

LYSA BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, October 18, 2006
7:30 PM
Minutes
Kentucky Indoor Soccer & Sports

Name	Title	Attendance
Larry Cook	President	Yes
Bill McNees	Vice President	Yes
David McDaniel	Treasurer	Yes
Tami Shell	Secretary	Yes
Garrett Stark	Director Micro League	No
Mike Dunnigan	Director Training League	Yes
David Lucas	Director Junior League	No
	Deputy Director Junior	-
	Director Senior League	-
Steve Ales	Director Varsity League	Yes
	Deputy Director Varsity League	-
Claire Delormas	Director Choice	No
Graham Rowles	Director LFC	Yes
Jennie Lock	Director Amateur	Yes
Gary Fogtman	Director External Affairs	Yes
Luke Morgan	Deputy Director External Affairs	No
Gary Fogtman	Director Fields	Yes
Andy Coleman	Director Officiating	Yes
Ed Pavlik	Director Coaching	Yes
Cindy Stokes	Director Purchasing	Yes
Nina O'Leary		Yes
Guests	Mark Poage	1
		14 attending

- 1) Call to order
 Larry Cook called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM.

- 2) Approval of Agenda
 - o No items remove from agenda.

 - o Cindy Stokes passed along a thank you from the Dunbar program for putting an ad in their program.

MOTION: Ed Pavlik moved to approve agenda as amended, Steve Ales. Agenda approved by Board.

3) Appointments / Resignations

- There are no resignations or appointments.
- Larry Cook advised the Board that David Lucas is going to leave the Board after the spring season. He has received a promotion and feels he will not have the time to serve on the Board. David is looking for someone to serve as deputy league director in the spring, to learn the ropes.

4) Budget 2006-2007

- Nina O'Leary suggested the budget be tabled until next year. Then at that time the 2007-2008 budget will be discussed.

5) Spring Play Dates

- Registration deadline – Board okay with February 15, 2007.
- Early Bird Discount deadline – Board okay with doing the discount and using January 31, 2007 as the deadline.
- Board discussed the play dates for the LYSA spring season. An email from Tami Dunnigan had the following tentative dates.
 - February 27 and March 1, 2007 – Coaches meetings
 - March 24, 2007 – first weekend of play
 - March 31 – April 8, 2007 – no games school spring break
 - April 14, 2007 – resume games
 - April 21, 28, May 5 – continue play
 - May 12, 19 – BIT (play as many games as possible)
 - May 26 – 2nd weekend of BIT or continue season play
 - June 2-3 – make-up weekend
- Larry Cook suggested that the season start on March 24, 2007 and play March 31, 2007 as the second weekend, which is the beginning of spring break. This would give LYSA six (6) weekends before the BIT. However, some Board members have a problem with playing on March 31, 2007, due to that is the first weekend of spring break. So in order to get six (6) weekends games will need to be scheduled either on the first weekend of spring break (March 31) or Memorial Day weekend.
- Some members suggested having weekday games in order to have both the first weekend of spring break and Memorial Day off. However, most of the Board members would prefer to play Memorial Day over playing during spring break.
- Ed Pavlik suggested play start on April 14, 2007 and have the season end the first weekend of June. This could raise issues with the associate leagues, Woodford and Scott counties.

- Larry Cook personally feels that LYSA should publicize and reserve the dates from March 24th through June 2nd and 3rd. Then LYSA will schedule as they have to.
- Gary Fogtman stated that if games are played on the weekend of May 26th there may be a shortage of referees due to the state cup being played in the area. The State Cup dates will be decided once LYSA has set their schedule.
- Nina O’Leary raised the questions as to what’s the point of saying we will start play in March. Larry Cook answered with, he doesn’t know how many teams and when the other two (2) organizations are going to play. If they state that they are starting in March and finish prior to Memorial Day then our teams cannot play, because they will be done.
- Mike Dunnigan suggested the dates be decided tonight with regards to opening weekend and spring break so families could plan their schedules. However, we still don’t have the dates for the other two (2) organizations.
- Cindy Stokes stated that if we don’t schedule games on spring break will be a good gesture to participants.

