendance:

Present: Chris Wilson – President
Paul Thomas – 1st Vice President
Jalal Daneshfar – 2nd Vice President
Absent: Steve Scott – Secretary/Registrar

Board Member Designates:

Brain Vierthaler – 1st Vice President Designate
Raymond Daniel – Secretary/Registrar Designate

Guests:

Mike Sheriff, State Referee Administrator
Rob Breitenstein - President, NEOASA
Sid Goodrich – OSA Executive Director
Gordon Wilson – OSACHairman

- I. The meeting was called to order by Chris Wilson at 7:20 PM
- II. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the last Amateur Division Board Meeting from April 30, 2002 by Jalal Daneshfar and seconded by Paul Thomas. The motion passed unanimously.
- III. **State Cup Participation**
 - A. The Board members were pleased with the results of the Amateur State Cup. The combined format of Youth and Amateur divisions proved to be successful. Players from participating teams were also pleased with the Amateur State Cup format. Mike Sheriff urged board members to decide the future format of Amateur State Cup as soon as possible.

Rob Breitenstein (NEOASA) suggested abolishing the Amateur State Cup format and adapting to year round robin Premier League format. Gordon Wilson (OSA) suggested having more eligible teams participate in the State Amateur State Cup.

A motion was made by Chris Wilson to participate in State Cup 2003 and was seconded by Paul Thomas. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Reports

A. Select Team Program

Paul Thomas reported on the OSA Men's and Women's Select Team that participated in The Regional Select Team in Dallas, June 8 & 9 2002.

- The Oklahoma Men's Amateur Select team did not perform well due to the lack players that showed up for the tournament. Another problem affecting team performance was the dropping out of the assigned coach at the last minute. The Men's Team lost all 3 of their matches.
- The Oklahoma Women's Amateur Select team surprised everyone with an outstanding performance. They won their first match by beating tournament favorites Florida 2-0. They gave a tough fight against North Texas on their second match but lost 1 – 0. Their 3rd and final match was crucial and the ladies held Georgia to a scoreless draw. Despite the excellent performance, North Texas beat Oklahoma by points differences and advanced to the final match to meet Tennessee.

B. Apparel Sponsorship

There are 2 major sponsors that OSA is considering selecting for their apparel sponsor

- ADIDAS - Offering 35 cents per registered youth player, which comes out to approximately \$14,000 per year. There is no allocation for Amateur Division.
- SCORE
 - i. Our current sponsor with a 4-year contract.
 - ii. Provides 2 sets of Uniforms for ODP
 - iii. Donates T-Shirts and other apparel on regular basis
 - iv. Produces coaching manual for OSA
 - v. Provides uniforms and coaching apparel at reduced cost.

Opinions from the Executive Board and the Youth & Amateur Boards are required before any decisions are made.

V. Budget Review

Chris Wilson stressed that the State Amateur Division cannot overspend on the allocated budget. He also recommended growth in Amateur division membership in order to meet the division's needs. Hand-outs were provided to the Board members to review for the next meeting including Budget Narratives and Worksheets.

VI. Summer League

- Chris Wilson advised the board members to revisit the idea of charging \$12.50 per player for summer league.
- Lake Overholser is interested in organizing a Summer League.
- Chris Wilson suggested that board members discuss fee establishment for the next summer league.
- Motion was made by Paul Thomas and seconded by Jalal Daneshfar to table the discussion of the Summer League to the next Board Meeting.
- Motion was made by Jalal Daneshfar and seconded by Paul Thomas to drop the collection of 2001 Summer League's fees.

VII. Board Member Orientation

- Sid Goodrich presented an overview and orientation of the Oklahoma Soccer Association to new and current Amateur Division board members. The presentation covered a wide range of subjects ranging from history of OSA, Budget and Financial Statement, Sponsorship, Organizational Hierarchy and more. Please refer to **Attachment A** for more details.

VIII. Old Business

- Mike Sheriff reported on the excellent job performed by OSA referees (Brent Hall, Reza,) officiating the Amateur Regional Tournament. Following are some of the issues that were discussed:
 1. Establishing a standard on OSA's Amateur Division referees
 2. Implementing a strict policy on foul languages and uniforms.
 3. Suggestion was made for the OSA Amateur Division referees to have a collegiate assessment.
 4. Suggestion was made to establish a stringent rule on checking player's pass against game roaster before match.

IX. New Business

- A motion was made by Chris Wilson and seconded by Jalal Daneshfar to set next OSA Amateur Division Board Meeting in Best Western Hotel, Stroud, Oklahoma at 7 pm, June 27th 2002. The motion was passed unanimously.

X. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Paul Thomas and seconded by Jalal Daneshfar at 10:30 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by Raymond Daniel

Attachments: Attachment A (OSA overview and orientation)

OSA OVERVIEW AND ORIENTATION

- I.** History and Organization in the U.S.
 - A.** US Soccer (U.S.S.F)
 - 1. US Youth - 3.1 million players.
 - 2. USASA – 250,000 players
 - B.** Youth Division vs. Amateur Division – OSA 35 years old
 - 1. Oklahoma Countries vs. Leagues
 - 2. Registration
 - a) Youth 39,000
 - b) Amateur 2,100
 - c) Coaches 4,100
 - d) Referees 1,600
- II.** OSA and Bylaws, 501 (c) 3 – Non Profit Organization
 - A.** Operations of Organizations – OSA and Amateurs
 - B.** Duties of Amateur Board Positions
 - C.** Executive, Youth and Amateurs
 - 1. Board Member Listing (Phone List)
- III.** Budget and Financial Statement
 - A.** Developed, maintained oversight by Amateur Board
 - B.** OSA Treasurer review by the Executive Board
 - C.** Office/Executive Board Overhead (Transfer) is 6% of Total.
- IV.** OSA Office
 - A.** Office Organizational Chart
 - B.** Office Responsibilities (Directory)
 - C.** Policy – Direction (Board) vs. Administration (Office employees)

V. Sponsorships and Grants

A. Divisional vs. General

VI. General Orientation

A. Expense Report

1. Approved by president or responsible Board Member
2. Turned in after event with receipts
3. Mileage - \$0.30/mile
4. Per Diem - \$30.00/Day: \$5/10/15
5. Other – Auto rental approved prior by Chris and/or board

B. Travel/Airline – Arrangements need to be made

C. Office Support/projects

1. 9 a.m.- 5 p.m./ Availability as needed
 - a) Phone/Fax/Copier/Internet
2. Office Personal – Will assist as needed – communicate through Sid Goodrich
 - a) Coordinate Projects.