Minutes of MSSL Board of Directors Meeting October 11, 2022

Meeting called to order at 12:10 PM by Speaker Dan Krepich.

Bob Fuhrmann, Commissioner, and all board members except for Jeff Millard are present. In addition, Brian Crozier, Ernie Regalado, and Randy Schaff are present as observers.

- 1. The board discussed several options on moving forward with the schedule for the remaining season as a result of the 6 games lost due to the extreme heat and the fires in September. Randy put forth a proposal to play a 16-game regular season which will end on November 29, 2022. The tournament would begin with the Play-in game on December 1, 2022 and would conclude on December 20, 2022. Frank offered up a motion to accept Randy's proposed schedule change. Ted seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously (6-0).
- 2. The board discussed the current substitution rule and the difficulties that many teams have had in getting subs because of the number of players out due to tournaments and injuries/illnesses. Several alternatives were discussed. Jeff Bockness made a motion to revise the substitution rules for the remainder of this season only, to make players rated 8 through 11 interchangeable. Frank seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion was defeated by a vote of 5 to 1.

The board discussed additional alternatives on the substitution rule. Frank put forward a motion to make players rated 9-11 interchangeable for the remainder of the Fall Season only. Ted seconded the motion. A vote was held, and the motion passed by a vote of 5 to 1. So, for the balance of the Fall Season *only* (including the tournament) substitutions for players rated 1 thru 5 will rquire the same or lower rating than substituted player. Substitutions for players rated 6 thru 8 can be rated 1 level higher. For example, a player rated 7 can replace a player rated 8. Players rated 9 thru 11 are interchangeable.

- 3. Bob gave the Commissioner's report.
 - Bob is still negotiating with BLD on the possibility of playing there next year. He is waiting to hear from them. Bob is hopeful that he will have an answer late this week or early next week.

- Status of the defibrillator Wheatfield Park is offering us \$350 to buy out our share of the defibrillator. We may need to shop for a new one. We may be able to use the one at BLD if we move there next year.
- Frank has provided binders with copies of the Rules and the Procedures which will be available at each field during all future games.
- 4. Treasurers Report Robb brought us up to date on the fiscal year 2023 budget (Sept 2022-Aug 2023). As of August, we have a cash balance of approximately \$4,000. We anticipate that for FY 2023 expenses will exceed income by \$2,000. Therefore, at the end of FY 2023 we anticipate having a cash balance of approximately \$2,000. Bob indicated that he is exploring the possibility of selling T-shirts to raise other incidental revenues. Robb offered up a motion to approve the FY 23 budget. Frank seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously (6 0) to approve the motion.
- 5. The board then discussed judicial matters for approximately 30 minutes.
- 6. The board agreed to schedule the next meeting for November 17, 2022.
- 7. At this point Bill motioned to adjourn the meeting. Robb seconded the motion, and the board voted unanimously to adjourn (6 to 0). The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:00 PM.

Outstanding Action Items

Previous Items (4/26/2022)

- 1. Solicit ideas from managers on how to make the manager's job more appealing. *Board*
- 2. Update schedule for remainder of the Fall Season. *Bob F*

Bill French MSSL League Secretary