

MINUTES
UNITED STATES SOCCER FEDERATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FOXBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS
JUNE 4, 2011
8:30 A.M. ET

PRESENT: Sunil Gulati, Bill Bosgraaf, Dr. S. Robert Contiguglia, Carlos Cordeiro, Mike Edwards, Daniel Flynn, Danielle Fotopoulos, Don Garber, Richard Groff, Jon McCullough, Fabian Núñez, Donna Shalala.

BY PHONE: Jeff Agoos, Tonya Antonucci, Bob Palmeiro, John Sutter.

REGRETS: Burton Haimes.

IN ATTENDANCE: Melissa Biniewicz, Gregory Fike, Eric Gleason, Lisa Levine, Brian Remedi

President Gulati called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Melissa Biniewicz took roll call and announced that a quorum was present.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 11, 2011 meeting in Las Vegas and the executive session minutes for the same meeting. The minutes for the meeting were **APPROVED**.

PRESIDENT'S/SECRETARY GENERAL'S REPORT

President Gulati informed the Board that a retreat would be scheduled for long-term planning for the Board of Directors. He also updated the Board on the start of the Women's World Cup, the Men's Gold Cup, and the u-17 boys' World Cup where the Federation's teams would be competing.

Dan Flynn updated the Board on the final financials for FY2011 and the current financials for FY2012. Mr. Flynn also updated the Board on the player development summit and the new youth coaching curriculum. He informed the Board that the Hall of Fame approved a new Board of Directors.

Mike Edwards updated the Board on the Referee Committee and the new AR track.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Flynn updated the Board on the status of NASL which hired David Downs as its commissioner, USL Pro, and WPS. Don Garber updated the Board on the status of MLS.



WISCONSIN UPDATE

Greg Fike informed the Board that both the youth and adult State Associations had minor monetary complaints but the financial review provided no real insight into these complaints. Mr. Fike advised the Board that it could consider the matter closed without any further action.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO POLICY 531-1

Mr. Edwards introduced a policy amendment to require all Organization Members to have a point of contact for referee assault. It was **MOVED** to approve the amendment to Policy 531-1. The motion **PASSED**.

NEW BUSINESS

Lisa Levine introduced a policy amendment to bring the Federation into compliance with FIFA's international transfer system introduced in 2010. It was **MOVED** to approve the amendment to Policy 601-6. The motion **PASSED**.

APPLICATION BY NORTH DAKOTA SOCCER ASSOCIATION TO BE THE ADULT STATE ASSOCIATION IN NORTH DAKOTA

Mr. Fike updated the Board on the Rules Committee review of the North Dakota application. It was **MOVED** to provisionally accept the North Dakota Soccer Association as the adult State Association in North Dakota. The motion **PASSED**.

2013 AGM

President Gulati informed the Board that the Federation was working on a series of events around the 100th anniversary of the Federation, and he would keep the Board updated on the progress.

DISTRIBUTION OF INTERNATIONAL GAME FEES

Mr. Groff requested President Gulati form a task force to review the division of international games fees received by State Associations. President Gulati agreed to appoint a task force to review the issue.

FEES FOR "PROFESSIONAL TEAMS" PARTICIPATING IN AMATEUR LEAGUES

Mr. Groff requested President Gulati form a task force to review the issue of "professional teams" participating in amateur leagues and what fees such teams should pay. President Gulati agreed to appoint a task force to review the issue.

PANEL OF GRIEVANCE ARBOTRATORS

Ms. Levine asked the Board to approve adding four arbitrators, C. Mark Baker, Jeffrey G. Benz, Michael E. Oliveau and John Charles Thomas, to the panel and removing Charlie Lee from the panel. It was **MOVED** to approve the additions to the panel and the removal from the panel. The motion **PASSED**.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION BY NORTH AMERICAN ADULT SOCCER ASSOCIATION TO BE AN OTHER AFFILIATE

Ms. Levine informed the Board that the Federation had received an application from the North American Adult Soccer Association to be an Other Affiliate. The application was referred to the Rules Committee for review.

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

GOOD OF THE GAME

President Gulati thanked Tonya Antonucci for her years of service on the Board since this would be her last meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

