



United States Adult Soccer Association, Inc.

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Called to order: 8:35

Attendance: On File

Minutes: Approved as written.

There was discussion about the number of registered players in each of the states. The discussion led to further questions about the numbers of players in the other USSF adult affiliates, comparison of insurance, and park requirements for insurance.

Ric asked that the agenda and committee reports be mailed out earlier so that he can prepare his delegates for the meeting and make appropriate travel arrangements.

Shonna mentioned that the latest USASA minutes have not yet been approved and therefore not yet distributed. Although she cannot send out draft minutes, she offered to send out a summary of the meeting to interested members.

Financials: Distributed via email and in writing. There were questions about the grants and some modifications will be made to address grants

Coaching: Leroy is working with Cal South to look into providing a coaching licensing clinic at the next January workshop sessions. Associations can offer coaching licensing clinics, share resources, or draw coaching candidates from other associations.

Coed Cup: This year's tournament had the highest number of participating teams yet. There were just under 40 teams, although most were from Texas. There has been no date set yet for the 2013 tournament because there were some questions about whether it would be held again. Steve reported that Duncan from USASA says it will be held.

Grants: Deadline for the grants is April 15th for the AGM and then September 1st for the Midyear meeting. Meeting the deadlines makes it possible to distribute the information in enough time to make educated decisions.

Membership: Dan talked about the need to increase membership. USASA membership has stayed pretty consistent. Some associations have dropped in numbers, but others have increased.

Veteran's Cup: The tournament is going to be played June 25th – 30th in Escondido California. There was some discussion about the fact that it conflicted with the Master's Futbol Cup. This was an error and the committees will work together to avoid this in the future.

National Cups: Mike has a few teams interested in Open Cup, which will be held April 15th weekend. The Amateur, Under 23, and Over 30 will be held the weekend of June 6th in Washington. The entry deadline will be May 1st. Mike is trying to retire from the National Cups Committee position and is looking for someone to work with him this year to learn the position.

Hall of Fame: The Hall of Fame dinner was held last night in San Diego. Ric is accepting new nominations for next year's award immediately.



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Women: The Women's National Cups have been moved to a new women's competition to try to promote more attention to women's competitions. The new Women's Competition will be held June 28-30 in Overland Park Kansas and will include Amateur, U23, and Over 30. The entry deadline will be April 15th and the entry fee is \$300 (consistent with other USASA tournament costs).

New Business:

The Region IV USASA glasses that were distributed were designed by Robin Gordon. Associations can buy additional glasses. The region has to buy a minimum of 72 glasses per order. If interested contact Barbara Trainor (barbara.trainor@gmail.com) to coordinate a joint order.

The Master's Futbol Cup is being held June 25th through 30th in Hawaii. For more information contact Tim Busch or Paul Scherer.

There was discussion about the increased travel costs this year. Most states experienced increased costs, but States such as Hawaii and Alaska that travel the furthest, the travel costs increased significantly.

Motion: For airline tickets \$700 or more that the Region subsidizes, an additional \$100 per ticket be subsidized and reimbursed to the State Association.

Discussion: Clarification of travel subsidy policy: State Associations are responsible for paying travel expenses for their delegates up to the number of votes that they have. For an additional three (3) members per State, the Region will subsidize the travel expenses in the following amounts:

- 1) Hotel expenses for 2 nights
- 2) Up to \$150 toward airfare

Deferred to an electronic vote following the meeting.

Good of the Game

Betty spoke about the loss of Mike Ryan in Washington December 27th. There will be a celebration of his life on January 21st in Washington.

Cal South recently lost one of their board members, Rick Mcown. It was a great loss to them and they are struggling to recover.

Cal South will be going through some leadership changes. Johnnie Garza will be relocating to Washington DC for his job and stepping down from the president position. John Mullan will be stepping it to continue as the president.

The president's meeting will be in September in Seattle. The exact date has not been firmed up yet because there they are trying to combine it with a Sounder's game.

Dan Trainor has stepped down as the NPSL Commissioner. There were many reasons that this is a good idea. The league is still strong and will continue.

Jeff Pagan in Nevada has had a major stroke. Graham has contacted the organizers of the Mayor's Cup to help organize the Silver Mug tournament.

Adjourned: 10:21