



Massachusetts Adult State Soccer Association

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Minutes MASS Annual Meeting of May 20, 2010

Wellesley Community Center, Wellesley, MA

President Cezar Wislocki-Wasecki called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM.

I. Roll Call

BSSL 2	CMO35 1	EMWSL 2	EMMSA 1	FRSL 1
GWASA 1	NELASA 1	MSSL 1	NEOTHSL 6	OCSL 1
OCWSL 1	VFA 1	WAYSAs 1	LUSA 1	CSL -1
President	Vice President	Treasurer	Secretary	

Total Votes for MASS 26, Total votes present 20 (Bold) Quorum present

- Officers non-voting members for Elections

Voting members present as follows:

- Brandon Bartley, president for BSSL
- Diana McKee, president of EMWSL
- Joe McGrath, director EMMSA (now called Twilight Summer League)
- Jim Antonakas, president of MSSL
- Julian Dunlop, president of NEOTHSL
- Vince Savill, president OCSL
- Carlos Amado, president NELASA
- Marcos Garcia, president CSL
- Cezar Wislocki Wasecki, MASS President
- Steven Siniscalchi, MASS Secretary
- Rich Frongillo, MASS Treasurer
- Tony Dubrowski, MASS Vice President
- Andy Weiss, SRA Referee Administrator (non voting)

Committee members and other interested parties

II. Minutes of Prior Meetings

Accept minutes of Semi-Annual Meeting of 11-05-09, motioned Tony Dubrowski, second Brandon Bartley, motion passed unanimously.

III. Vote to approve returning league member Central American Soccer League CSL

Motion by Julian Dunlop to approve CSL as a MASS BOD voting member. This was seconded and passed unanimous.

IV. Reports of Officers

Secretary Report

- ✓ Updated contact list was included with meeting handout, electronic version to be sent to all board members. Collection of bylaws mentioned and requested by Secretary per MASS constitution. More people needed for Disciplinary committee duties.
- ✓ Jonathan Beck volunteered to be MSSL rep for Disciplinary Committee. Mario Santos volunteered to be Disciplinary member for NELASA. President appointed both to committee membership. Motion made to approve appointment of Beck and Santos and all existing members of all committees. Seconded and this was passed unanimously.
- ✓ Suspended players list is updated and posted online.

Vice President Report

- ✓ The new Champions League started with four teams playing on weekday evenings. This year the event will be held between April and August of 2010. Sixteen teams participating for 2010.
- ✓ Tony reported that the Donnelly Cup will be held in July in conjunction with the Veterans Cup. MASS will participate with both men and women's teams. Several out of state teams will be participating. This competition is open to select teams.

Treasurer Report

- ✓ See below for details.

President's Report

- ✓ It was announced that Richard Groff has been selected to USASA presidency.
- ✓ Since our state has mandatory health insurance, MASS is pushing to get a waiver for the medical portion of our insurance bill from USASA.

- ✓ Demosphere database system has been replaced by a new system at USASA yet to be announced.
- ✓ Veterans Cup. Thanks to all who worked hard to make the 2009 Veterans Cup a success. We had 104 teams which is a new record for the Veterans Cup. Thanks to Julian, Diana, Andy and many others for efforts to make the Veterans Cup a success.
- ✓ For the future, hoping for another good 2010 Veterans Cup. Once the Veteran's Cup leaves, Cezar would like to see a New England Tournament, hosted by MASS but covering men, women and different age groups.
- ✓ Committee appointments by President:
 - Donal Keane as Appeal Committee Chair
 - Paul Barrow as Appeal Committee member
 - Carlos Amado as State Cup Commissioner
 - Del Rainho and Al Cordero new positions with Referee Committee
 - All unanimously approved by Board of Directors.

V. Reports of Committees

Registrar

- ✓ Diana is hoping the new database system will be an improvement. Diana is investigating newer pass card systems for league registration of players. There was some discussion on the merits of various systems.
- ✓ All leagues should be sending in their registration database to Diana. Furthermore, additional medical player coverage is available thru USASA.

