

**MINUTES
NINTH ANNUAL MEETING
of the
UNITED STATES AMATEUR SOCCER ASSOCIATION**

Orlando, Florida

August 4, 1990

Chairman Milton Aimi opened the ninth Annual General Meeting of the United States Amateur Soccer Association at 1:15 PM, August 4, 1990.

CREDENTIALS REPORT - ROLL CALL

Dick Burns, Chairman of the Credentials Committee reported the following National State Associations: "Not in Good Standing": Iowa, West Virginia (provisional member) and Wyoming (provisional member).

The following National State Associations, not having the required minimum number of teams affiliated were not able to vote: Mississippi and New Hampshire (provisional member).

The following National State Associations were not represented: Arkansas, Iowa, Mississippi, Montana, Oregon, and Wyoming.

The total eligible votes were: 114; total votes present were: 110.

MINUTE OF SILENCE

The Chairman requested the delegates to observe a minute of silence for the late Director George F. Donnelly

Later in the meeting Howard Rubenstein conveyed the thanks of the Donnelly family for all the expressions of sympathy received.

REMARKS BY MAVIS DERFLINGER

Chairman Aimi introduced Mavis Derflinger, the former Chairperson of the U.S.Y.S.A., who addressed the meeting, expressing her thanks to Milton Aimi for his cooperation both in the USSF Executive Committee, as well as the NBOD, and remarking that he represented the interests of the Amateur Division well in these meetings.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the eighth Annual General Meeting of August 12, 1989 in Colorado Springs, Colorado were adopted as distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Administrator reported: no communications were received pertaining to this meeting.

REPORTS

The reports of officers and committees were mailed to all National State Associations prior to the meeting, the Chairman asked each Director and Committee Chairman to add a few words, if he/she wished to do so.

All reports were accepted by the delegates as distributed.

REMARKS BY BURTON HAIMES

Chairman Aimi introduced Burton Haimes of the A.Y.S.O., who took the opportunity to greet the delegates and pledged his cooperation and support in any of the programs of the Federation and the Amateur Division.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The financial report for the 1988/89 fiscal year, as audited by the outside auditing firm of Jacobs, Siegel & Co., was mailed to all National State Association in December 1989; the delegates accepted the report as distributed.

Al Ober of Massachusetts asked Director Roger Parker what his plans are for the computerization of the player registrations. Roger Parker reported that he has worked out the errors in the program; he is presently producing 100 disks and a manual, and will have copies available within the next few days for those who want advance copies, in the beginning of September copies will be send to all states

REMARKS BY PRESIDENT WERNER FRICKER

President Fricker addressed the delegates; he first expressed his thanks to Milton Aimi and the Executive Committee of the U.S.A.S.A. for their cooperation in the work of the Federation. He gave the membership a short report on the activities he had delegated to Milton Aimi on Federation programs and projects.

He then outlined an amateur development plan for the future both for the Amateur Division and the Federation.

He recommends the appointment of an "Amateur Development Committee" (the committee should have at least two people from each region) to be funded by the Federation to work in six specific areas:

1. Player Development (youth into amateur soccer)
2. Select Team (U-23) Program
3. Club System Development (from youth through seniors)
4. National Cup Improvements (including professionals)
5. Regional League Upgrading
6. Professional Soccer

AWARDS TO COMMITTEES

Chairman Aimi expressed the gratitude of the Division to the Division Committee members. All were given a plaque recognizing their contribution this past year. Each Committee Chairman in turn introduced their members and presented the award.

NATIONAL CUP COMPETITIONS

The Chairman of the Cup Committee Ron D'Anjolell expressed his thanks to the Eastern Pennsylvania Soccer Association, the Indiana Soccer Association and the Texas Soccer Association South for their help and support in hosting the national finals.

He also reported the names of the winners in the five competitions:

U.S. Open:	A.A.C. Eagles, Illinois
Men's Amateur:	HRC St. Petersburg Kickers, Florida
Women's Amateur:	Opus County S.C., Massachusetts
Men's Over-30:	Dirty Dozen, California-South
Women's Over-30:	White Stars, Missouri

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS AND RULES

Many Ann Ferretti, Chairman of the Rules Committee took the chair to present the rule change proposals and the recommendations of the Rules Committee.

