

Florida Youth Soccer Association Board of Directors Meeting

Date: 3/28/24

Meeting – VIA Zoom

Roll-Call:

A		Kai Velmer - President	X		Dave DiTillio – RVP-C			VACANT - RCDW
X		Daragh Cullen – VP Player & Co Coach Development	X		Louis Richard – RVP-D			
X		Becky McLaren - Secretary	X		Russell Walker - RCAN			
X		Justin Goldman - Treasurer	A		Lance Lass - RCAS			
A		Mike Hyatt – VP Admin & Comm.	X		Hugo Arce - RCBN			
X		Olaf Henke – VP Competition	X		Moncef Hadiji -RCBS			
X		Alice Smith - Registrar	A		John Withkowski - RCCN			
A		Marino Torrens – RVP-A	X		Ed Kinsey - RCCS			
X		Cris Whittaker – RVP- B	A		Terry Straub - RCDE			

X = in attendance, A = Absence,
C = Called in for an in-person meeting, * = left meeting early

- **Guests:** Joel Dragan, Executive Director, Mike Strickler, DOC, Tom Tianch, RCAS, Jason Kopakin, SRA, John Bauman, SYRA, Jenn Dittillio, TOPS
- **Ad Hoc:**
- **Minutes taken by:** *Becky McLaren*
- **Do we have Quorum:** Yes
- **Action Items are in red and should be reviewed at the end of the meeting**
- Motions and resulting votes are ***bolded italics and underlined.***

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order 7:14pm

Roll Call: Roll was taken by Becky McLaren

Adopt Agenda:

It was moved to adopt the agenda as presented on screen.

Cris – moved
Olaf – seconded
Motion Carries

Recognize Guests – none other than noted.

Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was moved to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2024 meeting.

Cris – moved
Russell – seconded
Motion Carries

Correspondence – None

President’s Report:

Secretary’s Report: None at this time

Treasurer’s Report:

Additional Reports:

VP Player/Coach Development: No report

VP Admin & Comm:

VP Competition:

Registrar:

Regional VP Reports:

Region A:

Region B:

Region C:

Region D:

Director of Coaching Report: In dropbox

Executive Director/Staff Report: In dropbox –

Standing Committees Report:

FSR:

TOPSoccer: Report in dropbox and was emailed out today. March 21 she attended the boat show in Palm Beach where she saw the boat that has been donated to FYSA. Big push will be coming but with only boat show we already have \$2500.00. Four coaching courses will be across the state first one in Jacksonville on May 18.

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

New Member Affiliate Applications

Region A

RVP for the region has asked that the region A requests be tabled until the April 19th meeting.

It has been moved and seconded to table until April 19th meeting.

Russell – moved

Cris – seconded

Motion Carries

Region C

JBLT Soccer Inc. DBA Florida Tropics Academy

It has been moved to table this until April 19th.

Olaf – moved

Cris – seconded

Motion Carries

DME Sarasota LLC –

It has been moved to approve DME Sarasota LLC.

Dave – moved
Cris – seconded
Motion Fails

It has been moved to table this until April 19

Dave – moved
Cris – seconded.
Motion Carries

FUTSAL Sanctioning - Ed Kinsey

It has been moved and seconded to formally announce that we will cover Futsal whether indoors or outdoors.

Ed – Moved
Dave – Seconded
Motion Carries

FDLE Level Two Background Checks

End of 2023 – an amendment was made to Florida Statue that we have always adhered to – the amendment would now require us to an FDLE level two background check. Got rid of 20 hour minimum requirement. All adult volunteers are going to have to do this. We don't even really know when it will apply. How frequently we have to do this? Cost is a factor. How will we do this? We will be working on this. We are still missing the implementation date of this as it is not clear.

2024/205 Tryout Date

It has been moved and seconded to modify 401.6 the last sentence.

The statewide try-out date shall be no earlier than the first day in May, nor later than the Tuesday following Memorial Day.

Cris – moved
Becky – seconded.
Motion Carries

Grant Funding

List of clubs and amounts can be found in the drop box. \$54,999.99 was granted.

For The Good of the Game

Darah – Thank you to Olaf for helping with scheduling of games this past weekend.
Russell – Thank Royal Palm Beach for inviting him to their finals and parent meeting and he was spot on. Good job.
Louis – Shoot out to Melissa and Ben and ASG for hosting commissioners cup.
Ed – Ed has asked Jason to create parent referee test.
Justin – Thank everyone – one year tomorrow since my heart attack – happy to be back with you all next weekend.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn at 9:07pm

Moncef – moved

Louis – seconded

Motion Carries



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A: 2828 Lake Myrtle Park Road,
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T: 863-268-8220

Date: March 27, 2024

Position: TOPSoccer Committee Chair

Name: Jennifer DiTillio

To: BOD

Activities since last REPORT:

TOPSoccer attended West Palm Beach International Boat Show 3/21 – visited with companies and individuals who have donated to the TOPSoccer Auction

The FYSA TOPSoccer Raffle opened – combined amount already collected is \$2230.00
A 9 foot skiff boat was donated to FYSA from Reef Runner along with a 6hp Mercury Motor and a trailer to be auctioned off with funds to benefit FYSA and TOPSoccer Raffle will remain open until

Adaptive E-store launch with Score Sports

Assist the Rowdies with Saturday Superstar – Spotlight on TOPSoccer Athletes

Ordered TOPSoccer equipment for existing club grants

Received the USYS TOPSoccer Grant for \$1500 which purchased table cloths and a 10X10 tent branded for TOPSoccer

Tasks I plan to complete prior to next meeting:

Setup 4 Coaching/Buddy training sessions across the state - 7/20 @ the state office and 8/2 @ the AGM

Plan TOPSoccer Night at the Rowdies – set for August 24th

Set a schedule for TOPSoccer Committee meetings

Attend a TOPSoccer Coaching workshop in Colorado to assist with planning continuing education courses for coaches/admins

Tasks I am working on and current status:

Working with Marketing on a TOPSoccer Corner in the Newsletter and updates to the club Finder

Sponsorship and Presenter at the Spastic Paraplegia Foundation Annual Conference in Tampa June 21 – 23 (<https://sp-foundation.org>)

TOPSoccer AGM Booth and Activities – working on with Chris Waugh



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Working with Becky and Chris to Kick off of the Raffle and Silent Auction – donations are coming in

Reviewing Registration numbers and clubs

Early discussions with Orlando City on a TOPSoccer Event

Rowdies TOPSoccer Event in December

Working to find dates and locations to hold TOPSoccer Community Events across the state

Discussion/Action Required at the Meeting:

RVP and RC to help identify new TOPSoccer Programs or clubs interested in starting a new TOPSoccer Program

Looking for BOD members who want to help and become trained buddies

Please reach out



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