

SEVYSA Minutes of May 28, 2002

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Halstead at 7:30 p.m.

The minutes of the April 23rd SEVYSA meeting were read and approved as written.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer: No Report

VYSA Report:

Drew Findley presented the following information that was discussed at the last VYSA Board meeting:

- The VYSA Strategic Planning Committee for Staffing proposed that VYSA consider adding nine (9) new staffing positions. Of the nine positions recommended, the VYSA Board has determined that a proposal to add three- (3) staff position will be presented at the Annual General Meeting. The proposed positions will be: an Assistant State technical Director, a State Deputy Technical Director and an Administrative Assistant. Salaries for the three proposed positions will be approximately \$135k of which \$70k can be absorbed in the proposed 2002 – 2003 VYSA budget but would leave the proposed budget \$65k short. Approval of these positions by the VYSA membership will require VYSA to increased per player dues approximately \$2.00 - \$2.50 to offset the proposed budget deficit.
- The next VYSA workshop will be held on January 24th and 25th at the Hyatt Regency, in Crystal City.

Competition Committee: No Report

Rules and Discipline: No Report

Registrar: No Report

Administrator: No Report

Standards of Behavior: No Report

Old Business:

The nominating committee will be presenting nominees for 2002 – 2003 officers at the June meeting. Nominations for officers will also be accepted from the floor at that time. Club Reps should be prepared to vote on officer nominations.

The nominations for the positions of SEVYSA Treasurer and Competition Chairman are still open. The nominating committee will be seeking individuals to fill those positions.

New Business:

- Atlantic Soccer Club presented an issue of concern regarding a high school varsity coach who will be coaching for Lafayette Soccer Club in the Fall 2002 season.

Atlantic noted that the HS/ Lafayette coach has told his Varsity and Junior Varsity that they must play on his Lafayette Select Team in order to be considered for the Spring 2003 HS Varsity team.

Atlantic has talked with Lafayette about the issue but has not received evidence of resolution.

Atlantic questioned SEVYSA if they would have jurisdiction over the issue if a complaint were to be filed or if there was an existing SEVYSA rule which would be applicable to prohibit the actions of the Lafayette coach.

SEVYSA determined that no rule is currently in place that would prevent a coach of making such a mandate of perspective players. Although no rule exists in SEVYSA that would prohibit a coach from making such demands on players, it was suggested that the issue may still be presented to R&D for investigation and recommendation to the SEVYSA Board.

- President Tom Halstead informed club rep's that the current makeup and structure of the Inter League (IL) could possibly be changing beginning in the Fall 2002 season.

VYSA has noted that other soccer entities, such as the Super Y League, have visions of extending their playing season to include Summer/ Fall/ and Spring. Currently, a number of Virginia players participate in the Summer Super Y League. Considering the possibility that Virginia players may be enticed to participate in the Super Y or other soccer entities in the Fall and Spring seasons, rather than participate in VYSA sponsored clubs, VYSA may entertain a proposal at the Annual General Meeting on June 15th to develop a state wide Premier league.

One possible vision of the Premier league would be to form both boys and girls teams selected from the top 4 teams of each gender throughout the different regions of the state. League play would include 8 – 10 matches during a playing season and at the conclusion of the season the top teams in the Premier League would participate in a playoff tournament. The new Premier League, if adopted by VYSA, may only draw from Travel Leagues.

The next SEVYSA meeting will be held in June 24, 2002 at 7:30 pm

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Bob Roth, SEVYSA VP