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May 12, 2009

Executive Board Chairman Gordon Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm via conference phone.

Present at the meeting were Gordon Wilson, Randy Donalson, Gail Wettstein, Sid Goodrich, Scott Hughes, Matt Fansher, Rob Breitenstein, and Dale Watts.

Minutes of the April 14, 2009 meeting were approved as submitted on motion by Randy Donalson and second by Rob Breitenstein.

REPORTS

Chairman Gordon Wilson: No report

Vice Chairman Gail Wettstein: No report

Secretary/Treasurer: financial report to be distributed later

President Youth Division Scott Hughes: Written report to be submitted

President Adult Division Rob Breitenstein: Announced that the Adult State Cup was canceled.

SRA Parris Sanders – Written report

Advisor Randy Donalson: No report

Risk Management Traci Frederick: No report

Executive Director Sid Goodrich: Written report

Director of Player Development and Coach Education Matt Fansher: Written report

Assistant Director of Coaching Mark Shannon: No report

Director of Publications Dale Watts: Written report

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of AGM on May 30 at Stroud's Best Western.

Soccer City sponsorship was discussed.

Youth scholarships discussed and delayed until AGM discussion on funding.

NEW BUSINESS

Atoka Soccer Club application was approved on a motion by Rob Breitenstein and second by Scott Hughes. The application now goes to the Youth Board.

Workshop 2010 will be February 5-7, 2010 at the Sheraton in downtown OKC.

Stroud Soccer Club application approved by Frontier Country and by the Youth Board.

Request made to invite the Stroud officers to the AGM.

Meeting adjourned 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Dale Watts

The Treasurer's report /financials/2009-10 budget work sheets for April are being completed and will be emailed later this week.

The following is the office report for April:

1. Attended the Kohl's & Governor's Tournament in Lawton on May 2-3 .
 - 112 teams attended – 9% increase over the 2008 tournament
 - Phone contacts to all the recreational coaches in over 35 clubs.
 - Lawton did an excellent job in hosting & preparation for the event.
 - The Kohl's Experience Vehicle was on site with much fun by all.
 - Despite weather concerns throughout the weekend, we were able the play without delays
 - Thank you to all board, staff, referees & Lawton Soccer Club in working together in making the Kohl's/Governor's another great recreational event this year.
2. Attended both weekends of the President's Cup Tournament on April 25-26 & May 9.
 - Assisted in pre-tournament/registration/on-site needs.
 - Team check-in/Tulsa April 22.
 - Arrangements for President's Regional Tournament June 12-14 in Greer, SC.
3. Continuing to assemble/arrange needs and attend the State Cup Tournament on May 16-17 & May 23-24.
 - Pre-tournament registration May 13 – Tulsa/May 14 OKC.
 - Arrangement for Regional Tournament in Dallas June 18-24
4. Working with Midwest Sporting Goods appear to be going well.
 - Reduced tournament t-shirt cost with additional selection
 - On-line tournament sales increasing from President's Cup to State Cup
5. Working with the Atoka County Soccer Club
 - Application for membership and bylaws received – see new business.
6. Attended an award ceremony in Owasso for COY David Yates on April 14.
7. Will be instructing at the ODP Goalkeeper's Camp at OU on June 14-18.
8. Completing Spring 2009 OPL games.
 - Finishing all reports/records/re-schedules
 - Current with all referee payments
9. OSA Workshop 2010 & 2011 at the OKC Downtown Sheraton Hotel (site of 2006 Workshop)
 - 2010 - February 5-7.
 - 2011 – January 28-20.

**SRC REPORT
CONFERENCE CALL, MAY 12, 2009**

THE SRC LAST MET VIA CONFERENCE CALL ON MAY 6, 2009. WE DISCUSSED THE PRESIDENT'S CUP TOURNAMENT FINALS WEEKEND, WHICH WAS HELD AT THE EDMOND SOCCER CLUB ON MAY 9.

ON MAY 9, THE PRESIDENT'S CUP FINALS WERE CONDUCTED TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION WITH MINIMAL REFEREE PROBLEMS. WE CONDUCTED OUR FIRST PRE-TOURNAMENT MEETING VIA ALL-STATE VIDEO CONFERENCE. WE HAD MORE REFEREES ATTEND THAN ANY STATE PRE-TOURNAMENT MEETING IN RECENT YEARS.

ON MAY 2, THE KOHL'S CUP AND GOVERNOR'S CUP WAS CONDUCTED TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION WITH MINIMAL REFEREE PROBLEMS.

ON APRIL 25, THE PRESIDENT'S CUP PRELIMINARIES WERE CONDUCTED TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION WITH MINIMAL REFEREE PROBLEMS.

ON EXAMINATION OF THE FIRST 3 OF 5 STATE TOURNAMENTS FOR YOUTHS THIS YEAR, WE HAVE EXPERIENCED A PHENONENOM CAUSED BY OVERSCHEDULING OF EVENTS WHICH HAS LED TO A SEVERE LACK OF AVAILABLE REFEREES TO COVER UPPER LEVEL AND STATE LEVEL MATCHES. CONFLICTING EVENTS HAVE PUT A TREMENDOUS STRAIN ON ASSIGNORS AND SUBSEQUENTLY ON UPPER LEVEL REFEREES.

