

To: Open Cup Committee

From: Paul Marstaller

Date: June 19, 2021

**Re: Minutes from Open Cup Committee Meeting 6/18/2021 – APPROVED 12/21/2021**

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The Open Cup Committee held a meeting via conference call on June 18, 2021. The meeting started at approximately 1 p.m. ET and lasted approximately 70 minutes.

1) Roll Call

Committee members present: Arthur Mattson (chair), Todd Durbin, Stu Holden, Brett Luy, Shonna Schroedl.

Committee members absent: None.

Others present: Paul Marstaller, Neil Buethe; Greg Fike joined midway through.

2) Approval of April 15, 2021, Meeting Minutes

The Committee approved the minutes of the April 15, 2021, meeting without edit.

3) Review of Calendar for Possible 2021 Open Cup, Related Impact on 2022 Concacaf Champions League slot

After a lengthy discussion, it was determined that Todd Durbin (MLS) and Brett Luy (USL) will compare notes over the next several business days to see if their respective leagues have any dates in common where games could take place and immediately report back to the Committee.

4) Proposed 2022 Open Cup competition schedule

The Committee approved the following dates for the 2022 tournament proper:

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| • Jan. 5      | Open Division berth allocation determined             |
| • Jan. 19     | First Round pairings announced                        |
| • Jan. 26     | Second Round pairings and possible pairings announced |
| • March 22-23 | First Round (MEX-USA WCQ is on March 24)              |
| • April 5-7   | Second Round  |
| • April 8     | Third Round Draw                                      |
| • April 19-21 | Third Round   |
| • April 22    | Round of 32 Draw                                      |
| • May 10-11   | Round of 32   |
| • May 12      | Round of 16/Quarterfinal Draw                         |
| • May 24-25   | Round of 16   |

- June 21-22                      Quarterfinals
- June 23                          Semifinal/Final Hosting Draw
- July 26-27                      Semifinals
- Sept. 6-7 or 13-14          Final

5) Other Business

There was no other business discussed.

6) Adjournment

With no other business, the call ended at approximately 2:10 p.m. ET.