



**Region IV council Meeting
February 6, 2003
Westin Hotel
Indianapolis, IN**

Call to Order-Director Darl Rose called the Council Meeting to order at 1:32 PM.

A moment of Silence was observed for the fallen crew of Columbia and all the known and unknown family members of soccer.

Ray Welch, Chairman of Region IV Top Soccer program, led us in the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call and Voting Strength: Secretary Bolin called roll and established voting strength for each

Position	Name	Votes	Position	Name	Votes
AK- President	Joe Ver	3	MT-President	John Hollow	3
AZ-VP	Rick Timmons	3	NV-President	Sally Kodya	3
CN-President	John Murphy	6	NM-President	Mark Paffett	3
CS-President	Rod Short	5	OR-President	Steve Baker	5
CO-President	Les McPherson	5	UT-President	Paul Burke	4
HI-President	Scott Keopuhiwa	3	WA-President	Ron Copple	6
ID-President	Jim Coleman	3	WY-President	Ken Uhrich	3
Deputy Director	Ron Cooke	1	Deputy Director	Jolene Woodhave	1
Treasurer	John Mikenis	1	Secretary	Linda Bolin	1
Director	Darl Rose	0			

state. A quorum was established with 59 votes present.

Approval of Hawaii minutes-**Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from Hawaii (10/20/02) as previously published without any changes. Motion Passed #(1)**

Announcements by Director Rose included the following introductions and items:

- Introductions of the following individuals were made and they were given the opportunity to address the Council members: Larry Harmon-NBOD member- welcomed everyone to Indianapolis and wished the Council a successful meeting; Dave Johnson-Soccer Start; Rich DeJana- Secretary of USYS; Jim Hamilton-Foundation Member.
- Hall of Fame inductee Virgil Lewis was recognized in abstention. Due to his absence award will be presented at later date in his home state of New Mexico.

Treasurer's Report- John Mikenis- report is current through January 31, 2003. Several questions were asked concerning the deficit and what cut have been looked at within current programs. The following cut have been recommended: \$100,000 (Coaches); \$42,000 (National Championship); \$30,000 America Cup; \$62,000 (National ODP Championships); \$27,000 (Soccer Grant); \$30,000 (Website); \$103,000 (Marketing); \$19,000 (National Championship Finasl) \$36,000 (BODP) and \$8,000 (National Office).

Move to accept financial report-Carried (#2)

New Business:

FWR Tournament- "So you want to Host FWR Tournament"- there is a new section in the FWR Manual as an appendix that should be of great assistance in understanding the details and the what it's of hosting. Discussion followed for changing dates of 2006 and 2007 FWR Tournament. New dates will be June 17-21, 2006 and June 18-23, 2007

Michele Schreiner (HI) distributed a packet with update information for upcoming 2003 FWR tournament. Please note that there will be no hosted shuttles from the various hotels.

Fall Workshop 2003 (Colorado). Packet was given to each state with detail information. Heritage Square will be the evening's activity. Room rate will be \$69.00 per night. Questions can be directed to the Colorado office.

Premier League-(Director Rose)- Several meeting have taken place in order to establish the rules for Premier League and Director's Cup- things have changes since the October meeting in Hawaii. Region IV is behind the curve in the process. The Region has to commit \$20,000.00 to cover the program, even though at the time we do not have teams. I have appointed Ron Cooke-Premier League and Jolene Woodhave-Director's Cup respective as Commissioners for the program.

We must get on the ball and proceed with the program this year. We have lost some teams to the US Club Soccer. Competition must be in place for determining winners to represent Region IV. (Ron and Jolene)- Straw Poll of states to see if any have knowledge of teams wishing to participate- *results were about 5 core states have teams in both genders and all age groups.*

Question from John Murphy (CN) are first two sheets National Rules? Answer: Yes

Hoping to have three weekends for three games each. Trying to group teams and grouping will be based on the number of teams entered. March 14th is posted date to have teams entered at the regional level. Question from Scott Weston (CN) asked about pass card from adidas, as stated in format. Answer: they will use current passes as issued by state. Forms will be posted on the Region IV website once approval is made at the Council. States will have to approve the rosters. For those states that have a combined number of players, the state that has the most players will be assuming responsibility for that team.

John Murphy (CN) would like in **36 font** that the word state certification be replaced with verbiage of STATE APPROVAL. It was agreed that verbiage would be changed to reflect this.

Steve Baker (OR) expressed his concern that teams would forfeit the entry fee due to lateness of notification of schedules and venues. Paul Burke (UT) seconding the idea of a set venue and dates. Suggested dates are: **May 31 ; June 14; July 12**

States will have to provide a site in their area for games to be played. Referees will be covered through Crystal Yant, Region IV Referee Administrator.

Rod Falor from WA expressed concerns about teams with state combined players.

Ron Copple (WA) change elite player to read **top player(s)**.

Concerns about team application roster and team form must be approved by the US National state soccer association (NSA).

Team Entry fee is Cost per team is \$450.00.

Motion: WA that we accept the National League program for Director's Cup as the program for Region IV. Second: Passed (#3) CS was opposed

Good of the Game:

Director Darl Rose recognized Ron Copple-President of Washington for his contributions to the Region. This will be Ron's last meeting as Washington's president, as the state's AGM is in April and Ron is not seeking another term. Ron will be greatly missed.

Ron spoke to the Council expressing his thanks for the leadership and support within the Region.

In Ron's usual twist of humor, he presented Darl with a Washington state logo director's chair for viewing games in Hawaii.

WY- hired a state coach.

ID-Capitol Youth Soccer Association and the state have resolved most of our differences.

With a lot of support between the groups the whole state will be stronger.

UT- would like to invite all states to honor player passes from within other states.

NV- Biggest Silver State Cup ever. Thanked Joyce Pineda for her assistance with ODP.

CS- State is moving programs forward via updating manuals and sharing at shows.

HI- thanked everyone for participating at the fall workshop and coming back in June for FWR.

AK- Pleased to recognize Coach of The Year, even if we do have to share with WA.

NM- just completed registration for Snickers Cup

MT- Second state meeting in problem solving

CO- Used electronic voting for first time. We have had to reduce our spring season due to drought conditions.

Young Referee of the Year (Jolene Woodhave)- applications due April 1st and should be submitted to me. If you need forms please contact me asap.

Ron Cooke- Thanked Ron Copple for his years of service and support to the Region. All members of the Council joined Ron in this statement and gave Ron Copple a hearty round of applause.

Move to adjourn: 3:40 PM

Submitted,

L. Bolin