WE RECOMMEND THAT THE VARIOUS SCHEDULING GROUPS CONVENE TO CREATE A 3-5 YEAR SCHEDULE THAT COULD POSSIBLY ALLEVIATE THES CONFLICTS.

FURTHERMORE, THE PRACTICE OF RELEASING STATE TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES TO THE SRC JUST A FEW DAYS BEFORE THE TOURNAMENT SEVERELY HANDICAPS OUR EFFORTS TO ADEQUATELY UTILIZE OUR RESOURCES. WE WOULD PREFER TO HAVE THE SCHEDULES 7 to 14 DAYS PRIOR TO THE TOURNAMENT. A SUGGESTION HAS BEEN RAISED TO INSTILL A FIRM 'CLOSE DATE' FOR TOURNAMENT APPLICATIONS, A POLICY THAT SHOULD BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

WE PLAN TO MEET WITH THE ADULT BOARD AFTER THE STATE TOURNAMENT SERIES TO DISCUSS COORDINATION OF EFFORTS ON SCHEDULING OF EVENTS TO SOLVE THE REFEREE CRUNCH. WE DECIDED TO SUSPEND THE 'PRIORITY LIST' OF GAMES' STATUS DURING THIS PERIOD OF STATE TOURNAMENTS, COLLEGE- LEAGUE POST SEASON, AND ADULT LEAGUE SEMI AND FINALS GAMES IN FAVOR OF AN OPEN DOOR POLICY TO SHARE THE ASSIGNMENTS OF THESE REFEREES.

THE SRC AND YOUTH BOARD DISCUSSED THESE ISSUES AT A MEETING AT THE PRESIDENT'S CUP FINALS WEEKEND. THE SRC RECOMMENDS THAT WE EXTEND THE SPAN OF PARTICIPANTS INTO A DISCUSSION THAT INCLUDES ALL GROUPS INVOLVED WITH SCHEDULING OF STATEWIDE EVENTS.

THANK YOU
PARRIS SANDERS
SRA



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Director of Publications Report – May 2009

Smoke Signals

- May issue is currently online and a link to the newsletter will be emailed to all OSA members via Got Soccer.
- May issue is camp issue and the number of camps continues to grow. Currently show over 60 soccer camps in Oklahoma during the summer months.
- Deadline for the July issue is June 15. The July issue is the championship issue with photos of all the state tournament champions. Team photos from Governor's Cup will be provided by the local photographer from Lawton. Parker Photos will again provide team photos for President's Cup and State Cup.

Web site

Summary by Month										
Month	Daily Avg				Monthly Totals					
	Hits	Files	Pages	Visits	Sites	KBytes	Visits	Pages	Files	Hits
May 2009	65265	39373	3763	1207	6361	14226021	13281	41403	433109	717916
Apr 2009	50657	28392	3230	990	11947	28153627	29705	96908	851779	1519716
Mar 2009	36459	21359	2477	765	10420	22553723	23743	76800	662143	1130246
Feb 2009	36067	20489	2245	700	7893	18320669	16109	51639	471269	

- The above chart shows web history from February through first part of May. As we enter the tournament period, our visits jump accordingly.
- Site was beneficial for tournaments as schedules, standings, and scores were posted during the tournaments.
- Site also was used to provide information on weather and delays and rescheduled matches.

Miscellaneous

- Attended State Director of Instruction and State Director of Assessment Workshop at Colorado Springs along with Milo Slater. USSF has heard the demands of the US Youth and most of the new material distributed at the Workshop was geared to youth with numerous youth clips and emphasis on how the misconduct appearing at youth levels must be stopped by officials. Few changes to the Laws of the Game are expected for 2010.

May 2009–Director of Coaching Education & Player Development

Matt Fansher

ODP

- All age groups have received notifications about this summer and just trying to stay on top of all of the responses, questions, etc.
- Working on blackout dates for tryouts and training days for 2009/2010. Have sent emails to all current staff and Directors of Coaching asking for dates to avoid.
- Upcoming events:
 - North Texas Sub-Regional: June 5-7
 - Oklahoma Sub-Regional camp: June 14-18
 - Regional camp: July 4-17

Coaching Education

- D course dates for Spring are set:
 - OKC: May 29-31 & June 12-14
- Fall “D” course – still reviewing options for host site.
- Approved to host the C license this summer August 1-9, 2009.
- Joint hosting a National Youth License with Arkansas in Ft. Smith. Dates: Friday, December 4 – Sunday, December 6 & Friday, December 11 – Sunday, December 18.

Other items

1. 2009 State tournaments;
 - a. Kohl’s Festival – completed in Muskogee and Lawton
 - b. Governors Cup – completed in Lawton
 - c. Presidents Cup Prelims – completed in Norman
 - d. Presidents Cup Finals – completed in Edmond
 - e. State Cup Prelims – May 15-17 @ Broken Arrow
 - f. State Cup Finals – May 23 & 24 @ Broken Arrow
2. Have ordered soccer balls to be used at State tournaments and coaching courses. They will have the OSA logo on them.
3. OSA Goalkeeper camp dates have been set and put online to do registration through GotSoccer.
 - Under 14 – Under 19 will be June 14-16
 - Under 9 – Under 13 will be June 14-16