

October 21, 2007

8:35 Call to order

Roll Call – voting strength is at 55. Nevada not present

Alaska Moved for voting strength, Cal North seconded.

Phil English presented the treasurer's report

Cal South moved, Hawaii seconded to approve the budget. Passed unanimously.

Jolene stated there were no new announcements.

Scott had correction to the minutes, the players name is Tasha.  
Cal South, Ann Shomak name correction.

Hawaii moved, Alaska seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. Passed unanimously.

#### Reports

Tom Mendoth – Far West Regionals – lost snickers, field layout and banner placement will be done this afternoon. Ann and Jolene are reviewing Hotel choices for 09. Three bids have been accepted for 2010, Idaho, New Mexico and Nevada. Turf fields, viability of using turf fields in the future. Unprepared to use turf fields in Vegas. The next 2 years will be grass fields only. There has been discussion concerning rules relating to the use of turf fields. Tom asked for comments and direction concerning a proposal. Committee consensus was to table the issue since there would not be a need for the next two years. If Nevada hosts in 2010 there will be turf fields and then a policy will be needed for the management and use of turf fields. Discussion continued concerning a turf and/or environmental conditions policy. The National level does not have a turf or environmental policy because turf fields have not been used for Nationals. More discussion concerning weather related policies and the use of a risk assessment program that the military utilizes. Consensus was that an environmental guideline policy be created to cover not only turf field issues but also weather issues. Tom will put together a draft policy available by the National Convention. Jolene would like Bruce and Randy work with Tom on this draft. A suggestion was made to have Pat from Risk Management also be involved in the draft phase. US Youth soccer has research information on turf fields that should be looked at also.

Jolene introduced Evelyn, Vice President US Youth Soccer.

Jim Tilley – Far West Regional League – Trustee meeting formulated a plan for long term format options. Formation of a northern sub region including Idaho, Montana, Northern Utah.

3 rule changes:

Forfeits due to failure to appear-5.03 and 5.04, Cal North moved to adopt changes to 5.03 and 5.04, Cal South seconded. Passed unanimously.

3.02 clearly defines guest player rule, Cal North moved, Cal South seconded. Passed unanimously.

Adjustment to field policy. Provides for grievances and defines procedure for dealing with appeals.

Arizona moved. Cal South seconded. Passed unanimously.

Cal South moved for 5.03 and 5.04 to be effective at the end of the fall season. Cal North seconded. Passed unanimously.

8.03- Referee fee to be increased \$10 per game \$5 per team, effective in the spring season. Cal North moved to accept. Cal South seconded. Passed unanimously

Nevada is now present. Increased voting strength to 58. Passed unanimously.

Cal North moved to accept his proposal. Wyoming seconded. Passed unanimously.

Conference call on November 14, 9:00 Mountain time zone, 8:00 Pacific. E-mail agenda items to Jolene a week before.

Ratification of committee appointments. Jolene proposed adding a DOC committee. Idaho moved to add DOC committee to Region IV, ? seconded.

Discussion ensued concerning adding this committee/position or give the coaching committee the responsibility of being the liaison for the DOC.

Jolene stated that at this point in time a new position will not be added but existing committee will be expanded. Coaching Committee chair will now be Greg Moss.

Idaho moved to accept committee chairs. Utah seconded.

Discussion ensued concerning if there is a conflict of interest with Greg Moss as the Coaching Committee Chair because of his connection with the MLS.

Motion to approve all committee chairs except for Greg Moss by Cal South, seconded by Alaska. Passed unanimously.

Utah moved to accept Greg Moss, Washington seconded.

Alaska yes

Arizona no

Cal north no

Cal south no

Colo no

Hawaii no

Idaho yes

Montana not present

Nevada yes

NM no

Oregon no

Utah yes

Wash yes

Wyo yes

Ron cooke yes

Mangus yes

Motion defeated.

Cal North moved that Mike Smith remain Coaching Committee Chair, Alaska seconded.

Alaska abstain

Arizona yes

Cal north yes

Cal south yes

Colo yes

Hawaii no

Idaho no

Montana not present

Nevada no

NM yes

Oregon yes

Utah no

Wash no

Wyo no

Cooke yes

Mangus yes

Motion passed. Yes 30 no 22. Mike Smith is appointed as Coaching Committee Chair.

There was a budget approval while the votes were being counted.

Jolene reviewed the upcoming calendar.

Good of the Game

New Mexico – Thanks to Scott for hosting the Fall Workshop. Wish John good luck. Have reworked all documents, hired new technical director.

Cal South – Mick Dawson has passed away. Ann is in charge of 2009 Regionals and are planning a TOPSoccer festival in conjunction with the Regionals.

Lance-Arizona– Leslie Johnson has been promoted to director of programs which will make the office more efficient. Hosting ODP championships in January.

Scott – Utah -Thanks to Scott for a wonderful time.

John – Cal North – TOPSoccer is doing great. Will remain on the Board of Directors and will still be involved in USYS.

Deb – Wyoming – Thanks for a warm welcome. Losing ODP administrator to Utah. Thanks to Scott for a wonderful time

Joe –Alaska - Thanks to Scott.

Greg –Cal South - Thanks to Scott and Michelle for the great weekend.

Craig - Idaho– First time at one of these events. This is a wonderful group of people. New director of coaching in Idaho. Registered almost 10,000 players this fall and the goal for next fall is 20,000. TOPSoccer program is very strong.

Eddie – Nevada – Thanks to Scott. Have made some huge strides in the last three years.

Todd – Washington – Thanks to Scott, great event. Washington is hosting the 08 TOPSoccer symposium.

Jon – Colorado – Thanks to Scott for the hospitality. Thanks to Jolene and Evelyn also.

Scott – Hawaii – Thanks to all the attendees and is happy that everyone enjoyed themselves. Thanks to Michelle for her help in coordinating last night's event. Thanks to Herb also. Wishes everyone safe travels. Some of you will be back in February and again in June for Far West Regionals. Thanks to Jolene and Region IV staff, Evelyn and Sam Snow for joining us.

Brent – Thanks to John and well wishes to you. Thanks to Scott. Change is difficult but we will move forward and things will get better.

Ron Cooke – Thanks to Scott for a wonderful weekend.

Evelyn – Thanks to all for warm welcome and the great weekend.

Penny – Idaho- Thanked everyone for their support and helping to make the weekend easier.

Jolene - Thanks to Scott and Michelle for a great weekend, and Herb too. Thanks to John for his support and friendship. Thanks to all the attendees.

Colorado moved to adjourn.  
Meeting adjourned at 10:57