



**AYSO National Board of Directors Meeting  
Business Session via Webinar  
February 1, 2019 3pm  
ADOPTED MINUTES**

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**National Board of Director (NBOD) Members**

Present: Matt Winegar (President), Dan Howald (Vice President), Maurice Miranda (Vice President), Eileen Tabert (Vice President), Michael Karon (Treasurer), Donna Nelson (Secretary), Yvette Barrett, Margie Close, John Collins, Cathy Farless, Randy Pittman, Doug Ryan

**Section Directors (SDs)**

Present: Frances Stronks, Mike Morrissey, Mark Schmalz, Michael Mays, Jeff Ransom, Rick Buiteweg, Kris Graff, Rich Pagliarli, Audrey Castreje, Tom Simons, Bob Lasagna, Michael Hartley

Absent: Clyde Asato

**National Office Staff**

Present: Scott Gimple (Senior Director of Finance & Operations), Mike Hoyer (National Executive Director, Yvonne Lara (Director of Marketing & Communications), Patty Mallan (Executive Administrative Specialist), Annette Nastro (Controller), Al Prado (Sr. Business Solutions Analyst), Scott Snyder (Director of Programs & Education)

**Other**

Present: Jan Buddingh (Chair, Legal Commission)

**Call to Order**

*The meeting of the American Youth Soccer Organization (“AYSO”) National Board of Directors (“NBOD” or “Board”) was called to order by National President Matt Winegar at 3:10 pm PST on Friday, February 1, 2019.*

**I. Approval of Minutes**

- NBOD Business Session November 9-10<sup>i</sup> & NBOD Special Session December 12, 2018 Minutes<sup>ii</sup> were approved by unanimous consent.

**II. Action Items**

- a. **National Policy Statement 2.12<sup>iii</sup>:** Mike Hoyer presents the Motion to update and clarify the AYSO code of conduct. **MOTION DEFERRED**
  - Jan Buddingh said the language needs to be cleaned up, and asked the motion be deferred until the March NBOD call.
  - **ACTION ITEM:** Mike Hoyer asked all comments be directed to Jan Buddingh and Jill Meshekow so a new version can be put up for discussion at the March NBOD meeting.
- b. **Bylaw Amendment, Term Limits<sup>iv</sup>:** Matt Winegar presents the Motion to rescind the previous bylaw amendment for term limits to Section Directors & NBOD and that the Board present a proposal at the 2019 NAGM that will offer two separate items: one item for term limits on the NBOD and another for term limits on the Section Directors.
  - Inaccuracies in the bylaws & March 2018 NBOD minutes were discussed

- Matt Winegar motions to rescind term limits for Section Directors, Doug Ryan seconded: 9 in favor, 3 opposed (Maurice Miranda, Michael Karon, John Collins) **MOTION CARRIES**
- Matt Winegar motions to reverse the language removing term limits for the National Board of Directors, Margie Close seconds. 7 in favor; 5 opposed. Motion does not carry because 2/3 of the board did not approve. **MOTION DOES NOT CARRY**. Term Limits stand for the National Board of Directors.
  - i. **ACTION ITEM:** Jan Buddingh asked for the inaccurate language that was not voted on to be taken out of the bylaws. Patty Mallan will work with Jan Buddingh to take out incorrect language.
- c. **National Rules & Regulations: 8U<sup>v</sup>:** Yvette Barrett presents the motion to change the rules for 8U divisions so they have the option to play 5v5.
  - It was clarified that this option would not be available for 7U only divisions or 7/8U divisions.
  - There was a discussion about how allowing this option would affect our compliance with US Soccer.
  - Some urged for this option to become available for the sake of player growth and to remain competitive against other clubs.
  - Yvette makes the motion; Doug Ryan seconds. 10 in favor, 2 abstentions (John Collins recused, Randy Pittman abstained) **MOTION CARRIES**
    - i. **ACTION ITEM:** Jan Buddingh will help clean up the language for adding this option into the Rules & Regulations.
- d. **Regional Standards of Operations, 6.G.3<sup>vi</sup>:** Randy Pittman presents the motion to allow a new option for the volunteer membership process, specifically local payment.
  - Allow regions to provide coupons to individuals whom they want to volunteer, allowing the region more control on who applies for volunteer membership.
  - After some discussion, it was clarified that this addition to the standards is only to serve a technical purpose and to allow another piece of functionality that is now explicitly prohibited in AYSO governance.
  - It was mentioned that the first line of the regulation will need to be discussed in the future.
  - Randy Pittman makes the motion; Michael Karon seconds. 11 in favor, 0 opposed (John Collins absent) **MOTION CARRIES**
- e. **AYSO United Standards<sup>vii</sup>:** Yvette presents the motion to clean up the language regarding the United tier system.
  - Current United programs who do not want to move to tier 1 or tier 2 will be grandfathered in; it was clarified that no one will be left out due to this change.
  - Yvette makes the motion; Randy Pittman seconds. 12 approve (unanimous consent). **MOTION CARRIES**

