

MINUTES
UNITED STATES SOCCER FEDERATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 9, 2017
2:00 P.M. CT

PRESENT: Sunil Gulati, Carlos Cordeiro, Chris Ahrens, John Collins, Cindy Cone, Dr. Robert Contiguglia, Dan Flynn, Don Garber, Jesse Harrell, Arthur Mattson, John Motta, Fabian Núñez, Donna Shalala, Tim Turney

REGRETS: Jeff Agoos, Alec Papadakis

IN ATTENDANCE: Jay Berhalter, Brian Remedi, Eric Gleason, Lisa Levine, Greg Fike

Sunil Gulati called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Greg Fike took roll and announced that a quorum was present.

BYLAW AMENDMENTS

Mr. Gulati indicated that Board could discuss the proposed Bylaw Amendment at the in-person Board meeting in Hawaii.

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR UPDATE

Mr. Gulati updated the Board on the potential candidate to fill the vacant independent director Board position. He informed the Board that the Nomination and Governance Committee of the Board would be speaking with the candidate later this afternoon. Mr. Gulati also updated the Board on Heidrick & Struggles becoming more involved in the search for qualified independent directors.

NATIONAL ANTHEM POLICY

It was **MOVED** to approve Policy 604-1 regarding conduct during the playing of the national anthems. The motion **PASSED**.

UWS APPLICATION FOR CANADIAN TEAM

Mr. Fike updated the Board on the UWS application submitted for the Calgary Foothills women's team to play in the UWS amateur women's league. The application was **MOVED** for approval subject to CONCACAF's and FIFA's approval. The motion **PASSED**.

USL APPLICATION FOR CANADIAN TEAM

Mr. Gulati updated the Board on the USL application submitted for the Ottawa Fury to play in the USL professional league for 2017. The application for 2017 was **MOVED** for approval subject to CONCACAF's and FIFA's approval. The motion **PASSED**. Mr. Collins abstained from voting on the motion.

(At this point, the Board went into executive session. The minutes for this session are contained in a separate document.)

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

