

Nevada Youth Soccer Association
Special Board of Directors Meeting
August 10, 2020
Meeting Minutes
NOT APPROVED

Meeting was called to order at 4:30pm

Present

Guy Hobbs
Saeed Bonabian
Eric McDonald
Fredric Aparcar
Bob Briare
Tiffany Madsen'
Richard Jay
Rob Range
Michelle Cromwell
Ryan Ingold
Patti Mateo
Ruth Gonzales (4:51)

A quorum was present

Approval of the minutes from the June 3, 2020 meeting

Saeed made the motion

Tiffany seconded

No discussion

The vote passed unanimously

Guy began by giving an update on where we are now regarding the Return To Play Guidelines (RTPG). We are currently in 1.5 and hoping to move past in the near future. We are still monitoring compliance.

We are still under the directives from the Governor, the LEAF committee something that was sent out from the department of business and industry, the municipalities and they rules and our rules which we look at collectively and simultaneously. Where we are in phase 1.5 is where we are supposed to be.

These groups are having difficulty with what is youth and adult, contact/ non-contact and armature and professional. Guy has volunteer to help them get through it. NYSA is a model for the Governor and the LEAF committee to look through.

There is a meeting with the LEAF committee and other involved groups on Thursday and there is a possibility that the Governor will determine that it best to have each of the counties in the state to manage their own affairs. Guy believes that once that is put in place that we will be able to manage this regionally. He is not really sure how this will look but what you are really doing is moving responsibility and liability from government entity to another.

Compliance is still very important.

The south had seven teams travel to Utah for a tournament this past weekend.

NYSA position on teams traveling was that we are advising against it and not = giving them permission to do it. If they choose to do it in violation of us having them do it, we asked them to sign an additional waiver that they were taking on risks associated with the travel and that they would quarantine. Over the past week the teams were advised they were doing something they shouldn't do and that they need to sign the waivers.

Not all teams signed the waiver.

Guy stated that we could not restrict teams from coming to Nevada because travel to Nevada is not restricted.

The NYSA RTPG state that teams that leave the state to play can not stay overnight.

It was mentioned that the Utah tournament did not require player cards. If the teams that played were a member when they left, and when they came back, they were always a member.

Guy recommended that the matter be referred to the DPA committee for review to see if there was a violation of policy. Guy invited the board to speak on that proposal or ask questions about it. Guy asked again if there was any agreement to referring this to the DPA committee.

Bob asked if this was something that needed to be voted on, which Guy said no, that items referred to the DPA do not need to be voted on. Bob agreed with having them referred to the DPA and looked at individually. Richard also agreed. Guy said he appreciated the comments and said that we will proceed with the review and asked for a quick response from the DPA committee.

Tiffany asked about players that are asked to guest play out of state. Guy said we are really looking at clubs and the teams that come under them circumventing the rules. The viewpoint would be different from a player to a club. This is not about looking for ways to sanction a person, that is the last thing we want to be doing, we want them to be out playing and abiding by the rules. Saeed mentioned that players have to get permission from the state to guest play already. Guy said they would be getting info on that to the membership to clarify the guest player procedure.

Policy Amendments

Guy mentioned that people will use as an explanation of their behavior that they did not know what they were doing was a violation of the rules. He said most of our clubs and leagues level of compliance has been admirable. There are those that will disregard the rules and try to find ways around them. We need to reach upward to those who are making those decisions and hold those individuals accountable as well.

Guy invited questions

Guy invited comments

Guy invited a motion and second

Saeed motion to amend the polices as proposed

Bob seconded

Guy invited questions and discussion

7:06:05: A plea of ignorance to the rules and regulations of the NYSA is not a valid defense for any disciplinary action brought against a member. If, during the hearing process at any level, it is determined that the administration of a member club or league failed to provide their teams and personnel with information relative to changes in rules or regulations the administration of the member club or league may be considered responsible for the violation, in whole or in part, and may be subject to discipline.

7:06:06: administration, leadership, ownership or management of any member club or league may be held responsible for the actions of any of its subordinate coaches, employees or volunteers. Failure to provide proper oversight or administrative control may be considered a violation of the part of any member club or league, subject to discipline including suspensions, fines, probation and/or bad standing.

28:03:10: section 7:06:06 may apply to any violations of the Return to Play protocols.

Saeed Bonabian	Yes
Eric McDonald	Yes
Fredric Apcar	Yes
Bob Briare	Yes
Tiffany Madsen	Yes
Richard Jay	Yes
Rob Range	Yes
Michelle Cromwell	Yes
Ryan Ingold	No
Patti Mateo	Yes
Ruth Gonzales	Yes

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Motion is passed

Guy asked for additional thoughts on dealing with any additional member who intend to travel. We have a waiver signed, but that may appear that we are approving travel. Guy asked if the results of the DPA review will be the precedent on this.

Richard asked about quarantining teams and wondered if NYSA has jurisdiction over that. Rob brought up the same issue and Guy explained that quarantine was not the correct term. Guy suggested that if a team travels, it will be referred to the DPA and that a team would isolate.

There was further discussion about the quarantine or isolation component. Guy stated that isolation or quarantine is not punitive. Rob felt the quarantine was beyond our scope of NYSA. Guy suggested the we refer it to the DPA committee and we suggest that they consider isolating upon their return.

Guy shared his thoughts that a week from now we could be considering this county by county. Richard stated there was a huge softball tournament in Mesquite.

Eric mentioned that in order to be a member of our organization, you have to follow the rules, if you don't than you a bad member and there is punishment for bad members. Guy said how coming up with rules and enforcing them is not the way this organization should run. We should be looking at ways to grow and have new products to keep them engaged and he is looking forward to the day when that is the case.

Eric agreed and said there are people following the rules and he has a issue with blatant rule breaking.

The next item on the agenda is the establishment of the State Cup Committee:

Melanie Stafford - President's designee of Chair

Saeed Bonabian - First VP

Robert Range - VP Northern Region

Ruth Gonzalez

Bob Briare

Chris Griffin - SYRA

Kelsey Tesoro

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Guy invited questions and asked for a motion

Richard Jay made a motion

Tiffany - Seconded

Guy invited discussion, there was none

Saeed Bonabian

Abstain

Eric McDonald	Yes
Fredric Apar	Yes
Bob Briare	Abstain
Tiffany Madsen	Yes
Richard Jay	Yes
Rob Range	Abstain
Michelle Cromwell	Yes
Ryan Ingold	Yes
Patti Mateo	Yes
Ruth Gonzalez	Yes

8 Yes, 3 Abstain, the measure passes.

Guy said there will be other standing committees seated in the near future

Guy asked if there was any feedback about not printing player card since there is no league play and teams were not allowed to travel. Saeed and Tiffany both said it is not a problem.

Good of the Game

Tiffany wanted to state that she had nothing to do with the permits being pulled for the adult leagues although it was spread through social media. She said that she was also being threatened. She asked that everyone stop that and help spread the word that it was not her. She wanted to thank Gary Soresman for helping her get it down from social media.

Richard mentioned that Rob and Randy have come up with a great way for parents to social distancing. He said they would share it if anyone was interested. Rob said how great it is working and how parents really appreciate it. Richard described how it works and will provide a background and video for the website.

Richard motioned to adjourn the meeting.
Tiffany second