



Seattle Youth Soccer Association

Minutes for SYSA Board of Commissioners Association General Meeting held on

August 7, 2023 via Zoom call

Attendance: Officers, Commissioners and Staff

President	David Funke	X	Ballard	Luke Giustra	X
VP of Administration	Keith Leitich	X	Beacon Hill	Keith Leitich	X
Secretary	Noel Maxey	X	Capitol Hill	Shelly Chinn	X
Treasurer	<i>Position open</i>		Hillwood	Silas Lindenstein	X
VP of Operations	Ann Davison	X	Lake City	David Lev	X
VP of Rec Development	Kris Espinosa	X	LVR	Jonathon Carver	X
VP of Competition	Corey	X	Magnolia	Stephanie Skinner	X
VP of DEI	Shannon Palmer	X	McGilvra	Nick Tchemitcheff	X
VP of Marketing & Communications	Calen	X	Mt Baker	Shannon Palmer	X
SSRA SYSA Liaison	Larry Metz	<i>absent</i>	Queen Anne	Shane Cramer	<i>absent</i>
Disciplinary Chair	Chris Tuttle	<i>absent</i>	Seattle United	Rich Reece	X
SYSA Cup Rep	Berry Beard	X	Shorelake	Kris Espinosa	X
			Woodland	Mitch Furuglyas	X

Executive Director	David Griffiths	X	Scheduler	Berry Beard	X
SYSA Registrar	Paige Blomso	X	Communication	Jenn Ireland	X
Assistant Registrar	Anne Bare	X	Bookkeeper	Michele Authier	<i>absent</i>
Assistant Registrar	Kristin Bates	X			

AUGUST MEETING

- Called to order by David Funke (time 7:03 PM)
- Attendance noted by Noel Maxey, SYSA Secretary
- Presence of a quorum noted
- Minutes taken by Noel Maxey, SYSA Secretary

OLD BUSINESS

- (Dave Funke) June Minutes needed to be approved
 - Approved with No objections
- (Dave Funke) Volunteer Of the month Nominations
 - Melissa Colson – Hillwood Registrar
- (David Funke) – Question asked when to reschedule next meeting due to Labor Day
 - 9.11.23
- (David Funke) – Read in Updated By-laws
 - Call to accept with date of adoption being September 1, 2023
 - By-law updates approved
 - Unanimous vote
 - Queen Anne – absent
 - Seattle United – abstain (due to unfamiliarity)

OFFICER REPORTS

- President (Dave Funke)
 - Reviewing By-Laws
- VP of Admin (Keith Leitich)
 - Mentor Training
- VP of Operations (Anne Davidson) – Nothing to report
- Secretary (Noel Maxey) – Nothing to report
- VP of Competition (Corey McNamee) – Not Present
- Treasurer (Dave Funke reporting for)
 - Not much to report (no income & only small expenses)
- VP of Rec Development (Kris Espinoza)
 - United Soccer Coaches Convention in Anaheim
- VP of Diversity & Inclusion (Shannon Palmer) – Not Report
- VP of Marketing & Communication (Calen Holbrooks)
 - Received quote on SLACK
 - Very expensive & looking at additional options
 - SU uses (Paige) and will look into there pay structure
- Disciplinary Chair (Chris Tuttle) – Not present
 - No report
- SSRA (Larry Metz) - Not present
 - No report
- Registrar (Paige Blosma)
 - Alignment meeting – July 25th
 - Coach distribution list – not many signed up. Please figure out why?

- August focus on competitive teams (RCL & ECNL) & pre-season/coach communication
 - Focus on RMA compliance
 - Focus on Select rule compliance
- Registrar (Anne Barre)
 - League Washington (U17-19)
 - Focus on RMA compliance
 - SYSA staff are in place as admins as placeholders for teams until RMA is cleared
- Field Scheduling (Barry Beard)
 - Alignment meeting July 25th – post doc coming
 - Waiting on feedback from some clubs
 - Fall field allocations started last week
 - Next step – pairings & building schedules
 - Coaching seminars coming up
 - Lance white to come in as assistant scheduler
 - Jefferson fields – TBD on update
- Executive Director (David Griffiths)
 - West Seattle SC inclusion update – they are not ready
 - Futsal in south End
 - Beacon hill & Mt Baker to participate
 - Van Assalt community Center
 - U17-U19 League
 - Placement meeting is tomorrow night
 - League Placement/alignment meeting – THANK YOU to all those who helped
 - Sponsors
 - Darigold – \$50K
 - Amazon - \$5K
 - Focused on TOP soccer and underserved areas
 - Capelli Uniforms and Club rebrand
 - Capitol hill & Hillwood to start
 - SYSA volunteer drive
 - New Assistant Registrar – Lance White
 - Staff Reviews
 - Select Player Rule

CLUB REPORTS

- Seattle United (Rich Reece)
 - Registrations numbers were good
 - Summer tournament report
 - Junior Program growth
 - U17 Boys made National finals (ECNL)
 - High School girls moving to High school season
- Woodland
 - Board meeting & coaches meeting coming up
 - Focused on season set-up
- Queen Anne
 - Not Present

- Magnolia
 - Registration is down
 - Had to cut some select players due to compliance issues
 - Issues with jersey provider – switching next year? Recommendations?
- Ballard
 - Working with Select players & compliance rules
 - Focused on roster set-up & focused on season set-up
- Hillwood
 - Registration is up 10%
 - Staff is up 64% (Full board)
 - Coaches meeting at the end of the month
 - Spoke about success of monthly newsletter
- Shorelake
 - Coaches meeting coming up
 - Registration saw similar numbers to last year
- Lake City
 - 700 kids registered
 - No Board president & losing volunteers due to select player rule
- LVR
 - Registration is down (especially with older kids & girls teams)
 - Aug 21 – coaches meeting
- Beacon Hill
 - Overall Registration similar to last year
 - Girls numbers are down
- Mc Gilvra – Registration similar to last year
 - Focused on season set up; ordering gear & field allocation
- Capitol Hill
 - 338 players registered
 - No girls teams over U12
 - Seattle world School kids – unsure of who will be registering or participating
- Mt Baker
 - U6 Program – using UK International coaches
 - Overall Registration is similar to last year
 - Girls teams are down

New business

- Marketing Campaign Plan
 - Create 7 bring back to review & vote (if money is asked for)
 - Emphasis on importance of recreational sport
- South End Drop-In Futsal
 - Location – Van Assalt community center
 - Proposal submitted
 - Dates: Sept 15th – Dec 22nd
 - Fridays only 4:30-6:30 PM
 - Planning a January Futsal League
 - No costs – using volunteers to start
- Add AQI site on email

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM