

**MYSA Annual General Meeting
February 13, 2010
Sheraton Four Points - Leominster, MA**

The meeting was called to order by Skip Gorman, president of Mass Youth Soccer, at 10:25 AM. There were 102 delegates present, representing 349 votes. A quorum was determined to be present to conduct business. Skip made welcoming remarks and asked for a moment of silence for John Burrill, former executive director, who passed away last March. Skip then asked for a credential report. The total membership represents 838 votes, with 450 member organizations, leagues and board members. There were 102 delegates present in the room, representing 349 votes. A majority vote requires 175 votes.

Approval of last year's minutes

Nancy Hart moved, seconded by Terri Filippetti, that we approve the minutes from the February 2009 AGM. The minutes were approved by a voice vote

Reports of Officers & SYRA

Skip Gorman stated the reports were contained in the booklets handed out at the registration table and in the interest of time was not going to ask the program managers to read them at the meeting.

Financial Report

Carl Goldstein reviewed the financial report for fiscal 2008/2009. There were no questions from the floor. Carl then reviewed the budget for 2009/2010. The budget is balanced. There are no reserves in the budget. The challenge is to control spending to remain within the budget. The budget anticipates a 1% decline in registrations. The budget was not completed until November. It is usually completed in July or August. The Audit report is not ready as yet because the budget was not approved until November, 2009.

Regarding Real Estate taxes, we are going to land court in March to appeal the tax as a non-profit corporation.

There were no questions from the floor. **Nancy Hart moved, seconded by Sid Bloom to approve the report of the budget.** Motion passed on a voice vote.

Skip Gorman then recognized the board members and league presidents who were present at the meeting.

Skip then recognized our new executive director, Don Rawson for some remarks.

Don welcomed the attendees and commented this was a much larger attendance than anticipated which required producing additional ballots for the delegates.

Don thanked the staff for all of their efforts during the transition period.

We will choose a new database management system by the end of February. Member organizations will not have to make any vendor changes, but we need a better system in house. We will also have a new web site host by May.

Don also polled the audience regarding their preference for an AGM alone or one accompanied by workshops and/or a banquet. There was little interest expressed by the audience.

Election of officers –

Skip Gorman turned the meeting over to Mike Borislow, chairman of the nominating committee, who presented the slate:

The following are the uncontested positions:

Director of Outreach Programs (three year term) – Ray Robinson

Director at large District 2 (three year term) – Dana Santilli

Director at large District 6 (three year term) – Andy Page

Executive Vice President (one year term) – Terri Filippetti

Sid Bloom moved, seconded by Nancy Hart, for the secretary to cast one ballot for the uncontested candidates. Motion passed on a voice vote.

The contested contests are for three year terms for Secretary, District 4 Director and President. Majority vote required for election.

At this point, a revised credential report was presented. There were now 184 members present representing 367 votes. A majority will be 184 votes.

Candidates for Secretary spoke:

Kenneth Kobus from Marlboro

Stephen Smoller – incumbent

Ballots were cast and taken to be counted

Candidates for District 4 director spoke:

David Dalrymple – incumbent

David Vigeant from Lowell

Debbie Ryan from Westford was not present, but had a statement read by Mike Borislow in her absence.

Ballots were cast and taken to be counted.

Candidates for President spoke

Ted Ritchie from Newton, presently district 3 director

Skip Gorman – incumbent

Ballots were cast and taken to be counted.

Agenda was resumed pending announcement of contested elections

Changes to the Constitution and By-Laws

There were no proposed changes to either the constitution or bylaws.

The nominating committee announced that Stephen Smoller was re-elected as secretary.

The nominating committee announced that David Dalrymple was re-elected district 4 director.

New Business

Announcements were made regarding the recipients of the Girls Competitive Coach of the year, Girls Recreational Coach of the Year, Administrator of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, Buddy of the Year, and the Young Referees (male and female) of the year. All of these positions are posted on the website.

The nominating committee announced that Ted Ritchie was elected president.

Good of the Game

Sid Bloom announced that at the recent board of director meeting, the board voted to name the Boys' U-19 State Cup after Rich Filippetti. Rich received an extended standing ovation from the membership.

Ray Robinson announced there will be a Region 1 sponsored TOPS symposium at the Sheraton Four Points in Norwood March 19-21. At this symposium, a coaches course for TOPS coaches will be presented.

Don Rawson announced that copies of the US Youth Soccer pocket guide for coaches and players are available at rear of room as well as guidebooks for non-profit boards.

Sid Bloom announced that US Youth Soccer has a grant program for recreational programs, offering in kind services. Information on the grants is available on the website.

Sid Bloom moved, seconded by Levon Akoghlanian (Medfield), that we destroy all of the ballots. Motion carried by voice vote.

Ted Ritchie made some brief remarks, and thanked Skip Gorman for his service and leadership.

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Smoller, Executive Secretary