MOTION: Steve Ales moved that this august group give the President the authority to set six (6) weekends of play, with the advice and consent of our associate organizations, Woodford, Scott and Jessamine(if still applicable). With the preference of this august group being not to play spring break, and not to play March 24, 2007, but if, it is required to happen because of the end of season play for Woodford and Scott, then so be it. With March 24, 2007 being the first weekend of play and March 31, 2007 being the second if necessary. Motion second by Ed Pavlik, and motion approved by Board.

- Ed Pavlik wanted to add to the minutes that he has tried to schedule coaches meetings, but was unsuccessful. Will not be able to schedule until after January 1st.

6) Team Formation Issues

- a. Cherry Picking U8/U10
 - b. “Play With A Friend” rule
 - c. Roster Size for Small Sided Teams – Problems & Solutions
 - d. Team Formation Committee
- Larry Cook proposed that the issues be referred to the Team Formation Committee. The committee members are Cindy Stokes, Jennie Lock, David Lucas and Tami Dunnigan. Cindy Stokes stated that these issues have come up before the committee, and will be able to report on their findings at the next meeting. Larry Cook requested the committee’s findings be given to the Board for review the Monday prior to the next meeting.
 - Cherry Picking U8/U10, is not a team formation issue it is a play in the field rule. Cherry Picking is when coaches take advantage on the no offside rule in

U8/U10. Mike Dunnigan raised the issue as to whether we need a rule change. Gary Fogtman thought that there was a rule relating to sprit or sportsmanship conduct, but Mike Dunnigan said there is not one in the LYSA Simplified Soccer Rules.

- Larry Cook asked the Board how we deal with the issue. Members feel that off sides should come back to U10. It was taken out to follow KYSA rules. Ed Pavlik states that this has been discussed with all of the coaches.
- Nina O’Leary suggested that the league directors come up with something. Steve Ales stated that the Board needs to decide next month what rule is going to be set, so it can be included in the referee certifications.
- Larry Cook suggested that Ed Pavlik, Andy Coleman, Mike Dunnigan and David Lucas get together and decide what to do and where to place the exception.

7) Pilot Program for Grade 9 Referee Clinic

- Andy Coleman presented to the Board a new program for training grade 9 referees. In the past the referee training wasn’t very organized or even cost effective for the host organization, if only a few people show up for training.
- The pilot program would be a grade 9 training which is an 8 hour course, divided into 2 parts. One part will be held on one of three nights and the second part will be one of another three nights. This will give a total of 6 available nights for training. Therefore, there will be more available dates for training, and the potential for training additional referees will increase due to the additional training nights. Andy feels that with this program we could train 70 – 75 additional referees. The cost of the program will be \$270/session for 1 instructor and \$540/session for 2 instructors. This cost would be in lieu of the \$900 bond put up in the past, but the organization would not receive the fees back. If the program is successful the state organization would pay for the instructors.
- Andy suggested to the Board that they pay for one session with one instructor which is \$270.

MOTION: Gary Fogtman moved to authorize Andy Coleman to spend up to \$550 to finance the pilot grade-9 referee clinic for the up coming training sessions in January and February 2007, Bill McNees second. Motion approved by Board, which also requested an update from Andy once the pilot sessions are completed.

8) Background Check Process

- Process - Ed Pavlik reported that the completion of the background checks is running seriously behind. It looks like the checks will not be completed by season end. The delay is not due to anything LYSA has done, it is all due to

the backlog in Frankfort. Nina O’Leary also reported that if the background checks are completed online, all of that information can then be sent in on one spreadsheet, and that would expedite the process. Mike Dunnigan also reported that LYSA will retain all of the information so multi-season coaches would not need to submit the information again, unless they have moved.

