

NCYSA CHALLENGE COUNCIL MINUTES 6-8-02

Grant Underhill called the meeting to order @ 10:02am

Roll call sheet showed fifteen of 168 associations present, establishing a quorum.

Bob Singer NCYSA President stepped in to request representation for the Recreation council to establish their quorum. He congratulated Mari and Grant on a well run State Cup 2002 tournament.

Let's get Legal: Tryout issues. State recruiting rules. Bob verified the state rules are not clear. Under the current rule, tryouts can not occur before the Monday after state cup finals. He plans to propose some revisions for next year. The major revisions include:

1. Player contract effective until Monday after State Cup finals. Challenge and classic recruitment can occur at any time, but

- the player is bound to his current team.

2. Advertisements - (News, flyers, etc) not earmarked for a specific player would not fall under recruitment rulings.

3. NCYSA assessment survey was sent to each association president for feedback. NCYSA wants to know how they can improve their roles.

Question to Bob- Smaller associations next to larger associations are having a hard time being heard at the NCYSA level. What can we do? Bob/Grant- Consider regionalization. Would give smaller associations a better opportunity to be heard.

There were 25 recruitment violations at the state level. Dave Stump-Did we ever clear up the definition of U-14?

Tim- what is NCYSA's view on new associations in areas with several existing associations? Bob- NCYSA will check the economic status of the area to see if it can support another association successfully. Stan (Asheville) We need to have the same recruitment rules for all levels. Recruitment penalties include a letter to your file, suspensions, sanctions.

6th Annual State Cup Prelims had 210 initial applicants. Two dropped out, and ten were bumped due to field restraints. New Bern hosted 102 teams, Winston Salem hosted 96 teams.

It was the LARGEST tournament to date and we accommodated more teams.

State Cup finals were held in conjunction with Snickers and Kepner Cup finals at Bryan Park Greensboro. Lots of great play, major difference between classic and challenge level was technical ball handling.

THANK YOU to New Bern and Winston Salem for hosting preliminary play. It is not a huge money making event, lots of headaches, tight schedules with very little thanks. Tim- the need is there for preliminary play especially with all the applicants. Karen- Prelims should be on a rotation cycle. We need to get the larger associations to step up and host prelims. NCYSA will have the same problem for next years tournament. Mari- No association bid on Preliminary play this year. NCYSA had to BEG for host sites.

Should we regionalize state challenge cup?

Time Kepley- Having State Challenge Cup finals in conjunction with Snickers/Kepner finals is a GOOD thing. Council unanimously agreed that it should be kept the same way for next year.

Mari- U-18 Boys challenge finals were held in the main stadium!!

Demp- Referee pool was great. NCYSA had a "by invitation only" pool of referees.

Prelim issues: Fuqua- they want to do a good job but they have field issues due to multiple site locations. This increases safety issues, restroom facility issues, and decreases control. They need to make money too. WOW could handle fifty teams successfully. We need to consider having 3 different sites with 60 teams/site, or 4 sites with 50 teams/site.

Early bids: Mari will inventory associations with single sites that have 6 or more fields. Winston, Wilkes, Iredell, Fayetteville, CASL, Charlotte, Hickory, BAYSA, Wilmington, Asheville, New Bern, Kernersville, PSA, GYSA.

Where did the 2001-2002 Prelim teams come from? It would help with regionalization. Consider drawing up geographical lines for an East/West draw. Mari- No guarantee that you'll get 50 teams/site. Each site would have all age groups. What do you do with age groups with fewer than 6 teams/ age group? Check with GYSA's Dave Clark & Demp Bradford. They tried to do a model. Mari and Grant will create a model from this year's teams and send it to a working committee. Members include: GYSA, WOW, BAYSA, Jacksonville and Tim at large.

Approved sun March 10, 2002 minutes with the following correction: MIDSTATE'S not Tim Kepley's resistance to joining NCYSA includes cost and leagues flexibility.

Does Kernersville's classic schedule motion affect two Sundays / team for ALL Sundays or will it affect just two separate Sundays?

Kathy Robison- Each association will have two set Sundays available for classic scheduling after 1pm. Will be discussed at the BOD.

Motion to adjourn by Scott Miller, second by Karen Freeman.