

MINUTES of the MSA Council

July 20, 2008

Vicksburg Convention Center

Meeting called to order by President Dodd at 8:45 a.m.

Invocation offered by Gene Phillips

**Members Present:**

Brent Clements, David Dodd, Terry Eguaaje, Gene Phillips, Shirley Griffin, Tony Bombich, Bob Gilbert, Lane Smith, Alex Farned, Barbara Brent, Tommy Gore, Doug Kitchens, Kathy Friar, and Dawn Wright

**Members arriving late:** Alex Farned at 9:35 a.m.

**Members not attending:**

Kim Quarles, Tim Clements, and Jimmy Lott

**Motion to approve Minutes as corrected** – Dawn Wright, second by Tommy Gore, Approved unanimously

**Report of the President**

He will be attending Regional III USYS meeting next week. He has accepted spot on the strategic planning committee.

**Division III Report**

Doug Kitchens is waiting for the new season to start

**Division II Report**

Tony Bombich reported on the Region III President's cup. Stacy Manning and Tony represented MSA at the Region III President's Cup. Written report attached.

**Division I Report**

Bob Gilbert reported had a successful State Cup. He held a President's meeting on July 12, 2008 and each member was given a copy of the report (attached)

Adult League Report - Lane Smith had no report

Registrar Report - Barbara Brent had no report

North District Report - No report

Central District Report - No report

South District Report

Tommy Gore reported that there are two new Presidents in South District.

West District Report - No report

### **Executive Director Report**

Brent reported that he is going to Philadelphia on Wednesday, July 23, 2008 to assist an organization in forming as a member of MSA.

### **Kidsafe Report**

Shirley Griffin reported that Kidsafe is getting hits. She wants to charge kidsafe back to the local organizations.

### **Premier League Report**

Each state sends the same number of teams to the regional tournament. Seeding is done by blind draw. Applications have been arriving in the office.

### **Coaching Report**

Terry Eguaoje reported a coach's class is being held and he will review the licenses of the coaches and contact any that needs to be brought up to standard before district tournaments.

**Soccer Start** – No report

### **ODP Report**

Kevin Adams gave the dates for ODP events for the new season. Also mentioned we had some players that made it to the next round. Details will be placed on the MSA website.

**Referee Report** - Brent reported for Tim that the Referee Committee has its Annual Recertification with a National Instructor July 26 and 27, 2008.

## **Financial Report**

Gene Phillips gave the financial report on July 19 during the planning meeting.

## **Old Business**

**Territory Change Request** -- D'Iberville wants to take in Orange Grove and St Martin.

**Motion:** To accept territory change if Biloxi does not object. Need paper work on the change with a letter, it must be in the MSA office by August 15, 2008. -- Brent Clements

**Second** - Barbara Brent

**Motion carried**

**D'Iberville TOPS Program** - Di'Iberville wants to form a TOPS program. Need to set up as a new Division and will have to make a bylaw change to form. President Dodd asked if the Council would allow them to begin preliminary formation.

**Motion:** To allow D'Iberville to begin preliminary formation -- Tommy Gore

**Second** - Bob Gilbert

**Motion carried**

## **Proposal #101-11**

**Motion:** To bring off the table - Tommy Gore

**Second** - Doug Kitchens

**Motion carried**

Brent Clements read the proposal. This proposal changes verbiage changed by technology.

**Motion:** To accept the proposal -- Alex Farned

**Second** - Gene Phillips.

**Motion carried**

Proposal #102-1-11

**Motion:** To bring off the table - Doug Kitchens

**Second** - Barbara Brent

**Motion carried**

Brent Clements noted various housekeeping and technology changes

**Motion:** To accept the proposal - Doug Kitchens

**Second** - Barbara Brent.

**Motion carried**

Proposal #102-103

**Motion:** To bring off the table - Tony Bombich

**Second** - Bob Gilbert

**Motion carried**

Brent Clements noted that this proposal would give specific language regarding guest players.

**Motion:** To accept the proposal - Alex Farned

**Second** - Gene Phillips.

**Motion carried**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Division 1 Presidents Meeting** - Bob Gilbert gave a summary of the President's meeting. Division I have lost 10 teams from last year.

**Clinton complaint of unacceptable registrations practices** - Dawn Wright brought up a complaint of unacceptable practices. Need to remove players until the appeal has been resolved. Council asked Dawn to write a letter advising that the players be removed from Web Site until the appeal has been resolved. The letter will come through the office to the organization.

**Motion:** To have the letter written regarding the registrations violation - Tommy Gore

**Second** - Doug Kitchens.

**Motion carried.**

**Pullen Insurance Proposal** - Insurance proposal shows a .04 savings over prior year, approximately \$920 savings.

**Motion:** To accept proposal for insurance for the new year - Doug Kitchens

**Second** - Bob Gilbert.

**Motion carried.**

**Guidelines for planning and managing <sup>bid</sup> crisis.** Shirley Griffin suggested that these be made a part of the tournament bid application as a part of risk management. David Dodd asked Brent to consider that information in the Bid package rewrite.

**Rules and Revisions Committee** - The Rules and Revisions Committee is a standing committee. The committee receives proposal, check on rules, send to members and the Presidents. David Dodd announced that he had asked Dawn Wright to consider serving as the chair of the Rules and Revisions Committee. Dawn stated that she would consider the appointment and advise at a later date.

**Standard Tournament Bracketing** - Doug Kitchens went over a bracket layout for tournaments. Various possibilities were discussed. If adopted, this will become the standard bracket breakdown for all MSA Tournaments. Brent stated that he could place it on the website with links to open all of the various possibilities, but did not feel that 36 pages should be added to the tournament rules. Add only add a statement that the stand MSA Tournament Bracketing will be used. All agreed.

**Motion:** To accept and implement the standard tournament brackets as amended during discussion

**Second** by Tommy Gore

**Motion carried.**

**Coaching Committee to review standards** - Terry Eguaoje presented a proposal to form a coaching committee with members listed.

**Motion:** To form the Committee – Doug Kitchens

**Second** – Tommy Gore

**Motion carried.**

**Meeting adjourned at 1:17 p.m.**