

Mid-Ohio Select Soccer League
Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
January 23, 2005

MOSSL Office, 810 Busch Court

Meeting called order by Jim Sturm at 5:30 PM

Executive members present:

Jim Sturm, Jim Cline, Mark Irwin, Bill Slade, Mike Sabol, Linda Ferris

Minutes prepared by Linda Ferris

Roll-Call: Leagues Present

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| COSA | Groveport | Olentangy | Southwest |
| CESA | Hilliard | Pataskala | Union County |
| Dublin | Lancaster | Pickerington | WASA |
| Flash | Mt.Vernon | Plain Township | Worthington |
| Gahanna | Newark | Reynoldsburg | |
| Grove City | NCA | Riverside | |

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Secretary's Report- presented by Linda Ferris

CESA/NCA moved/seconded to approve the July 13, 2004 minutes as presented.

Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Treasurer's Report- presented by Mark Irwin

Mark Irwin reviewed the budget for 2005. Pickerington /WASA moved/seconded to approve the 2005 budget as presented. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Vice President of Conduct Report -presented by Bill Slade

Bill stated that all complaints from game cards have been addressed. The grievance committee held 5 hearings; one appeal has been filed. MOSSL is waiting to hear the outcome of the appeal.

Vice President of Competition Report – presented by Bill Muryn

Bill stated that there are problems with the tournaments being held over two weekends the format will return to three weekends in the fall.

Registrar's Report – presented by Mike Sabol

Mike reported an all time high in member of players. Mike indicated the 2.11 rule has been used as it was intended. He reminded the league members not to wait until the deadline to make changes to the roster.

Vice President of Administration and Planning Report - presented Jim Cline

Jim informed the membership an offer of \$18,000.00 an acre submitted by the first interested party was accepted on the parcel of land located off of East Broad. MOSSL will continue to search for a parcel of land to develop.

President's Report – presented by Jim Sturm

- The OSYSA board meeting was held on December 4th, 2004. An election of officers was held, reelected is Jim Cline, newly elected is Solly Hilton. Bill Muryn did not seek reelection.
- On December 15, 2004, a coaches round table discussion was held at the MOSSL office. Topics of discussion included but not limited to; allowing both teams to substitute at the same time in the U-9 & U-10's.
- On January 8th, a meeting was held to revisit the possibility of the Classic Division. This meeting was well attended with many of the coaches interested in a higher division in MOSSL. The discussion included but not limited to; the possibility of a 6 game schedule, and not play in the MOSSL tournament.
- Referee signups will be held beginning on February 6th at the MOSSL office.
- Coaches Seminars will be posted on the Ohio South web site.
- MOSSL will once again publish the tryout magazine.

NEW BUSINESS

Item A) Amend Section VII of Constitution & Section 6.4 of bylaws; Jim Sturm reviewed the request that was sent 30 day prior to amend Section VII of the Constitution & Section 6.4 of the bylaws. NCSL/CESA moved/seconded to amend the Constitution as presented. Any changes in the Constitution requires a 2/3 majority, a vote by show of hands was taken. Motion to amend Section VII of the Constitution & Section 6.4 of the bylaws passed by hand vote 22 for.

The amended Section VIII of the Constitution & Section 6.4 of the bylaws now reads as follows:

ARTICLE VIII
Committees

1. Executive Committee.

The elected officers of the Corporation shall comprise an Executive Committee that shall be responsible for the day to day activities of the Corporation. The President of the Corporation shall be the Chairperson of the Executive Committee.

2. Grievance Committee.

A Grievance Committee, which shall consist of members of the Executive Committee, and if deemed appropriate by Vice President – Conduct, up to two additional persons as may be needed to make a decision in a particular matter, shall be formed to rule on all questions of conduct, eligibility, other matters relating to competition, or violation of the Administrative Bylaws.

The Vice President – Conduct shall act as the Chairman of the Grievance Committee. The President, or his/her designee, shall not be a member of the Grievance Committee but shall rather represent the interests of MOSSL, as a league, in the matter before the Grievance Committee. All parties directly involved in the hearing shall be; given proper notice of the hearing as outlined in the administrative bylaws, given the opportunity to present witnesses and documents as they relate to the matter before the committee, given the opportunity to question witnesses and documents that are presented to the committee for the committee's consideration and to make statements to the committee as they relate to the matter being considered by the committee.

The Grievance Committee shall have the authority to act or not act upon any matter that is brought before it based upon the preponderance of the evidence submitted. The Grievance Committee may act upon any complaint when presented in writing to M.O.S.S.L. or when the Grievance Committee acts upon its own initiative.

