



# ILLINOIS STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION

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## Monthly Meeting Notes

March 12, 2024

### Attendees:

- Claudio Frigo, President
- Mariusz Folta, Treasurer
- Renata Bechtoldt, Recording Secretary
- Hugh Orlicz, Delegate-at-Large
- Gaetano Traversa, Delegate-at-Large
- Peter Manikowski, ISRC
- Ante Loncar, Executive VP
- Erwin Fleps, Delegate-at-Large
- Duncan Riddle, Delegate-at-Large
- Karen O'Dowd, Secretary
- ~~Morgan Garcia, Delegate-at-Large~~

**Location:** 2775 Algonquin Road, Rolling Meadows, Illinois 60005

**Meeting to Order:** 7:00pm

- Motion to approve January 9, 2024 meeting minutes: Karen (1<sup>st</sup>) and Mariusz (2<sup>nd</sup>); all approve

### Agenda Topics

#### Financials (attachment):

- January 1, 2024 – March 11, 2024
- All transactions entered the Statement of Activity
- Net Revenue: \$38,225.84
- Total Liabilities and Equity: \$287,031.58
- Motion to approve: Karen (1<sup>st</sup>) and Duncan (2<sup>nd</sup>); all approve

#### Player Registrations (attachment):

- Player registration 16,212
  - Accrual/expense for player registration for USASA fees
  - No risk delaying payment to USASA until decision is taken around affiliation
  - Insurance policy / player registration
  - Midwest Premier League (USASA)
- New registrations will be coming for upcoming Spring Season

#### New Business

- ISRC committee and commentary; Peter Manikowski, leading the ISRC
  - Recovering the referee numbers pre-COVID; 4100 referees (max was 5000 in 2016)
  - Illinois recovering faster than other states for large programs

- Federation doesn't require annual training; clicking with module (no requirement from state or referee committee)
- Multiple 13 to 15 years old; prepare for the future
- 2 levels of mentoring; mentor group will feed highly competitive matches; tournaments
- Ninos – state director of assignment (adults); new assignor with youth referee program
- Continuing education on zoom (referees)
- Referee recruitment - Registration cycle begin July
- GameOfficials.net – new referee systems
- Satellite office at Palatine Soccer City
- US Olympics and creation of Safe Sport / child protection (potential legislation)

#### **Unfinished Business**

- US Soccer AGM – Erwin attended on behalf of ISSA; voting for US Vice President (6 votes in Illinois)
  - Region 2 – few activities: Over 30, Over 40 and Over 50 – go to soccer fest and Tournament of Champions
  - Next AGM in Dallas – September 2024
- IWSL | September 8, 2024 – Chicago Red Stars match – 50<sup>th</sup> celebration
- Chicago Fire Luncheon – efficient presentation and ability to demonstrate great collaboration
- League Starting Dates – IWSL in June; GCSL in April; PSL in April

Next Meeting – Tuesday, April 9, 2024

Motion to adjourn – 8:00pm