

## **MINUTES of the MSA Council**

**March 21, 2009**

**MSA Office, Flowood, MS**

**Meeting called to order by David Dodd, President at 9:06 a.m.**

### **Members Present:**

Brent Clements, Terry Eguaoje, Shirley Griffin, Tony Bombich, Alex Farned, Barbara Brent, Bob Gilbert, Tommy Gore, Doug Kitchens, Kathy Friar, Jimmy Lott, Lane Smith, Kim Quarles, Gene Phillips, Tim Clements, and David Dodd.

### **Members not attending:**

Jimmy Lott, Kim Quarles, Kevin Adams, Kay Boulder, and Cameron Arcemont

President Dodd called the roll to determine if a majority was present

**Motion to approve Minutes** – Doug Kitchens, second by Alex Farned, approved with corrections

### **Report of the President**

President Dodd will send a more detailed report next week. He mentioned the meeting he attended in San Diego, CA.

### **Division III Report**

Doug Kitchens – The Kohls Cup will be held in Clinton on May 1-3, 2009. Barbara will schedule the teams for the cup. The coaches meeting will be held either in the Healthplex or the National Guard Amory. The T-shirt design will be sent to the office for approval.

### **Division II Report**

Tony Bombich – The President's cup will be held at Jackson Fotbal Club May 15-17, 2009. Barbara Brent will schedule the teams and be the

scorekeeper. James White will be the referee assignor. Tony also gave us the DII pools sorted by age and gender.

### **Division I Report**

Bob Gilbert – League games were played February 28 –March 1. The League games for the north district have not been played yet due to rain. The State Cup will be held in Tupelo May 29-31, 2009. Rex Banks will be assignor.

**Adult League Report** - Lane Smith reported that there are 12 teams with 18-22 players per team in the Hispanic metro league. Brandon and the coast are forming a league that will register with MSA.

**Registrar Report** - Barbara Brent reported there are 2358 players and 72 adults registered. March 30 is the deadline for e-registration.

**Referee Report** – Tim Clements reported that three Mississippi referees went to Virginia to referee. Mississippi has 1100 referees. MSA is interviewing someone to place Jose Sanchez on the committee.

**North District Report – Alex Farned** – reported the District Tournament for 2009 has been moved from Starkville to Tupelo due to conflicts. He also mentioned the USYS meeting was very good. The convention was down but good meeting.

**Central District Report – Kim Quarles** – no report

**South District Report – Tommy Gore** – reported he is working with Hattiesburg getting ready for district tournament.

**West District Report – Jimmy Lott** – was not present but he had sent in a report. All plans are moving ahead for the district tournament in Clinton. Everything is on schedule.

**Executive Director Report – Brent Clements** reported the District and Kohls information is up. The travel scale was given to the District Directors and Head Referee.

**ODP Report - Kevin Adams** – no report but had three boys who went to Costa Rica to play in a tournament.

**Coaching Report – Terry Eguaoje** – reported he has licensed several coaches. A letter has been sent to the Presidents and registrar of each organization to get the coaches licensed.

### **Kidsafe Report**

Shirley Griffin reported that she has had two incidents to show up one in Caledonia and one in SMSC.

**Premier League Report** - No report

**Soccer Start** – No report

**TOPS** – No report

### **Financial Report**

Gene Phillips gave the financial report. Report will be filed for audit.

### **Old Business**

**Recessed at 10:36 and reconvened at 10:57.**

### **Coaching Program Changes –**

**Motion to bring to the floor** – Terry Eguaoje  
**Second** Gene Phillips

To adopted the minimum coaching requirement

**Motion** Doug Kitchens

**Second** Tim Clements

Amendment was made to revise the effective date of state minimum coaching license requirement to be September 1, 2009 with full implementation by September 1, 2010. Newly registered/rostered coaches will have three months to obtain age appropriate licensing after registration.

**Motion** Dawn Wright

**Second** Bob Gilbert

**Motion carried**

All coaches are required to be licensed to play in District and State sponsored tournaments (Kohls, President, and State Cup).

