

Oregon Youth Soccer Association  
Regular Board Meeting  
May 2, 2011  
Beaverton, Oregon

**Meeting called to order by President, Matt Madeira, at 6:35 PM**

**A quorum was declared by Matt Madeira.**

**Board members attending:**

Matt Madeira, President  
Vicki Pounds, District Director  
Steve Baker, District Director  
John Thomas, District Director  
Don Newell, District Director, via phone

Steve Meckel, Vice President  
John Cronkrite, District Director  
Keith Blackerby, Director at Large  
Steve Hershberger, District Director, via phone  
David Wagner, Sec & Treasurer, via phone

**Others attending:**

Chuck Keers, Executive Director  
Brian Scott, Member Services Coord.

Mike Smith, Technical Director  
Kelly Ward, Admin Director

**Minutes**

- Minutes from the April Board Meeting were accepted as presented.

**Reports**

- Board Reports accepted as presented
  - Executive Director's Report (Exhibit A)
  - Member Services' Report (Exhibit B)

**New Business**

- FY11/12 Budget – The Budget is in final draft, but the staff is working on a few adjustments. The final budget will be brought to the June Board Meeting for approval
- Board Member Appointment – Jodie DeMoe is being presented to the Board as a candidate for the District Director for the Western District. Jodie is currently serving as the President of McMinnville Youth Soccer Association. Staff was asked to solicit feedback from the clubs in the district regarding this appointment and then her appointment will be ratified at the June Board Meeting.

The Board will hold the next Regular Board Meeting on June 6, 2011 at 6:30 pm. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelly Ward, Director of Administrative Services

**Oregon Youth Soccer****Executive Director's Report****May 2, 2011**

**FY 11/12 Budget** – The Finance Committee Meeting was postponed and is now scheduled for Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, just prior to the Board Meeting. We won't know what PYSA intends to do until later in May, so our budget discussion will need to take that uncertainly into account.

**Portland Youth Soccer Association** – As announced earlier, the PYSA Board of Directors unanimously approved rejoining OYSA for the 2011/12 seasonal year. They are meeting with their member clubs to share their decision and discuss any concerns they might have before they make a final decision.

**OYSA Fall 2011 League** – We held a meeting with a number of clubs that participated in our fall league last year and presumably will be in our fall league this year as well. We shared our league structure and have general agreement on how to proceed. The biggest change is that we probably will not have a state-wide premier league as many of the teams that played premier last year don't want travel as much as they did last year. They can get similar competition in our Portland Metro League (PML). This is viable for about 80% of the teams but creates serious challenges for premier teams in Bend and Southern Oregon. We will hold an end of season tournament for top teams in each region.

**Far West Regional League** – We have been working with the Director of the Far West Regional League to expand their Northwest Division this fall for U13 and U14 teams in an effort to provide premier level playing opportunities for teams from Bend, Medford, Roseburg and Ashland – and elsewhere in the state – since we won't have a state-wide premier league for those teams.

**Soccer Pacific Exchange** – We have announced this new event for U11 and U12 recreational teams in the greater Portland area. It will be held over two days; August 20<sup>th</sup> in Washington and August 27<sup>th</sup> in Oregon. It is a pre-season fun playing experience that will include an evening/late afternoon dinner (barbeque, sandwiches, etc.) for the visiting teams.

**Portland Rain** – I met with the owner of the Portland Rain and it appears at this time that we will be renewing our sponsorship with them for our girl's ODP program next year. This will not only save our players a significant amount of money for their apparel, but will save us from having to purchase coach's apparel and program equipment. We will also earn some revenue from Rain player camps.

**Positive Coaching Alliance** – I am exploring a partnership with the Positive Coaching Alliance to promote an on line course for coaches that focus on character and sportsmanship and one for parent education in a sports context.

**Portland Timbers** – Attended a Pre-Game Reception at the Mac Club in advance of the Timbers' inaugural MLS home game at Geld Wen Park on May 14th. Portland Mayor, Sam Adams, Timbers' Owner, Merritt Paulson and MLS Commissioner, Don Garber was also in attendance. We will be part of the half-time ceremony on May 30<sup>th</sup> as the Timbers will present OYSA with a check from the Portland Timbers' Community Fund for our TOPSoccer Program.

**Oregon State Championships and Presidents Cup Champions** – The Oregon State Championships, i.e., State Cup, will be on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Cascade FC Field Complex in Salem – 5201 State Street. First game is at 9:00 AM. Please stop if you like. We will also be holding Presidents Cup Finals at the same time, so it should be a great day of soccer.

**Affinity Development Group** – I have been negotiating an extension to our online registration, gaming and business solutions systems with Affinity and they have agreed to a favorable price for the next three years.

**Oregon State Fair** – I am working with the organizers of the Oregon State Fair about having a soccer presence in their Sports and Recreation area this year.

## **Member Services Report**

May 2, 2011

### **Club Development**

We have received an application from La Amistad Soccer Club to be a member of Oregon Youth Soccer. La Amistad Soccer Club is incorporated with the State of Oregon as a nonprofit corporation and has stated they are applying to become a tax exempt organization. They have been providing soccer playing opportunities in the East Portland area for a few years, but have not been affiliated with OYSA or any other USSF organizational member.

Staff continues to work with clubs with bylaws and club administration issues.

### **Risk Management**

The pace of adult registrations is picking up with both Spring 2011 and fall 2011-12 registrations under way with member clubs.

Affinity is on track to complete a risk pass template that can be used to print a risk pass for anyone who has completed a background check. This is scheduled to be ready before card printing for the 2011-12 season is turned on in June.

### **Leagues and Tournaments**

Spring and Winter leagues have completed play.

Presidents Cup semifinals were played in Milwaukie April 30-May 1.

State Cup semifinals were played in Bend April 30-May 1. State Cup brackets that advanced directly to the finals were also completed the weekend of April 30-May 1.

State Cup and Presidents Cup finals are scheduled for May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Cascade soccer complex in Salem.

OYSA has reserved entries for Far West Regional competition at all ages/genders from U12-U19. We will have Presidents Cup representatives at U13 and U14 boys and girls, and U16 boys.

### **TOPSoccer**

OYSA TOPSoccer was awarded a \$5,000 grant by the Portland Timbers Community Foundation. There will be an acknowledgment ceremony for all grant recipients at the Timbers home match April 30<sup>th</sup>. John Hanna as TOPSoccer Chair is scheduled to represent OYSA at the award ceremony.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brian Scott  
Member Services Coordinator