- Action vs. Non-Action – Ed Pavlik reported that there was an outstanding bench warrant out on one of the coaches this season, and wanted to address the Board as to what should be done. Ed has discussed this situation with a law enforcement officer, which felt very strongly that the person should not coach soccer. In the rules LYSA doesn’t have any authorization to do anything about these types of offenses. The two options LYSA has is; 1st – if someone committed a violent crime or sex offense they cannot coach LYSA soccer; 2nd – if someone was charged with a DUI, they cannot transport any LYSA players. Nina O’Leary stated that perhaps it is time to revise the rules in order to cover this situation. Ed Pavlik will give a proposal at the next meeting, but would like for the Board to think about it in the meantime.

9) Clinics and Camps

- LYSA Summer Camp - Ed Pavlik reported that they are proceeding with the insurance issue; Sandy Blain is looking into it.
- Winter Futsal Clinic – Ed Pavlik reported that he spoke with Parviz and that Parviz requested that the camp be open only to recreational players. Therefore, Ed Pavlik made a contract with Tim covering the following conditions.
 - A. No LFC players will attend the clinic.
 - B. Will pay \$2 a player as an advertising promotion fee. (This covers the Ockerman issue of taxable income and use of name.)
 - C. The clinic will be conducted as a non-LYSA event, which satisfies the LYSA liability issue.

10) Purchase LYSA Labels by Ed Pavlik

- Ed Pavlik would like to purchase labels at the organization rate in order to promote his novel.

MOTION: Graham Rowles moved to allow Ed Palvik to purchase labels to promote his novel, Andy Coleman second. Motion approved by Board.

11) LYSA Promotions

- LYSA video Promotion Project – Ed Pavlik reported that he has been in the process of shooting a promotional video for LYSA. The promotional video can be aired for free on two channels, the governmental channel and the public school channel. There is no risk for LYSA, and if you don't like it, we don't have to use it. It could also be used for promotional material. Graham Rowles asked if the video can be used for fundraising, and Ed replied yes but may need adjusting.
- LYSA photo day – Ed Pavlik reported that the photo day was accomplished, however there was a mistake of good deed made by Time Piece. Shaun with Time Piece delivered all of the photos which were not picked up to Tami, instead of mailing them to the teams. Tami then had to return the photo to Time Piece via DHL for distribution to the teams. Overall, the session went okay.

12) USYSA Adidas Workshop and Coaches Convention

- Nina O'Leary reported that the schedule still has not been posted on the website for the convention, but if anyone is interested in attending would need to make it known soon. That way we can take advantage of the early discount.

13) Field Development Committee

- Larry Cook reported that the city council meeting will be held at 8PM, October 19, 2006, and that Cardinal Run North will be up for second reading. The first reading was made at the last council meeting two weeks ago. The plan up for vote is the 8 field plan with one field always open to the public with certain conditions. Restrooms will be constructed with ½ of the cost being paid by the city, and a development plan will need to be submitted within a year. Discussion then focused on whether the plan will pass at the meeting, and if not what will be the next step. Gary Fogtman also reported that the neighborhood had a problem with what will happen with the rest of the land, and Parks and Rec said they would reactivate the original master plan. Another question was raised, what will happen if the plan is turned down? If the plan is turned down the process will then start over again.
- The field development committee asked the Board to send a stern email to the council if the plan is turned down.

14) Micro League Incident

- Larry Cook stated that there was an incident at a U5/U6 game. Where two (2) kids had a confirmation during a game. The mother of the aggressive child stated that the mother of the other child pushed her child, and is considering pressing charges. Garrett Stark has spoke with the parents to let them know that he was going to bring this before the appeals committee. The Board decided that Larry Cook and Garrett Stark draft a letter to the families on the roster to let them know that LYSA doesn't condone this type of behavior.

15) Minutes

- Mike Dunnigan asked if it would be okay to post the Board meeting minutes on the website. Larry Cook said that we should post the minutes on the website as unapproved, but the Board feels that the minutes should be approved.

*MOTION: Ed Pavlik moved to approve the minutes, Gary Fogtman second.
Motion approved by Board.*

16) Adjourn

MOTION: Gary Fogtman moved to adjourn, seconded by Steve Ales. Board approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tami Shell, LYSA Secretary

Next LYSA Board meeting will be Wednesday, December 20th @ 7:30 PM.