

MINUTES
UNITED STATES SOCCER FEDERATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MIAMI, FLORIDA
MARCH 2, 2012
8:00 A.M. ET

PRESENT: Sunil Gulati, Bill Bosgraaf, Carlos Cordeiro, Mike Edwards, Daniel Flynn, Don Garber, Richard Groff, Burton Haimes, Jon McCullough, Fabian Núñez, Bob Palmeiro, Kevin Payne, John Sutter.

TELEPHONE: Dr. S. Robert Contiguglia, Danielle Fotopoulos.

REGRETS: Jeff Agoos, Donna Shalala.

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

President Gulati called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

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

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the November 20, 2011 meeting in Los Angeles and the executive session minutes for the same meeting; the executive session minutes of December 12, 2011 telephonic meeting; and the minutes of the January 30, 2012 telephonic meeting. The minutes for the meetings were **APPROVED**.

2013 AGM

President Gulati updated the Board on plans for holding the 2013 AGM in June around a national team game. The Board approved proposing the change to the U.S. Soccer National Council.

APPLICATION TO REPLACE TENNESSEE ADULT STATE ASSOCIATION

Greg Fike informed the Board that the application to replace the Tennessee Adult State Association was withdrawn after the parties agreed to a settlement.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO POLICY 214-2-MEMBERSHIP FEES

Richard Groff proposed a policy amendment that requires state associations to pay a \$10,000 membership fee if the state association does not also register with another organization member. It was **MOVED** to adopt the policy amendment. The policy amendment **PASSED**.

TASK FORCE ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF INTERNATIONAL GAMES FEES

Mike Edwards updated the Board on the progress of the task force on the distribution of international game fees to organization members.



NEVADA SRA

Mr. Fike informed the Board that the position of Nevada SRA was still vacant. Mr. Edwards informed the Board that U.S. Soccer Referee Committee recommended that the Nevada SYRA, Scott Conner, be named as the SRA if the State Associations did not appoint an SRA by March 15, 2012.

U.S. SOCCER FOUNDATION

Ed Foster-Simeon, the President/CEO of the U.S. Soccer Foundation, updated the Board on the activities of the Foundation.

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR NOMINATION

President Gulati recommended that the Board support the re-nomination of Donna Shalala for the position of Independent Director and the Board unanimously agreed.

2012 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

President Gulati informed the Board that the remaining schedule for Board meetings in 2012 will be: 1) June 8, 2012 in Tampa, FL; 2) August 15, 2012 in Mexico City (to be confirmed); and 3) December 1, 2012 at the MLS Cup (location to be determined).

(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 9:50 a.m.

