



# ILLINOIS STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION

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## EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 14, 2015

### Attendees:

- Claudio Frigo, President
- ~~Goran Guzina, Treasurer~~
- Renata Bechtoldt, Recording Secretary
- ~~Hector Nava, Delegate-at-Large~~
- Rolando Gonzalez, Delegate-at-Large
- ~~Gregory Vlamakis, Delegate-at-Large~~
- Ante Loncar, Executive VP
- Andy Sotiropoulos, Secretary
- Chester Blaszkowski, VP Marketing & PR
- ~~Filip Cejovic, Delegate-at-Large~~
- Erwin Fleps, Delegate-at-Large
- Bob Balciunas, SRA

**Location:** Rose Garden Café, Elk Grove Village

**7:11pm – Call meeting to order**

### Agenda Topics:

- Roll Call
- Minutes of previous meeting
- Correspondence
- Financial Reports
- Committee Reports
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Miscellaneous Items
- Adjournment

### Meeting Minutes

- Roll Call – please see attendees above
- Meeting Minutes from August 11, 2015 – approved by entire board

### Financial Report

- Net Income - YTD financials \$44,040
- Open Topic | Tri-County Over-30 payment (Rolando to follow-up)

### Registration Report

- Reconciliation issues between ISSA and USASA
- Money owed to ISSA for registrations
- Total player passes registered w/ISSA = 5,824
- Players passes valid until December 31, 2015

### Committee Reports

- Appeals – none

- Audits – none
- Budget - Committee | Goran and Claudio – preparation for 2016 budget
- Cups – representation from ISSA moving forward
- Hall of Fame – Vice President (Ante), Chairman (Julius, Joe, Greg, Filip; new members-Chester, Renata, Bob)
  - Venue/Location
  - Contact Julius – courtesy
  - Inductees / Recommendations
  - Nominations for 2016 Hall of Fame
  - Schedule separate meeting to kick-off all required activities for Hall of Fame Event
- Referee (Bob)
  - Adults only clinic for November – Saturday (English speaking) / Sunday (Spanish speaking)
  - CLASA referees / talent pool and potentially introducing into other leagues
  - Assessors – trouble obtaining assessors / issues with current assessor’s ability to perform tasks
  - Membership roster (CSRC members; including life-time members) – over 200 members
    - 35-36 members not registered should not be assigned matches
    - 137 referees / attended clinic but refused to complete concussion testing and back-ground checks
    - SRA taken out of the process for national candidacy of referees
- Rules – N/A
- Technology – N/A
- Marketing & PR – communications; solicitations; messaging around 100 years
- Trial Board – please note below
- Staff Operations – N/A

#### **Trial Board**

- Metropolitan League Over-30 | September 23, 2015 Trial Board
- Send letter to Hector Navas around the position change (Claudio) – committee members
- Trial Board Chairman – Andy Sotiropoulos
- Andy to send letter to all required to attend Trial Board on September 23, 2015

#### **Unfinished Business**

- AAC Eagles received \$50 payment for anniversary booklet advertisement
- Schwaben – money still owed from Schwaben Tournament (Erwin stated that Schwaben issued check)
- Czarni Jaslo - Michigan Tournament | Insurance payment (still open)
- Metropolitan Soccer League
  - Men’s First Division: Two (2) teams playing without passes the entire 2015 season
  - Debt for ID cards / liability / insurance exposure
  - Under-23 team | 13 teams in league – One (1) Team Crystal Lake Force – no passes
  - Claudio and Ante met with Steve Siomos to get this situation rectified several times. Steve promised to have the teams register completely. Steve said he would make sure they followed the registration rules completely. Steve knowingly let the 2 teams play without proper registrations. Steve is STILL responsible for the U23 team that played without registrations as he is the President of the league.
  - Serious Liability issues
  - Any board members from Metropolitan Soccer League will recuse themselves from any decisions

- Fines Imposed: \$500/team. ROUGHLY 23 player's passes @ \$21.00 per player's pass = \$500 per team x 3 = \$1500 for Metropolitan League. Fines do NOT specifically correlate to number of registrations not completed.
- Motion to send letter (Chester); 2<sup>nd</sup> motion (Rolando); abstains from vote (Renata)
- Illinois Not-for-Profit | Annual Report – Goran filed electronically; six (6) officers; renewal status still pending
- CLASA | multiple divisions
- Mid-Year Meeting | October 11<sup>th</sup> – Claudio, Debbi, Ninos, Bob (SRA), Gregory (NSL)
- United States vs. Mexico - \$90-\$100 per ticket @ Pasadena
- Motion to approve stipend to \$150 per person for both Claudio and Gregory; approve two (2) ticket purchases per person (Claudio and Gregory) as part of the Mid-Year Meeting (San Francisco, CA)

### **New Business**

#### **Old ISSA Office Rent Issue**

- Letter issued to ISSA (addressed to Claudio Frigo) on August 12, 2015 from Markoff Law LLC around a dispute related to the original rental lease at 2001 South Halsted Street from October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2013 – dispute under legal review
- ISSA must hire an attorney to represent ISSA with this claim; motion to have Andy represent ISSA; board motioned to reserve \$2000 for Andy's legal fees; initial fees capped at \$1000 (4.5 hours)
- ISSA office | player's passes – February/March 2016 (under review)
- Croatian Tournament – Ante thanks ISSA for donation – potential to host Waukegan Park District / Centennial Tournament (need to secure date for 2016)

### **Adjournment | 10:12pm**