The following rule changes were adopted by the council:

RULE 5.2.1 - 2601 MEMBERSHIP

par. 1 - Membership

new subparagraph 8 - Regional Amateur Leagues

1. An interstate league in a Region having a minimum of six (6) clubs in at least three (3) National State Associations.
2. The regional Amateur League shall have one (1) vote on the Regional Council.
3. The Regional Amateur Leagues shall be divided into the following classifications:

Class 'A': Leagues operating in three or more Regions.

Class 'B': Leagues operating in two Regions.

Class 'C': Leagues operating in one Region.

RULE 5.2.1. - 2601

par. 2 Members Qualifications and Duties

Each national amateur state association and other members shall retain its own autonomy, but will adhere to the Bylaws and Rules of this Division, National Council and Regional Councils in all matters, as well as those pertaining to interstate, regional, national and international competition, or in other competitions sponsored by the Division.

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RULE 5.2.1 - 2601 MEMBERSHIP

par. 4 Member Dues

add a new paragraph at the end of the above paragraph # 4

Regional Amateur League fees shall be set from time to time by the National Amateur Division Council (see Chapter 8 Fees). Such accumulated fees must be paid to the Region 30 days prior to the first league game.

RULE 5.2.10 - 2610 PROTEST, APPEALS AND FEES

par. 1 The line of Authority for a protest or an appeal shall be:

Amateur State Association / Regional League

RULE 5.2.11 - 2611, par. 3 AMENDMENTS - Advance Notice

Any proposal or motion to amend the Bylaws and Rules of this Division must be made, in writing, to the Secretary ninety (90) days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
Any proposal

RULES - CUPS

In all cup rules where the word coordinator(s) is used, the name to be changed to commissioner(s).

RULE 5.3.6 - 2706 FORM OF COMPETITION

Providing that the state championships are completed no later than the scheduled dead-line, state cup commissioners may organize intra-state competitions in a fashion preferred by the respective state association.

All inter-state competitions shall be conducted as a knockout (single elimination) competition.

RULE 5.3.17 - 2717 PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

par. 1 General

(third paragraph)

No player(s) may be registered for any competing team after the Regional Final. The Regional Cup Commissioner shall have the power to investigate and determine the qualification of any player.

(fourth paragraph)

The State Cup Commissioner is responsible to have teams forward to the Regional Cup Commissioner no later than seven (7) days after the regional final a list of maximum eighteen (18) eligible players for all regional winners.

RULE 5.3.24 - 2724 PROTEST

Any protest concerning a game played in an Intrastate round shall be referred to the State Cup Commissioner. He/she shall determine the protest and his/her decision shall be final. Any protest concerning a game in an Intrastate round shall be

CHAPTER 8

8.1 FESS AND BONDS

8.1.1 - 4001 MEMBERSHIP DUES - AFFILIATION FEES - BONDS

par. 3 National State Association - Amateur

new subparagraphs

3. Annual Dues - Regional Amateur Leagues

Class 'A'	\$ 2,500.00
Class 'B'	\$ 2,000.00
Class 'C'	\$ 1,500.00

League fees to be paid to the Region with which the League is affiliated, which must be the Region where the League is domiciled.

4. Annual Dues - Regional League Teams

Per regional team \$ 200.00

Team fees to be paid to the Region, where the team is domiciled, with \$ 100.00 to be returned to the team's National State Association.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Committee Chairman Foster Perry took the chair to present the 1990/91 proposed budget. Since the proposed increases in cup fees was not adopted during the rule change proposals, the budget had to be reduced by 30,000.00 on the income side. It also required to make changes on the expense side; line item E6.4, E6.5 and E10.2 were moved down to unfunded programs.

Foster Perry mentioned that the item E10.2 (club concept committee) can be returned to a budgeted item through a budget amendment, since it does not represent a large amount (\$ 1,500.00). With these changes the budget was approved as presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Milton Aimi adjourned the ninth Annual General Meeting of the United States Amateur Soccer Association at 5:30 PM.