

**MYS Board Meeting Minutes
December 22, 2009**

Present: Maureen Dalbec, Eric Reed, Jane Scott Jones, Dean Cretsinger, Mike Slavik, Rich Maresco, Ray Crawford, Jose Ochoa, Eileen Hopkins

Guests: MPS Technical Director Clyde Watson, MPS Coaches Bill Delaney, Mike Nagelin, Jaon Ahmad

Absent: Amy Lekstutis, Yvonne Zhou

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by Maureen Dalbec, MYS Chairman.

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion to approve the Minutes of the MYS Board Meeting on November 28, 2009, was made and seconded.

Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Eric Reed, Treasurer

- **Monthly Report**
 - Monthly Update and MYS Board Financial Information were distributed to the Board for their review in advance.
 - Eric reviewed with the Board the contracts currently up for renewal as well as those up for renewal in the 1st quarter of 2010.
- **McLean Youth Athletics**
 - The Board discussed the club's membership in MYA.

Field Development Initiative: Rich Maresco, Committee Chair

- **McLean Area Turf Proposal**
 - Rich Maresco presented a McLean Area Turf Proposal to the Board.

MOTION: Rich Maresco made a motion that "The Board authorizes the officers of MYS to send a letter of intent to MYA concerning future turf field development substantially consistent with Rich Maresco's "Turf Field Proposal" document and the Board's discussion of the topic here tonight." The motion was seconded.

After discussion, the motion was approved by a majority of the members present.

Travel Report: Dean Cretsinger, Assistant Travel Director

- **Academy Raffle**
 - Due to the snowstorm over the weekend, the raffle has been postponed to Sunday, January 10th, which is the first day of Winter Ballmasters Session #2.

- **Application to Elite Clubs National League**

- Clyde and Rich are working on the club's application to the ECNL; deadline is January 15.
- MYS would field two teams (Girls 15-18) at the U16, U17 & U18 age group.
- If accepted, MYS teams would play in the league starting Fall 2010.
- Goal of ECNL and reason for MYS to join is to provide:
 - An organized league for our top Girls teams to play other top teams on the East Coast and participate in showcase events.
 - Develop a network of teams for increased exposure to scouting at the National team and Collegiate level.
- Cost to participate is \$750 per team year.

MOTION: That the Board approve the submission of MYS' application to ECNL. Rich and Dean will present to the Board for approval a budget for the teams' participation in the ECNL for this fall.

Motion was seconded and after BOD discussion, Motion was approved.

- **Proposed Field Changes for MPS 8:30 to 10 PM Time Slots:**

- We are looking to modify the use of the Wednesday night MPS training time to accommodate and support the Academy with an eye to the future of integrating the ECNL. The proposal is to reserve the Wednesday 8:30 – 10:00 pm time slot for either the ECNL or Academy teams depending upon who has a game on the following Saturday. Those teams that do not have a game on Saturday will practice at the Friday night time slot of 8:30 – 10:00 pm (either the ECNL or Academy team that does not play on Saturday).
- This is a method to get the Academy and ECNL on program status for the club. This gets us the needed late time slots (8:30-10 Wed & Fri) and special field allocation requirements (two teams only per time slot) needed to fulfill their needs.
- Melissa and Maureen will work with the Fields Committee in revising the status of the Academy and the ECNL when finalized to Program status.

- **U8 Age Group Training Modifications**

- Review by Clyde, Trevor and Bill Delaney is ongoing.
- They expect to formulate a plan in the next couple of months based on the Technical Staff's putting forth there is a need.
- Target Areas:
 - Structure
 - Fees
 - Impact on Fields
 - Jane Scott Jones, Rec Commissioner, will be included in the meeting.

- **New applications to join MYS for the Fall of 2010**

- Three teams have submitted applications and at this time, there are no recommendations being made to the Board.

- **Travel & MPS Travel Coaches Survey**

- In development for Spring of 2010

- **Explosive Performance**

- New contract to be received by February Board Meeting.

New Business

- **County Survey: Eric Reed Treasurer**
 - Eric received this and responded.
- **TSL Training: Jose Ochoa, Director of Sportsmanship**
 - Suggestion had been made to offer scrimmages or free play as their parents were attending TSL Training.
 - Training would have to be held outdoors.
 - Clyde said he would discuss with Trevor.
- **Fall 2009 All Star Incident – U8 Assistant Coach**
 - Jose Ochoa, MYS Director of Sportsmanship, spoke to the Assistant Coach involved and also suggested that a MPS/Travel Coach mentor him.
- **NCSL: Maureen Dalbec, NCSL Rep**
 - Two players took a disciplinary sanction after a disagreement with a referee.
- **Academy Update: Amy Lekstutis, Academy Administrator**
 - Moderate success in Phoenix
 - U17 player – Peter Landis has been invited to take part in the U17 US National team development pool.
- **VYSA – Convention**
 - Dates are January 22 & 23 in Crystal City, Arlington
- **Nominating Committee Chair: Maureen Dalbec**
 - Looking for non-Board volunteers for the Committee
 - Please let her know if you know of any interested parents.
- **Coaches Gear: Maureen Dalbec**
 - May be in at PJs.
- **Fall 2009 All Star Recap: Jane Scott Jones, Recreation Commissioner**
 - **Tournament**
 - MYS had 9 girls and 12 boys teams participate in the Herndon November All Star tournament (total of 765 players). No standings are kept for the U8s, who play 7 mini games; U9+ play a round-robin format on the 1st day and single-elimination finals on the 2nd day, which means every team plays at least 4 games.
 - **Summary**
 - On the boys side, there was a U9 semi-finalist, and a U10 and U14 team made the Championship, both taking 2nd place. Both U12 girls' teams took their Division Championship; the U15 and U19 teams took 2nd in their championship games. The other 9 U9+ teams lost in the first round on the 2nd day.
- **Sweeper: Mike Slavik, Director of Communications**
 - Mike is accepting articles and hopes to have the Sweeper ready by the end of December or the first week in January.

- **MYS SFL Coach – Champion of Character Award**
 - Mario Guillen, a longtime coach in MYS, has been awarded the Champion of Character award by FCPA.
 - The Board would like to recognize him for this honor and for his many contributions to the club.

Meeting was adjourned by MYS Chair, Maureen Dalbec at 9:50 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Eileen Hopkins, MYS Administrator.