**Seattle Youth Soccer Association**

**Minutes for SYSA Board of Commissioners Special Meeting held on August 23, 2021 via teleconference**

**Officers, commissioners and staff attending the meeting:**

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| **President** | David Funke | x | **Ballard** | Luke Giustra | \* |
| **VP Administration** | Keith Leitich | x | **Beacon Hill** | Keith Leitich | x |
| **Secretary** | Phil Herold | x | **Capitol Hill** | **Perry Lee** | **\*** |
| **Treasurer** | John Clark |  | **Hillwood** | **Phil Herold** | **x** |
| **VP Operations** |  |  | **Lake City** | Dave Farber | x |
| **VP Development Rec** | Ann Davison | x | **LVR** | Greg Parker |  |
| **VP Competition** | Corey McNamee | x | **Magnolia** | Stephanie Skinner | x |
|  |  |  | **McGilvra** | Jeff Scott | x |
| **Disciplinary Chair** | Steve Kuhn |  | **Mt Baker** | Shannon Palmer | x |
| **SSRA SYSA Liaison** | Larry Metz |  | **Queen Anne** | Ryan Hall | x |
| **Seattle United Rep** |  |  | **Seattle United** | Kevin Long | x |
| **SYSA Cup Rep** | Anne Bare | x | **Shorelake** | Kris Espinoza | x |
| **MAR (Rep to State)** | Phil Herold | x | **Woodland** | Mitch Furuglyas | x |
| \*Shelly Chinn represented Capitol Hill, Corey McNamee represented Ballard. | | | | | |
| **Executive Director** | David Griffiths | x | **Scheduler** | Jessica Beckton | x |
| **SYSA Registrar** | Paige Blomso | x | **Volunteer Coord** | Andrew Westmark |  |
| **Assistant Registrar** | Anne Bare | x | **Bookkeeper** | Michele Authier |  |
| **Assistant Registrar** | Julie Irwin |  |  |  |  |

Guests/others present: Ben Eckhardt, Magnolia

**Noted for the record:**

This was a special meeting called by McGilvra and Capitol Hill. All commissioners present had been informed of the meeting by email and waived their notice, effectively giving their consent to be notified by other than telegram or postal mail as required by the SYSA bylaws concerning special meetings.

**Special Meeting Call to Order**

Called to order at 6:04 pm

**Business of the Special Meeting**

McGilvra motioned, and Capitol Hill seconded the following:

To reduce Covid-19 transmission, SYSA requires that all players and coaches in unvaccinated age groups (B/G U10-U12) in association play wear a suitable face covering during games and practices for the 2021 Fall Season and City Tournament.

All clubs present explained their viewpoints. Enforcement methods were proposed and discussed. With no further requests to speak from the commissioners, Funke declared discussion closed and called for the vote. The vote of the commissioners present was six votes in favor, six votes against. As SYSA president, under the bylaws, Funke noted the passion of the clubs speaking in favor of the motion and voted in the affirmative. The motion passed.

Capitol Hill motioned for, and Lake City seconded the following:

To reduce Covid-19 transmission, SYSA requires that all players and coaches for all age groups in association play (U10 - U19) wear a suitable face mask during games and practices for the 2021 Fall Season and City Tournament. This will affect all association play.

It was noted that the effect of approval of the previous motion, but not this motion on the floor, would limit the mask-wearing requirement for players to U10-U12. After discussion and with no further requests to speak, Funke declared discussion closed and called for the vote. Four clubs voted in favor, eight voted against.

Capitol Hill motioned for, and Lake City seconded the following:

To reduce Covid-19 transmission, SYSA requires that all spectators at the field wear a suitable face mask during association games and practices for the 2021 Fall Season and City Tournament.

It was expressed that the vote on the previous motion had made this motion essentially moot. With no further requests to speak, Funke declared discussion closed and called for the vote. Two clubs voted in the affirmative, ten voted against.

On a question from the floor, it was clarified that the approved motion applies to age divisions, rather than individual players. By way of example, a U13 (vaccine eligible) playing down would be expected to wear a mask.

**Adjournment**

Meeting declared adjourned by consensus at 7:02 pm