

Western Suburban Soccer League
Charter Meeting Minutes • Nov. 17, 2021 • 8 p.m.
Plymouth Cultural Center • 525 Farmer St. • Plymouth, MI. 48170
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Call meeting to order @ 8:06 p.m.

12 Attendees:

4 WSSL Executive Board Members Present: President Steve Fellhauer, Vice President Chris Jackett, Treasurer Dominic King, Laws Coordinator Jim Gibbs.

1 WSSL Executive Board Members Absent: Secretary Melinda Cain.

1 WSSL Administrator Present: Jennifer Westwalewicz.

7 Charter Members Present: Farmington SC (Mike Madrid), Garden City SC (Dominic King), Legacy Soccer Organization/Legends FC (Bill Joker), Lyon FC/South Lyon SC (Paris Waller), Michigan Wolves (Amy Richters), Northville SA/Michigan Rush (Mark Zathey, Steve Fellhauer), Plymouth City SC (Steve Anderson).

2 Charter Members Absent: Ann Arbor United SC, Novi Parks SC.

1. Charter meeting minutes needing approval from 11/18/20

- A. Motion Plymouth, seconded by Farmington, approved unanimously.

2. Executive Board Updates

- A. Michigan Hawks' marketing through Listserv
- B. MSYSA responded and said they did not feel this was poaching.
- C. Discussion perused and agreed it was not sporting or in the spirit of the game, but also not illegal/poaching.
- D. MSYSA AGM will be in person March 19 at Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac
- E. WSSL is receiving a \$2,000 grant to use toward referee start-up scholarships toward certification and uniform expenses. More details to come.

3. Administrator Update

- A. Registration player/team numbers compared to Fall 2019-21.
 - Team numbers are down, but player counts are similar.
 - Rec dropped about 65 teams in two years (246 now), but gained 200 players (3,369 total) across 23 clubs.
 - Select dropped about 70 teams (344 now) and 600 players across 35 clubs.

4. Old Business

- A. Reminder to submit waiver request for approval to WSSL each fall or risk being fined if any charter club places teams in a non-WSSL league, per the Membership Agreement and 1/14/20 agreed-upon discussion.

5. New Business

- A. Plymouth suggested increasing referee pay rates for Fall 2022.
- B. Dominic King said he was evaluating potential options to consolidate team and player fees into a single averaged fee.
- C. Clubs regularly dispute player numbers shown in GotSport.

Motion to Adjourn @ 8:30 PM by Plymouth, seconded by Farmington.

**Next Charter Meeting – TBD 2022
Zoom or Plymouth Cultural Center**