

SEVYSA Meeting of 2/28/02  
Next Meeting: 03//26/02

Minutes read and approved

No Treasurers report

VYSA:

Deadline for State Cup Applications is 3/22/02

Competition Committee: No Report

Rules and Discipline: No report

Registrar: No report

Standards and Behavior: No Report

Old Business:

The new SEVYSA Rules manual will be available on the SEVYSA web site. Rep's should be prepared to discuss at the 3/26 meeting.

New Business:

Williamsburg Legacy: The Williamsburg Soccer Club was awarded the Premier Development League Franchise when it joined the United Soccer Leagues in 2001. WSC has established a U23 Premier Division that will participate in the PDL and will play regional teams in the Northern Virginia to South Carolina corridor. The team will be comprised of players from William & Mary, WSC, CNU and Beach. WSC anticipates establishing a Super "Y" league for the Peninsula in 2003.

NFC opened discussion concerning club to club player transfers. It was noted that a NFC team, which had declared for placement in an "A" bracket, now have serious doubts they will be competitive in that bracket due to player transfers which transpired after declaration. NFC also noted that if the player transfer issue was not addressed and resolved, such transfers in mid seasonal year may in fact affect a team's ability to actually field a declared team. Several opinions were provided by member clubs addressing this issue of player transfers which included the following:

Prohibit transfers for the seasonal year after the Fall season declarations.  
Allow players to transfer if players moved to a new residence.

Club reps should take the player transfer issue back to their respective clubs and be ready to address the issue at the next SEVYSA meeting.

Spring season schedule and match cards:

The IL match schedule for the spring season have no fields assigned due to RMYSL providing late information to SEVYSA for scheduling. Field maps for IL matches have not yet been provided. Both field assignments and field maps will be sent to the teams as soon as the information is made available from RMYSL.

Teams playing IL are required to mail in match cards to SEVYSA.

Small Sided Matches:

Denise Edwards recently attend the Regional Presidents meeting where the small-sided match issue was presented, discussed and considered. Region 1 passed a motion to mandate a policy that all play under the

age of 11 be small-sided play, which includes U4 through and including U11, and non-results orientated. Regions 2 and 3 support the small-sided mandate.

US Youth Soccer National Directors of Coaching proposed and endorsed small side matches for players from U4 through and including U12 and requested regional endorsement nation wide. Matches for U13 and above will revert to the standard 11v11 format.

It is anticipated that the small-sided proposal will become a National mandate and implemented on a phased in schedule beginning in the Fall 2003 season. However, because some Regions have been preparing for the small-sided concept, adoption and phase in implementation could begin as early as Fall 2002.

Virginia is NOT prepared. When implemented, the mandate will present some very unique obstacles for SEVYSA clubs to collaterally resolve.

Quality of play at Local Tournaments:

NFC requested that SEVYSA consider limiting the number of local tournaments approved for play on a given weekend. NFC cited that multiple tournaments being played on the same weekend erodes the overall quality of play at the tournaments. The issue was discussed at length and then abandoned.

Registrars:

Emily Mills has agreed to continue as a Southside registrar.

Bill Davis has agreed to step in as a Southside registrar.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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