Insurance Discussion

- ✓ Cezar explained that MASS can request a waiver of the medical portion of the USASA insurance. He pointed out that we paid almost 100,000 dollars in premiums in two years and collected only 2,000 in claims. Much discussion about medical insurance. Discussion of self insurance for medical and MYSA (Mass Youth Soccer) and their self insured policy for medical.

Veteran's Cup Committee

- ✓ Julian Dunlop, committee chair, Veteran's Cup for 2010 will be July 13 –July 18. He repeated the announced success of 2009 Cup.
- ✓ Motion by Julian Dunlop, MASS Soccer should budget to Pay 2011 entrance fees for teams traveling to the USASA Veteran's Cup. Motion passed.

- ✓ Julian recommended that MASS should consider running a late summer tournament each year. Much discussion and agreement.

Report from Referee Committee

- ✓ Andy Weiss spoke with MYSA president and he believes that they would agree to work with MASS for self-insurance for medical for adult players.
- ✓ Referee academy being run by Angelo Bratsis. More referees are seeking upgrades.
- ✓ Committee is considering a financial aid program for younger referees.

Mass Disciplinary Committee

- ✓ Andy Weiss reviewed the method and reasons for reporting referee assaults/ abuse to MASS. Chairman Garrett Solomon not present. Committee activity is ongoing.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Medical Insurance Waiver Request

- ✓ Motion by Siniscalchi, MASS should request a waiver of USASA Medical Coverage that should result in a reduction of the insurance cost of \$5 per player. Also we will look into self-insurance with MYSA. Brandon Bartley seconded. Motion passed 12-5.
- ✓ Motion by Jim Antonakas, MASS should continue to collect the \$5 per player and keep it in reserve for medical claims. Motion seconded. Motion passed 8 –7.

VII. ELECTIONS - run by VP Tony Dubrowski

- ✓ Slate Proposed, Cezar Wislocki-Wasecki for President. Steven Siniscalchi for Secretary.
- ✓ Tony asked for nominations from the floor, there were none. One vote cast by Tony for the slate. Both executives re-elected.

VII. Constitutional Changes

- ✓ Proposal 1 - Renumbered constitution in two places section 3.9
- ✓ Proposal 2 - Changed timing of AGM sections 3.1 and 4.1
- ✓ Proposal 3 - Allow email for notifications section 4 A 1
- ✓ Proposal 4 - Allow email to replace time stamp for appeals results section 4 A 2
- ✓ Proposal 5 - Allow email section 4 A 5
- ✓ Proposal 6 - Allow email section 4 A 7
- ✓ Motion to accept all changes by Siniscalchi. Seconded. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

- ✓ Budget for 2009 was a surplus. International game income was over 30K in income. Veteran's Cup budget of 10 K was only partially spent in 2009. Books being reviewed by present accountant.
- ✓ With 250K in assets, Rich recommends that we should systematically reduce that surplus by collecting less from each of the MASS members. He recommends collecting only \$2.50 per player (instead of \$5) for MASS if they pay their affiliation on time.
- ✓ Motion was by Julian Dunlop to reduce 2010 affiliation by \$5.00 per player, essentially causing MASS to collect no funds toward the 2010 budget. This was seconded. Motion passed by 11-8. MASS will collect \$15 per player for 2010, all of it will be forwarded to USASA to cover affiliation and insurance. MASS will operate on a negative budget for 2010.
- ✓ Motion proposed by Julian Dunlop to hire an administrative assistant. This is recommended by Cezar Wislocki-Wasecki. Approximately \$8,000 budgeted for 2010. Administrative assistant cannot be a board member. Motion seconded. Motion passed unanimous.
- ✓ Motion by Jim Antonakas to budget \$5,000 for champion's league for 2010. Much discussion. Never seconded. Rich has recommended a \$3,000 addition to the budget for Champions league. Motion by Rich to accept the budget as modified by above changes. Motion seconded. Motion passed.

VIII. Adjournment

All business being completed a motion for adjournment was made and seconded and passed unanimous. Meeting ended at approximately 9:30 pm.

Prepared by: Steven Siniscalchi, MASS Secretary


APPROVED 
STEVEN SINISCALCHI, MASS Secretary