



MINUTES
TENTH ANNUAL MEETING
of the
UNITED STATES AMATEUR SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Detroit, Michigan

August 3, 1991

Chairman Milton Aimi opened the tenth Annual General Meeting of the United States Amateur Soccer Association at 10:45 AM, August 3, 1991.

CREDENTIALS REPORT - ROLL CALL

Dick Burns, Chairman of the Credentials Committee reported the following National State Associations: "Not in Good Standing": North Dakota 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 Iowa.

The following National State Associations were not represented: Hawaii, Iowa, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming.

The total eligible votes were: 116; total votes present were: 113.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the ninth Annual General Meeting of August 4, 1990 in Orlando, Florida were adopted as distributed.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Chairman Milton Aimi asked Federation Executive Vice-President Hank des Bordes to conduct the election.

Mr. des Bordes asked the Credentials Committee to be seated at the Podium to assist with the election. He then asked for nominations for the office of Chairman of the Division.

Alastair Bell of Connecticut placed in nomination the name of Milton Aimi.

Jim Hamilton of Washington placed the name of Roger Parker into nomination.

Julie Ilacqua of Michigan nominated Gianfranco Borroni.

Frank Rojas of California-South seconded the nomination of Director Roger Parker.

Each candidate made a short statement.

At the conclusion of the first ballot, no candidate received the required number of votes for election (Borroni 43, Parker 37 and Aimi 33).

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN (cont.)

The second ballot again showed no candidate received the required amount (Borrioni 53, Parker 36, Aimi 23, one blank ballot). Milton Aimi withdrew his name and recommended support for Roger Parker.

On the third ballot Gianfranco Borrioni was elected Chairman (with a vote count of 62, Roger Parker 51).

Milton Aimi took the chair again. He gave the floor to Gianfranco Borrioni for some remarks; the council recessed for lunch, and Chairman Aimi re-convened the meeting at 1:30 PM, to continue with the regular agenda.

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, most gave some additional information.

All reports were accepted by the delegates as distributed.

AWARDS TO COMMITTEES

Administrator Fritz Marth introduced the respective committee chairmen, who presented their committee members with a token of appreciation for the work done during the past year. Later in the meeting a similar gift was presented to our legal counsel Steve Flamhaft.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The financial report for the 1989/90 fiscal year, as audited by the outside auditing firm of Jacobs, Siegel & Co., was mailed to all National State Associations in November 1990; the delegates accepted the report as distributed.

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS AND RULES

Helmut Von Oetinger, 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 MEMBERSHIP

par. 2 - sub-par. 3, Member duties to retain good standing

The opening sentence "Either duties outlined in Rule 2.1.3 Privileges and Duties of Membership or:" is deleted.

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS AND RULES (cont.)

Rule 5.2.1. MEMBERSHIP

par.2 - sub-par. 3, Member duties to retain good standing
new 5th paragraph:

Each National Amateur State Association shall ensure that all registered players are provided mandatory medical insurance, as available through the Division office.

Rule 5.2.1, par 3, sub-par. 3,1

Member duties to retain good standing

All clubs, leagues, associations and organizations affiliated with a national state association must register every soccer player and every team that is sponsored, financed, coached or administered by the club, league, association or organization.

Team membership within a national state association may be at one of two classification within that association.

PREMIER MEMBERS

The higher level of amateur competition:

Teams registered as premier members are eligible for national cup competitions and interstate travel.

Premier members must register every player with the U.S.A.S.A. in accordance with rule 3.2.6.

RECREATIONAL MEMBERS

The recreational level of amateur competition:

Teams registered as recreational members are not eligible for national cup competitions and interstate travel.

Recreational members must maintain and make available a roster of all their players.

All recreational teams must be comprised of players domiciled in the registering national state association.

The appropriate national state association will be responsible for establishing the procedures under which this will be implemented.

Rule 5.3.2. ELIGIBILITY

par. 1 General

A team, to be eligible to enter any of the competitions, must be a registered Premier Member team of an affiliated national state association, professional league, or equivalent organization.

Rule 5.3.9, par. 1 INTERSTATE GAMES

The gross gate receipts (after taxes) shall be divided equally between the teams.

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS AND RULES (cont.)

Rule 5.2.13 FORFEITS FOR FAILURE TO COMPETE IN INTERSTATE COMPETITION

Any team intending to forfeit a game must give written notice of its intention to do so to the delegate of the opposing team, with copies to the Regional Cup Commissioner, no less than seven (7) days before the date of the game. A team which forfeited a National Cup game may not enter any National Cup in the following year.

Rule 5.3.17, par. 1 GENERAL
(third paragraph)

The words "(State Finals)" is removed.

Rule 5.3.17, par. 3 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S OVER 30 CUPS

All players must be born 30 years prior to the date of any game they play in this competition. Players must provide proof of age, it must be submitted to the National State Association Registrar.

CHAPTER 8

8.1 FEES AND BONDS

8.1.1 - 4001 MEMBERSHIP DUES - AFFILIATION FEES - BONDS

par. 3 National State Association - Amateur

2. Annual Dues - per team - Premier Members \$ 20.00

3. Annual Dues - per team - Recreational Members \$ 60.00

(It was understood that with the change of the annual dues to \$ 20.00 and \$ 60.00, the annual liability insurance fee will be \$ 20.00 per team).

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Committee Chairman Foster Perry took the chair to present the 1991/92 proposed budget.

The proposed increase in cup fees was not adopted, which reduced the income side of the budget by \$ 30,000.00.

This effectively dropped the budget items E9.1 (Marketing) and E10.1 (Division Magazine) below the funding line.

The council adopted a motion to elevate the budget item E6.3 (National Select Tournament) to rank # 45, and lower line item E6.5 (Women's Tour) to rank # 48 and line item E6.4 (Men's Tour) to rank # 49; line item E9.1 (Marketing) became rank # 50 and line item E10.1 (Division Magazine) rank # 51.

With these changes the 1991/92 budget was adopted.

Frank Rojas, California-South, recommended that future meetings be "non-smoking" meetings.

NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

Director Wallace Watson asked the members to observe a moment of silence in memory of the long time Secretary of the Northwestern New York Soccer Association Peg Fowler, who past away during the past year.

A motion was made and adopted that future budget be based only on actual revenues and not on anticipated revenues from proposed fee increases.

The Gianfranco Borroni introduced Ingrid Saldibar of New Haven Travel, who distributed four air line tickets (through a raffle conducted) as complimentary gifts of New Haven Travel.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Gianfranco Borroni adjourned the tenth Annual General Meeting of the United States Amateur Soccer Association at 5:10 PM.