

Helena Youth Soccer Association (HYSA) Board of Directors  
Minutes for September 19, 2022, Annual General Meeting  
7:00 PM – Siebel Soccer Complex

Call to Order by President Sean Lawlor

Roll Call

- The following persons attended the meeting: Phil McGovern, Sean Lawlor, Scott Lockwood, Frank Cornwell, Cindy Brooks, Damon Murdo, Mike Hoxie, Andy Adamek, Amy Christiansen, Mark Etchart, Ali Cornwell, Ashlynn Cornwell, Quinlan O'Connor, Timo Leinonen, Courtney McAdams, Phyllis Gilreath, Tilman McAdams, John Hollow, Greg Bibeau, Matthew Spindler, Brittany Spindler, Lauren Kuntz, Pete Johnson, Tara Harris, Kaylynn Spindler, and Laura Lang
  
- Board Members Absent: Amy Hurley and Joe Vranka

Reading of the Minutes of the 2021 AGM

- The membership agreed to waive reading of the minutes. Sean indicated Cindy had a copy of the minutes to share upon request.

Financial Report

- There was a two-sided pie chart handout provided that reflected Profit and Loss for 2021 and year-to-date 2022 (January to August) identifying revenue and expenses.
- Treasurer Mark Etchart reported that HYSA's net income as of August 2022 is about \$66,000 but this does not account for all fall expenses. Once these are paid, we expect to be about in the same place this year as we were last year.

Program Report

- There was a summary of the program report provided via a handout.
- Phil McGovern provided the program report. In 2021, there were 148 Academy players, 289 Arsenal players, 282 Micro players, and 1,016 REC players (total of 1,735). In 2022, there were 154 Academy players, 323 Arsenal players, 279 Micro players, and 1,094 REC players (total of 1,850). We had 102 campers in 2021 and 192 campers in 2022. HYSA provided field use to several community organizations and awarded over \$3,680 in scholarships.
- Phil introduced Greg Bibeau, who is our new Academy director.

Reports of Officers

- President Sean Lawlor introduced the awards and asked Scott Lockwood to share them.
  - Recognition/Awards
    - Outstanding Contribution by a Referee: Dan Jankowski
    - Outstanding Contribution via Hutch Award: Phyllis Gilreath

- Phil presented the coaching awards:
  - Coach of the Year:
    - REC: Sean Becker
    - Academy/Arsenal: Heather Kinsel
- Vice President – no report
- Treasurer – given above
- Secretary – no report

#### Election of Board Members and Officers

- Proposed Slate
  - Cindy Brooks – Secretary
  - Amy Christiansen – Vice President
  - Pete Johnson
  - Timothy Leinonen
  - Quinlan O'Connor
- Secretary Cindy Brooks explained the nominations process and introduced the five people running for a two-year Board position. Upon motion and second, the membership unanimously approved the slate of candidates.

#### Old/New Business

- Courtney McAdams asked how the Board is addressing other clubs leaving MYSA. There seems to be a trend with clubs becoming Surf or another national affiliation. She asked what HYSA is doing to ensure our teams have teams to play. Sean explained that we have just started discussing this as a Board because this fall is the first time the impact of this trend has become apparent. Phil is talking to MYSA about it as it will also significantly impact the state club. Phil explained that Surf and Rush are a franchise, not part of USYS. Phil has been documenting the scheduling problems for the Board and said teams that are not playing this fall sometimes will play MYSA in the spring. Phil is working to find out why they dropped from the fall league. He suggested perhaps we could affiliate with both national leagues (US Club and USYS).
- Courtney also asked about high school players who are leaving to go play for out-of-town Surf teams for better tournament options. Sean responded this is an ongoing issue – sometimes it is a numbers issue (smaller population, etc.) and sometimes high school coaching issues. There was discussion amongst several members on how to address this issue.
- A member asked if MYSA is having a futsal league and indicated that Queen City sent out its indoor league information yesterday so if HYSA is going to run a futsal league, we need to get it going right away.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.