*\*\*\*Due to time constraints, National President Matthew Winegar re-prioritized agenda.*

### III. Discussion Items

- **Budget**
  - **ACTION ITEM:** Michael Karon & Scott Gimple will have a draft budget to share to the Board by the March meeting for input, so that a budget can be voted on at the April meeting. Michael K asked to invite the Section Directors to that portion of the March Meeting Executive Session.

- **Volunteer Membership Program (VMP)**
  - Randy Pittman explains that the rollout date is March 6 and there are 8-9 webinars scheduled to message out and seek feedback to help with a simple rollout and successful implementation.
  - Webinar information has been made available to all executive members (Insider, on website, and through VMP specific email communications) and will be sent again.
  - Randy explained that staff are not receiving responses back from the RC's to discuss the Wells Fargo Card.
    - **ACTION ITEM:** Scott Gimple asked the Section Directors to please let the RC's know to reach out to the staff and return calls to discuss the Wells Fargo Card.
- **Nominating Commission<sup>viii</sup>**
  - Yvette Barrett motions to accept the Nominating Commission's recommendation concerning candidates for the NBOD; Randy Pittman seconds. 8 in favor, 4 abstentions (current incumbents up for re-election; Matthew Winegar, Eileen Tabert, Michael Karon, Margie Close) 0 oppose. **MOTION CARRIES**
- **Success Audit**
  - Michael Karon explains that currently, they are revising the scope to narrow down exactly what the end to end transactions flows are in BSB and to the back-end financial systems, which will take around 8 weeks. A final recommendation, cost, and schedule will hopefully be available for the NBOD meeting in June.
- **National Office Name**
  - Dan Howald surveyed the staff and Section Directors, and will have a report ready for consideration at the March meeting.
- **National Executive Director Report<sup>ix</sup>**
  - Mike Hoyer explained they are in the middle of insurance renewal, but foresee low to no increase in cost.

#### IV. Other Items

- **ACTION ITEM:** Matt Winegar asked Patty Mallan to poll the NBOD for a date and time for the March NBOD Executive Session.
- Matt Winegar announced that the April NBOD Meeting will be in person at the National Office and would like to spend an entire morning or afternoon for each liaison and chair of key task forces to provide updates.
- Randy motions to adjourn the meeting; John Collins seconds. Approved by unanimous consent.

*President Matt Winegar adjourned the National Board of Directors meeting at 5:10pm PT.*

## **LIST OF ACTION ITEMS**

- Mike Hoyer asked all comments on Policy 2.12 be directed to Jan Buddingh and Jill Meshekow so a new version can be put up for discussion at the March NBOD meeting.
- Jan Buddingh asked for the inaccurate term limit language be taken out of the bylaws. Patty Mallan will take out the language.
- Jan Buddingh will help revise the National Rules & Regulations to allow the option for 8U to play 5v5.
- Michael Karon & Scott Gimple will have a draft budget to share to the Board by the March meeting for input in order to have a final budget available at the April meeting for a vote. Michael Karon asked to invite the Section Directors to the budget discussion portion of the March Meeting Executive Session.
- Scott Gimple asked the Section Directors to please let the RC's know to reach out to the staff and return calls to discuss the Wells Fargo Commercial Card Option.
- Matt Winegar asked Patty Mallan to poll the Board for a date and time for the March NBOD meeting through webinar.

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## **Documents Referenced Available in Directorpoint**

- <sup>i</sup> NBOD Minutes, November 9-10, 2018
- <sup>ii</sup> NBOD Special Session Minutes, December 12, 2018
- <sup>iii</sup> Motion – Policy Statement 2.12
- <sup>iv</sup> Motion – Bylaw Amendment: Term Limits
- <sup>v</sup> Motion – National Rules & Regulations: 8U
- <sup>vi</sup> Motion – Amendment to Standard Policies & Protocols: 6.G.3
- <sup>vii</sup> Motion – AYSO United Standard Policies Revision
- <sup>viii</sup> NC 2018-19 Report to the NBOD
- <sup>ix</sup> National Executive Director Report Feb 2019