Biloxi Soccer Organization signed a promissory note at the AGM and has not paid yet. MSA will send a letter asking for payment of \$13,000 to be paid within five days. The letter will be mailed on March 23 with check by March 30. If this payment is not made the teams from Biloxi will not be allowed to play in District nor Kohls. The teams can pay to play in district if the players' fees have been paid. A notification letter will be send notifying them of not being members in good standing.

**Motion** Bob Gilbert

**Second** Barbara Brent

Motion carried.

## **New Business**

### **Proposal #101, Paragraph 7**

**Motion** – to place on the floor Alex Farned

**Second** – Tim Clements

Brent read the proposal. This proposal removes verbiage mostly housekeeping corrections.

Motion passed.

### **Proposal # 101.1, paragraph 5**

**Motion** – to place on the floor Tim Clements

**Second** - Bob Gilbert

Brent read the proposal. This proposal new policy describing e-transfer.

Motion passed.

### **Proposal #102.1, paragraph 7**

**Motion** - to place on the floor Tim Clements

**Second** - Bob Gilbert

Brent read the proposal. This proposal describes e-transfer and requirement that National cup players advise MSA of their movement desire.

Motion passed.

**Proposal #102.8, paragraph 2**

**Motion** – to place on the floor Tim Clements

**Second** - Alex Farned

Brent read the proposal. This proposal will impose 14 day limit on MSA sponsored tournaments.

Motion passed.

**Proposal #102.9, paragraph 3**

**Motion** - to place on the floor Bob Gilbert

**Second** - Tim Clements

Brent read the proposal. This proposal would match USYS transfer number and limit for small sided teams.

Dawn Wright amended the proposal to change from five to six players on an disbanded can be transferred on a full size team 11 v 11, three players 8 v 8, or two players 6 v 6,

Motion passed.

**Proposal #102.1, paragraph 4**

**Motion** - to place on the floor Gene Phillips

**Second** – Alex Farned

Brent read the proposal. This proposal changed to reflect e-transfer and deletes improper use of word inter.

Motion passed

Proposals go into effect upon passage of the proposal.

Recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 12:37 p.m.

Dates for the rosters freeze are: March 30 e-reg closed age balanced teams; April 3 DIII; May 3, DII.

Members in Good Standing – Player Fees Outstanding – A letter has been sent to organizations that still owe money.

District Tournaments, Awards, Shirts – Shirts have been ordered.

Remember score and adias are our sponsors so use their logo.

Pearl Organization will be fined \$500 for incidents that have done.

**Motion** – Doug Kitchens

**Second** - Bob Gilbert

Motion passed.

Barbara Brent and Dawn Wright left at 1:15 p.m.

A letter was send out asking for a vote on a special called meeting to elect Bob Gilbert as Division 1 Vice President. Fifteen organizations return their vote 10 no and 5 yes. Majority did not want a meeting

**Motion** – to accept Bob Gilbert as Division 1 Vice President Gene Phillips

**Second** – Lane Smith

Motion passed.

A league game was scheduled for JFC U12 Girls and Starkville in Starkville and JFC refused to play. The game got rained out and U12 girls want to be reinstated. They forfeited their bond and all of their league games.

**Motion** – not to reinstate the JFC U12 Girls Gene Phillips

**Second** - Doug Kitchens

Motion passed.

D1 proposal for League games. Bob Gilbert has sent a letter to D1 teams telling them to arrange their own games. All league games are to be completed by April 15. They need to contact the Tim Clements four days ahead to arrange for referees. Make sure all game cards are signed. The host team will pay the referees and then they will be reimbursed by MSA office. The winning team will mail the cards to the MSA office and they will be entered on line.

Officers Responsibility and Communications – each officer was given a copy of their responsibilities.

Complaints – How to handle complaints will be written into our policy. We will handle them like we do for appeals. Send to Brent and David in writing. All complaints must be in writing.

The Regional D2 Presidents Cup will be held in Greenville, South Carolina.

Do we need a system or process to notify the local organization when an approval as advisory has been hit on Kidsafe. A coach at Caledonia was pending when found out he was arrested on possession of drugs.

There are 72 registered adults playing soccer in the state that have paid their fees.

**Motion to adjourn** - Gene Phillips

**Second** – Doug Kitchens

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.