Women and Girls in Soccer

Executive Board Minutes

June 17, 2017

Falls Church, Virginia

Board Chair Lula Bauer called the meeting to order 2:15pm. Board members present: Sara Smith, Sally D'Italia, Patrick Lusk, Tom Gross and Kerry Diederich. Laurie Lane was excused

Board Chair Lula Bauer opened the Board meeting requesting a motion to approve the WAGS Board Minutes from March 25, 2017. The minutes were approved

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Pat Lusk briefed the Board on the finances of WAGS. A proposal to authorize the Board Chair to write checks for routine WAGS business was approved.

Old Business:

Tom Gross reported that VYSA would not grant a tournament sanctioning exemption to WAGS

Sally D'Italia gave an overview of past criterion used to award the Dolansky Scholarships

Lula Bauer reported that WAGS bought the domain name WAGSL.com

Pat Lusk and Lula Bauer led a discussion on the various bank accounts and financial instruments WAGS uses and will be using in the future.

Lula Bauer reported on the $15,000 WAGS contributed to Lynchburg College Women's Soccer promoting education through soccer.

New Business:

Chair Lula Bauer talked about the need to set yearly targets for giving. While it is important to make deliberate decisions on WAGS' charitable giving it is also important to set yearly targets to spend down the surplus.

The Board voted to donate $7,500 to the NSCAA Women's Committee

The Board also approved the creation of four $10,000 player scholarships. These scholarships will be awarded annually to female players attending college and committed to playing soccer in college. To be eligible, the candidate's team must participate in the WAGS tournament in the Fall of the candidate's High School senior year. The application window will be from October to January with precise dates determined later.

Tom Gross was tasked with working with State referee associations to develop programs to recruit, train and develop female soccer referees.

Sara Smith was tasked with developing programs for female coaches including an all-female USSF E License sponsored by WAGS

WAGS Tournament:

Matt Libber of Elite Tournaments presented the plans for the upcoming Columbus Day WAGS Tournament. The Tournament has now expanded to include the U9, U10 and U11 age groups.

SaVi PR, LLC

Samantha Villegas, President of SaVi PR, LLC, a public relations firm, briefed to Board on communications and organizational strategies WAGS, with its new mission, might wish to pursue.

Board Meeting Adjured At 6pm

Next Board Meeting: August 2, 2017