The decision reached by the Grievance Committee, as determined by the majority of the members of the committee, shall be final and binding on all member leagues of the Corporation and on all participants of M.O.S.S.L. who are involved in the matter under consideration by the Grievance Committee unless appealed to the O.S.Y.S.A. within the time limits prescribed by the established appeals procedures of the O.S.Y.S.A. Such appeal shall act as a stay of the imposition of any sanction only until the appeal is adjudicated by O.S.Y.S.A.

Other Committees.

The President or Board of Trustees may establish such committees, either ad hoc or permanent, as is deemed appropriate to further the purpose of the Corporation as outlined in Article I.

Item B) Amend Section 7.5.3 of bylaws: Jim Sturm discussed the issues that prompted the need to amend bylaw 7.5.3. WASA/Flash moved/seconded to amend bylaw 7.5.3 as presented. No discussion from the floor. Voice vote was taken. With dissent 2 opposed, motion passes by voice vote.

Bylaw 7.5.3 now reads as follows:

7.5.3 *To be considered as a certified referee, the referee must currently be registered with U.S. Soccer Federation.*

7.5.3.1 *In addition, all referees working during M.O.S.S.L. games must be able to have a demonstrable ability to use basic English verbal and written skills as those skills would relate to working as a referee of youth soccer games within M.O.S.S.L. The Executive Committee shall develop the necessary procedures by which the required minimum level of English verbal and written skills is to be determined.*

Item C) Amend Section 7.10 of bylaws: This amendment was prompted by a coaches round table discussion as presented in the President's Report. Pataskala/Grove City moved/ seconded to amend 7.10 as presented. No discussion from the floor. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Bylaw 7.10 now reads as follows:

7.10 *Players may be substituted during a game as follows:*

- a. After a goal is scored for either team.*
- b. Prior to a goal kick by either team.*
- c. Prior to the kick off of the second half.*
- d. After receiving a yellow card.*
- e. Prior to a throw-in that is in the favor of the team that will be substituting a player.*
- f. In U-9 and U-10 games only, if a player for the opposing team is at the mid-field flag awaiting to be a substitute when the team that is awarded a throw-in has a substitute to enter the game, the substitute for the opposing team may also enter the game. If the team that has been awarded a throw-in, does not have a substitute, then neither team may substitute a player.*

Re-Admission of Marion Soccer Club as member of MOSSL.

The board was informed a new group has taken over the select soccer program in Marion. They have posted a performance bond and presented letters of support. As of this time they are submitting one U-14 girls team. Flash/WASA moved/seconded to accept re-admission of the Marion Soccer Club. No discussion from the floor. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Inclusion of West Virginia U-14 & 15 Boys to play in spring 2005 MOSSL league play
Flash/WASA moved/seconded to allow West Virginia U14 & 15 boys teams to play in MOSSL league play for the Spring 2005 season. There was discussion from the floor. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Seeding of Girls Teams for the Spring 2005- conducted by Jim Cline

Request to allow OP Green U9 to play in the U-10 division. Flash/WASA moved/seconded. There was discussion from the floor. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Request to allow OP Green U-10 to play in the U-11 division. Hilliard/Flash moved/seconded, there was no discussion from the floor. Motion passed with one vote of opposition.

Request to allow U-11 Blast to play in the U-12 division. Flash/Olentangy moved/seconded. There was no discussion from the floor. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

WASA/Olentangy moved/seconded to adopt the changes and accept the seeding of the girls teams for the Spring 2005 MOSSL season as presented. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Seeding of Boys Teams for the Spring 2005 season.

Request to allow Blast U-12 to play in the U13 division. Hilliard/Flash moved/seconded, there was no discussion from the floor. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Classic Division U-13 boys Arsenal and Blast should play in the "A" Division not in the Classic Division. NCSL/ WASA moved/seconded, there was discussion from the floor. Motion passed by voice vote with 2 votes of opposition.

Request to allow Dublin Mutiny U-14 to play in the U-15 division. Dublin/Grove Port moved/seconded, there was no discussion from the floor. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Classic Division U-14 eliminate the Classic Division in this age group. WASA/Hilliard moved/seconded , there was no discussion from the floor. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Hilliard/CESA moved/seconded to adopt the changes and accept the seeding of boy's teams for the Spring2005 MOSSL season as presented. There was no discussion from the floor. Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

WASA/NCSL moved /seconded to accept the following nominees, and elect them to the offices' listed;

President - Jim Sturm

Vice President of Competition - Bill Muryn

Registrar - Mike Sabol

Treasurer - Mark Irwin

The above listed officers were elected by acclamation.

For the Good of The Game:

Mt. Vernon will host an "E" license clinic. Check the website for dates.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.