

MINUTES  
NINETEENTH ANNUAL MEETING  
of the  
UNITED STATES AMATEUR SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Atlanta, GA

July 21, 2001

Chairman Mike Edwards opened the nineteenth Annual General Meeting of the United States Amateur Soccer Association at 8:00 a.m., July 21, 2001.

CREDENTIAL REPORT - ROLL CALL

Ken Conselyea, Chairman of the Credentials Committee called the roll of the Officers, Regional Officers, State Associations and other members. It showed Delaware, Vermont, and Wyoming with no votes. Not present were Delaware, New Hampshire, Kansas, South Dakota, Alaska, Montana and Wyoming.

Regional Leagues present with one vote each: AYSO, LASA, USL, WPSL,

Total Votes Present: 160

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the nineteenth Annual Meeting were approved as distributed

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mike Edwards was nominated for Chairman, and elected by acclamation. June Stroup and Mario DePaolo were nominated for the position for Secretary. June Stroup was elected.

Werner Fricker, Jr. was elected by acclamation for the position of Member-At-Large in the Adult Council and on the USSF NBOD.

Brooks McCormick, Chairman of the Insurance Committee presented a check in the amount of \$40,707.00, dividends on our Insurance policy. Tim Busch, Chairman of the Veterans Committee reported that the Tournament was held in Beckley, West Virginia with 41 teams participating. The 2002 Tournament will again be held in Beckley.

Marypat Bell reported that the 2002 Mid-Year Meeting will be held in Tampa, Florida, February 22-24, 2002. And for our last Mid-Year Winter Meeting 2003 we are looking at San Diego, California.

Chairman Edwards made some additional remarks to supplement his report. Since the AGM will be moved to the January through March time period, we will have to give some thoughts on the dates of the Regional Meetings which usually emphasize the Cup schedule. He recommended that in the future we hold our Regional Meetings on a Thursday. The USASA and the USYSA on Friday and the National Council Meeting on Saturday.

He will make every effort to simplify the registration procedure, both for premier as well as recreational players.

At the present time the recreational player registration does not comply with Rule 6105 and we are not sure how many players we have within the USASA. We are having difficulty proving to the USSF that we have least 200,000 members.

### RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS

Robert L. McGee Jr., Chairman of the Rules Committee took the chair and presented bylaw changes. The following changes were adopted

1. Bylaw 213 (4):

(4) require that each member of the State Association, whether in one or more State Associations, National League, Regional League, or Affiliate register every soccer player.

2. Bylaw 402 Elections

Changing the word "may" to "shall" in Section 3 and 4.

3. Bylaw 421 Section 2

Adding a new Subsection 5 to provide for by adding a new Subsection (6) to provide for appointing Acting At-Large Commissioners if vacancies occur.

4. The Amendment to Section 2 of Bylaw 622 failed.

5. The proposed National Cup Policy Amendments proposed by the National Cup Committee were withdrawn after a debate. The proposals submitted by the Rules Committee at the request of the national cup committee were tabled upon a motion second at majority vote. The Council instructed the National Cup Committee and the Rules Committee to prepare and present a complete overhaul of the policies for the Mid-Year Meeting.

### 2001/2002 BUDGET

Larry Hall, Chairman of the Budget Committee presented the proposed budget. A motion was made to increase I-12 to \$74,000. E-41 will increase to \$20,000 and E-42 will increase to \$60,000. The budget as amended was adopted.

## NEW BUSINESS

Mike Edwards introduced Burton Hames, Chairman of AYSO. A new affiliated member of USASA. He outlined some of the plans by AYSO, probably some six pilot programs will start this year.

North Texas State Soccer Association asked that the USASA Executive Committee propose to the Federation NBOD that the registration fee for the Annual Meeting be reduced to \$25.00.

## ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Mike Edwards adjourned the Annual General Meeting of the United States Amateur Soccer Association at 11:30 a.m.