

**MINUTES of the MSA Council**  
**January 23, 2010**  
**Hilton Inn, Ridgeland, MS**

**Meeting called to order by David Dodd, President at 9:00 a.m.**

**Members Present:**

Brent Clements, Terry Eguaoje, Shirley Griffin, Bob McCummins, Alex Farned, Barbara Brent, Bob Gilbert, Doug Kitchens, Kathy Friar, Gerald Self, Kim Quarles, Gene Phillips, Doug Irby, Lane Smith, Tommy Gore, and David Dodd.

**Members not attending:**

Cecil Wright, Kevin Adams, Kay Boulder, Tim Clements, and Cameron Arcemont

**Guest Present:** Cecil Ray, Jason Brown, Ken Griffin, and Chris Dixon

Brent Clements called the roll to determine if a majority was present and a quorum was determined to be present.

Invocation was led by Gene Phillips, treasurer.

**Motion to approve Minutes** – Bob Gilbert, second by Kim Quarles, approved as printed.

**Report of the President**

President Dodd will give his report at the AGM on Sunday, January 24.

**Division III Report**

Doug Kitchens – reported on the Coaches Cup held in Meridian. The tournament went well.

**Division II Report**

Bob McCummins – no report

## **Division I Report**

Bob Gilbert – first round of league play will be February 20-21 in Hattiesburg with make up days being March 20-21.

**Adult League Report** - Lane Smith – no report

**Registrar Report** - Barbara Brent – no report

**Referee Report** – Doug Irby – no report

**North District Report – Alex Farned** – reported the district tournament will be held in Tupelo in April.

**Central District Report – Kim Quarles** - reported the district tournament will be held in Meridian in April.

**South District Report – Tommy Gore** –reported the district tournament will be held in Gulfport in April.

**West District Report – Gerald Self** – reported the district tournament will be held in South Madison.

**Executive Director Report – Brent Clements** - Reported that the website will be updated. He and Barbara will schedule training on the new registration systems by GotSoccer. There are possibly five new member organizations. He will meet with Stone/Wiggins on February 9. Complete report will be given at AGM.

**ODP Report - Kevin Adams** – no report not present.

**Coaching Report – Terry Eguaoje** – no report.

## **Kidsafe Report**

Shirley Griffin reported that she has several requests pending and had to make several phone calls. The local organizations are being billed.

**Premier League Report** - No report

**Soccer Start** – No report

**TOPS** – No report.

**Discipline and Appeals – Ron King** - no report

**Financial Report** - Gene Philips gave the financial report. The tax forms were due on January 15 and the Accountant has prepared these forms and they have been mailed.

**Motion - Brent Clements**

To accept the filing of the MSA tax forms.

**Second – Kim Quarles.**

**Motion carried.**

## **Unfinished Business**

**Technical Director of Coaching** – Terry Eguaoje gave his report on the evaluation program. He had some service elements for clubs to consider.

Motion - Kim Quarles

To table this report till the March 20, 2010 Council meeting.

**Second – Bob McCummins**

**Report tabled.**

Player fees are coming up for review and need to restructure.

This item will remain tabled till after the spring season and an analysis can be performed.

**Increment weather proposal** – The Committee will present to Council members for consideration and to Rules and Revisions committee to consider prior to the March 20, 2010.

**Singing River Soccer Club Re-Draft** – the fall roster, draft policy, and bylaws were not in compliance and were redrafted for U10 and up. There will probably only one U14 boys team this spring.

## **New Business**

**Jackson Futbol Club (JFC)** had requested information on Central Jackson Soccer Organization (CJSO). CJSO will not give their roster information to JFC. Anecdotal evidence seems to indicate a general lack of attention to detail by the volunteer registrars. In several instances, it seems that after one child has obtained a release or transfer; siblings are being automatically assumed to be cleared. Further review of JFC indicates a trend to limit the family access to JFC registration to a specific socio-economic class of players. The only way to register to play at JFC is to register online. This requires that a family have a computer and internet access to register at JFC. A review of the current JFC officers list shows that of the 17 persons listed on their board, 10 of them have at least one child playing Division I soccer. Again anecdotal information indicates that JFC made no attempt to promote registration throughout the schools within their territory or offer an alternative method of registering disadvantaged players within their territory.

Brent Clements recommended that the council convene a committee to review, evaluate and report to the MSA council to determine if JFC is serving its territory under MSA Bylaws. He then listed the basis for this recommendation.

### **Motion – Kim Quarles**

The council convene a committee to review, evaluate and report to the MSA council to determine if JFC is serving its territory under MSA Bylaws

### **Second – Alex Farned**

**Motion passed.**

## **Tournaments Bids**

### **Presidents Cup 2011**

#### **Motion - Tommy Gore**

To accept Tupelo's bid for President's Cup

#### **Second – Doug Irby**

**Motion carried.**

### **State Cup 2011**

#### **Motion - Doug Kitchens**

To accept the rotation of the South District hosting the State Cup

#### **Second – Tommy Gore**

**Motion carried**

State Cup will be held in South Mississippi (Gulfport)

### **Kohl's Cup 2011**

Tupelo withdrew its bid

#### **Motion - Doug Irby**

To accept Clinton's bid for the Kohl's Cup

**Second – Kim Quarles**

**Motion carried**

### **Coaches Cup 2011**

Coaches Cup is mainly a D3 tournament. We will check with MHSAA on high school schedule and possibly change the dates of cup if necessary. D1 teams could come if dates are changed.

#### **Motion - Tommy Gore**

To accept Bandon's bid for the Coaches Cup

**Second – Gerald Self**

**Motion carried.**

Check with MHSAA at the planning meeting in July on the rules of high school players in tournaments and make any amendments needed.

#### **Motion - Bob Gilbert**

To accept the bid as previously approved.

**Second – Kim Quarles**

**Motion carried.**

### **Members in Good Standing at AGM**

Need annual reports only from the following organizations

Grenada

Southwest Jackson

Natchez

Copiah County

Clarksdale

Brookhaven

All other are in good standing except for Jackson Futbol Club.

### **Sponsorship**

Dicks Sporting Goods and Score

Brent Clements is working out the details with a large sporting sponsor. He will let us know when the details are finalized.

### **MLS Game**

The Mississippi Fire game will be held March 7, 2010

The MSA Council reviewed the policies to be voted on at the AGM. Clean up language on some is all that is needed.

### **Election Process**

The District Directors will be elected at the District Meetings this afternoon. The ballots are ready for the Directors. Only the delegates can vote. Doug Kitchens will be the teller for the South District and Bob Gilbert will be the teller for the Western District. The District meetings will be at 1:00 p.m.

**Bob Gilbert moved to adjourn the council meeting.  
Second – Doug Kitchens**

**Meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.**