

**Wyoming Youth Soccer Board Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2009**

WYS Board Meeting Called to order at 9:25am by the president, Dorvan Polson

<u>Roll Call & Credentials</u>	<u>Voting Strength</u>	
President -Dorvan Polson	0	
Vice Pres - James Learned	1	
Secretary -Wendy Brown	1	
SRA - Kevin Skaggs	1	
WYS League Admin -Kathie Kremple	1	
Risk Manager -Sandy Jenkin	0	
WYS Tech Dir -Anne Moore	0	
SYRA -Doug Meade	1	* by proxy
Ref Dir of Instruction -George Ivory	1	(arrived after Vote for State Cup Location)
Casper Soccer Club	2	Cheyenne Soccer Assoc 4*
Cheyenne Sting	2*	Gillette Soccer 2
Johnson County Soccer	2*	Laramie Blizzard 2
Riverton Youth Soccer	2*	Sheridan County Soccer 2
Worland Soccer Assoc	2*	Yellowstone Fire 2
* <i>Vote by proxy</i>		

Jimmy Legerski, Julie Coon, David Debolt-Sheridan, Chuck Moon, Don Barnes-Laramie, John Guernsey-Gillette, Chris Wolf-visitor, Jeanette Prosceno-Cody, Dirk Mille, Keith Fulton-Cheyenne, Tammy Frankland-Casper.

Total Voting Strength 28 – 27 Eligible votes for State Cup location - due to a late arrival.

Minutes from the November meeting were reviewed – Dorvan called to approve the minutes as presented Laramie motioned to approve the minutes, Sheridan seconded the motion, all in favor none opposed, motion carried.

President’s Report-The presidents of Region IV are submitting a proposal to the national council of USSF to mandate common regulations on small sided games. 10 out of 14 of the Region IV states support small sided games.

Treasurer’s Report –As of January 10,2009, 3170 players registered compared to last year player registrations on the same date of 3347 a decrease of 177.00 The apparent decrease may be due to the early date that this report is being compiled. Current assets are \$103,000. Net cash flow since the beginning of the year is \$22,827. Total income is \$23,475. Compared to budget this is \$1,577 more than planned. Several clubs have outstanding balances. Big Horn Soccer \$100, Hot Springs Soccer \$100 and Lander Strikers, \$200 (miscalculation on tournament fees).

Election of Officers – Elections will be held in March for the treasurer and Vice President. James Learned has indicated that he is willing to continue as vice president, John Beckman will not continue as treasurer after August 2009.

Coaching Symposium-Anne is still trying to confirm from US Youth Soccer who the representative will be to come and present at the symposium. Anne has an outline for the weekend and asked for some suggestions and confirmation of what she had planned was similar in nature of what the coaches wanted or needed. It was suggested that a basic skills by age group be presented, team structure and samples of age appropriate skills & practice sessions. The symposium will be structured as a mini Youth Module clinic. The cost for the coach's clinic is \$15.00. A referee assignors clinic is also planned during the weekend and some administrative and team manager workshops.

The Grant from US Youth Soccer geared toward the recreational program of WYS was approved.

FWR Rooming Requirements- Lodging for the FWR is available and WYS can block rooms as a State Association, but there is a 70% guarantee on the number of rooms blocked. In the past, WYS has reserved rooms but the teams still block and book rooms on their own. The Hotels are at least 40-60 miles from the field location. It was agreed that the teams attending the FWR would be responsible for blocking and booking their own accommodations.

2010/2011 Wyoming State Cup Bid Presentations- Dorvan Polson announce the number of votes that were eligible for the vote for the State Cup 2010/11 location to be 27 votes. The vote will be done by paper ballot.

Cheyenne Soccer Association presented their power point presentation highlighting the advantages of conducting the WY State Cup in Cheyenne. The board then asked questions concerning on site medical personal if available, communication plans for such things as injuries and lightning, availability of hotels and field locations. Cheyenne was the host of the 2004/2005 Wyoming State Cup.

Sheridan Soccer Association then presented their power point presentation highlighting the field location and the advantages of having it Sheridan. The board asked the same questions of the Sheridan Association. It was also asked if the bid is awarded to Sheridan would they still continue with the Mars Cup and they stated yes they would, the Mars Cup has on average 113 teams attending.

Dorvan Polson then called for a member to vote and the votes were collected. Dorvan and Wendy left the room to tally the vote. Sheridan received 15 votes Cheyenne received 12 votes.

The 2010/11 Wyoming State Cup will be held in Sheridan, Wyoming.

Tournament Reports, Updates & Approvals

Gillette Winter Blast – 2/20 – 2/22/2009

Casper Jamboree – 4/18/2009

MARS Big Horn – 5/9-/10/2009

Cody Six Shooter – 6/6-6/7/2009

Lander will not be having the Lander Spring Thaw this year.

Gillette has submitted a request to host a fall tournament on Aug 28 -30, 2009, The Gillette Fall Blast for ages U10-U14. Don Barnes from Laramie motioned to approve the tournament as present, James Learned 2nd, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried. The Gillette Fall Blast was approved.

Administrative Reports

DOC-Report present in writing. Anne has put an emphasis on the development part of ODP. She has strived to get quality coaching to the players. Anne has seen an improvement of the development of the players'

skills from tryouts until now and that is due to the consistency of training. The players must attend 3 out of the 4 training sessions that are offered throughout the winter. The last session is in conjunction with the Coaching Symposium on Feb 28-March 1st.

There was a successful D licenses coaches clinic that was held in Gillette and Casper. 8 coaches received their D License. Another D clinic is planned in Cheyenne in February, along with an E license clinic.

The web site is being utilized with postings from Anne and links to coaching materials.

SRA/SYRA – Kevin Skaggs presented information on the status of referees in Wyoming. The age of the referee pool is currently a problem. There is a large number of younger, inexperienced referees in the state of Wyoming. Over 50% of the registered referees for 2009 are new grade 9 referees. Kevin, Doug and George are going to work on the development of the referees by increasing the education, training and experience of the referee pool. Mentoring needs to be a part of the program within the associations to develop the ability of the younger referees. There is also a lack of assessors, and instructors in Wyoming. George has one more clinic to attend before he can get his instructors designation that would allow him to certify instructors. Several referee clinics are planned in the coming months for different communities.

Travel Policy – The travel policy and required papers are posted on the web page for easy access. Sandy receives call about the travel papers and procedures from the younger competitive teams.

ODP/DOC – There are 70 players in the ODP program, 48 boys and 22 girls. The next training session will include some friendly games with the Arsenal and will be held at the UW Facility.

WyoLeague – State League dates are set for April 19, April 25-26 and May 16-17. The deadline for team registration is March 18th, schedules will be posted by April 2, 2009. There are enough medals to make it through the '09 spring season, but new medals will need to be purchased with the new logo on them.

Future meeting dates

March 1 AGM will be held in Cheyenne in conjunction with the 3rd Annual Coaches Symposium

Meeting adjourned at 12:09pm