



BOARD MEETING MINUTES – 4/14/21

Kentucky Youth Soccer Board of Directors Wednesday, April 14, 2021 Conference Call

Board Members Present: Duncan Campbell, Bob Rodosky, Stan Sizemore, Stan Settle, Bob Drake (Late), Marty Tucker, Jim Long

Staff Members Present: Kris Zander, Bryan Brooks, Derek Willis, and Holly Kirkpatrick

Non-board members Present: Chad Collins

Absent: Peggy Polley-Grizzle, Lisa Duvall, Dan Clift and Dave McIver

Meeting Called to Order at 8:03 pm ET

Draft Minutes from February 10, 2021 Board Minutes

Motion to Approve February 10, 2021 Board Minutes

Motion: Jim Long

Second: Duncan Campbell

Status: Passes

President's Update

COVID Discussion: As the state tournaments begin, the tournament committee and staff may need to make decisions on COVID if issues arise. Bob Drake recommends that the event staff and committee handle these decisions as a part of regular daily operations.

The state office will send a letter on behalf of the board as a reminder to clubs that their teams, coaches, parents, etc. need to follow the COVID guidelines. Zander said the letter will go out to the membership the week of April 19th.

State Office Report

Kris Zander gave an overview of what the grant committee has done to this point. The committee created an application process for clubs and created a scoring system to award clubs. To this point two clubs have been awarded \$2500 each in grant money. Additional applications will be reviewed on Tuesday, April 20th. A full report will be prepared at the next board meeting. The plan going forward will be to award grants yearly for recreational programs.

Events are all on as planned. Presidents Cup grew this year and will be the largest Presidents Cup KY Youth Soccer has hosted to date.

Bylaw revisions and rule revisions will be reviewed for changes this summer.

Signed a contract for the SLU in 2022.



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Kris Zander attended the US Soccer AGM virtually and will be attending the USYS AGM in person.

Bryan Brooks and Kris Zander met with four Louisville clubs and discussed challenges through COVID and how each club handled. Will continue to move forward with these club meetings.

Soccer Village Agreement

The Soccer Village agreement expires in summer of 2022 and the UA agreement expires in 2023. The staff office proposes extending the Soccer Village agreement for one year to line the up those two contracts. At that time, the staff will have the ability to review both the apparel and retail contracts simultaneously.

Motion to extend the Soccer Village contract one year to the summer of 2023.

Motion: Jim Long

Second: Marty Tucker

Status: Passes

Finance Committee

Kris Zander gave a brief review of the Statement of financial position that has been provided to the board.

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- Income for coaching courses is up, collecting income on the national C License.
- Registration fees are down \$135,000 year of year from the fall. The spring fees have started to come into the office and staff will have a better idea for the next meeting on the player fee numbers

Expenses: The state office has reduced expenses year over year. Kris Zander reviewed what some of those expenses are with an overall reduction of \$230,000 to date.

Staff is holding meetings with Wealth South for recommendations on short- and long-term investments and a meeting will be set with the finance committee and Wealth South. A plan will then be submitted to the Board at the June or July meeting.

Budget update

Kris Zander gave an update on the budget to date. Budgeted for a 10% reduction in tournament teams but will end up being short approximately 5 teams across the board. Budgeted income for tournaments in February but that income will show up in March due to timing. A correction will be on the final full budget.

Governance Committee

Trapped player request: player is an 8th grade and is putting in a request to play on the U15 team rather than u16 as the player is not eligible to play on a JV team. This player was approved one year ago to be a trapped player and is looking to continue this in the fall of 2021. The recommendation is to approve this specific situation for the Fall of 2021 with the caveat that the team has to be transparent with any competition they participate in during the season including all games, leagues, tournaments, etc.



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Motion to approve this waiver for the player to continue as a trapped player on a 15U team for the Fall of 2021.

Motion: Jim Long

Second: Bob Rodosky

Status: Passes

Rule Updates

Bryan Brooks gives first notice for rules that will be up for a vote at the next meeting.

Multi-rostering on two select teams. Recommendation is to only allow players to register for one select team but continue to allow players to register with one select and one recreational team.

Transfer Window Rule Update:

Recommendation to change the transfer window to end on March 1st

If these are approved in June they would go into effect for the next seasonal year.

Kris Zander gave a brief review of the Statement

Coaching Education Updates

Derek Willis gave an update on the state of coaching education in the state. Courses have been extremely successful to this point.

Since June, the state office has had a large reach in terms of candidates at the D license and grassroots to this point. Individuals have come from California, Overland Park, Florida, and other additional locations. Have scheduled courses with the blended courses so that individuals can complete two of the grassroots courses in one weekend.

Derek Willis has worked to host courses across the state and extend our reach.

The National C Course is almost full with 34 candidates registered – 22 registered coaches are from KY including one female coach.

Two D licenses are currently scheduled and have added one additional female instructor for a total of two in the state.

Motion to adjourn: Jim Long

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 pm