

Western Suburban Soccer League
Charter Meeting Minutes • May 23, 2022 • 8:30 p.m.
Via Zoom
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Attendees:

WSSL Executive Board Members: Steve Fellhauer, Chris Jackett, Jim Gibbs, Dominic King, Melinda Cain

WSSL Administrator: Jennifer Westwalewicz

9 Charter Clubs:

Ann Arbor United SC:	Jillian Tate, Dean Bowerbank
Farmington SC:	Scott McLane, Mike Madrid
Garden City SC:	Jen McConnell, Dominic King
Legacy Center:	Jessica Kilpatrick, Gretchen McKernan, William Joker, Ryan Carriere, Paris Waller
Northville SA:	Christine Lyon, Steve McGuirk, Mark Zathey
Novi Parks SC:	T. Chase Root
Plymouth City SC:	Steve Anderson, Miki Djerisilo
South Lyon FC:	Alicia Naumann, Michelle Druihet
Wolves SC:	Amy Richters, Ed McCarthy, Ken Shingledecker

1 Associate Member:

Redford:	Jennifer Roginski, Jim Gibbs
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Meeting called to order @ 8:33 p.m.

1) Charter meeting minutes needing approval from 6/16/21, 11/17/21

- a) Motioned to approve by Steve Anderson and 2nd by Dean Bowerbank;
- b) Unanimous Approval

2) Membership Review

- a) Redford SC – Status Change– Applying for change from Associate to Charter Member.
 - i) Jennifer Roginski and Jim Gibbs join from Redford SC
 - ii) Associate member WSSL 2016/2017
 - iii) Guest member since 2013
 - Representatives from Plymouth and Northville started discussion on Redford membership review.
 - iv) Plymouth motioned to upgrade Redford to Charter Member
 - v) 2nd by Novi
 - vi) Yes – Plymouth, Novi, Legacy, South Lyon, Garden City, Wolves
 - vii) No – Northville, Farmington
 - viii) Motion passed 6-2,
 - ix) Redford moves from Associate to Charter
- b) Ida SC – Status Change – Recommendation to remove as Guest Member
 - i) Has been in league 5 seasons; No teams entered in any season
 - Plymouth motioned to remove Ida as Guest Member
 - ii) Novi 2nd
 - iii) Unanimous consent
 - iv) Ida is removed as a Guest Member

3) Charter Discussion

- a) Michigan Wolves – Livonia/Detroit Soccer District (DSD)
 - i) Discussion regarding DSD starting teams in Livonia Athletic District and encroaching on Wolves district.
 - ii) Discussion of By-laws and requirements for submitting teams
 - iii) Executive Board requested feedback from Charters

4) Administrator Update

- a) Sportsforms
 - i) Used for player contracts & age documentation at registration
 - ii) Easy access for parents & clubs
 - iii) Option to add concussion form
 - iv) WSSL covers cost for contract and portal.
 - v) WSSL Admin (Jennifer) will send links to each club – Select only
- b) WSSL Yearly Team Counts
 - i) Select (398); Rec (295); Spring – Select (344); Rec (263)
 - ii) 2022 (return from COVID)
 - (1) Total team increased by 32 teams - total teams (693); Spring (575)
- c) Divisioning
 - i) Discussion on placing teams correctly for Fall
 - (1) Rec hardest to tie placement down
 - (2) 33 games with 10+ goal differentials / not productive for kids
 - ii) Equitable solutions for team skill differences
 - iii) Weekly updates on uneven games
 - (1) Goal differential might be a way to help review.
 - iv) Number of missing scores
 - v) Boys and girls HS – need oldest player birth year in name
 - vi) Suggestion for admin corner – coaches corner
 - (1) up-to-date information in portal to monitor large goal differentials for all to see

5) Old Business

- a) Per the Membership Agreement and 01.14.20 agreed-upon discussion,
 - i) reminder to Charter Clubs - submit waiver, each fall, to request approval to place teams in non-WSSL league(s) or risk being fined

6) New Business

- a) Referee Shortage and scholarship
 - i) Available grant on Referee certification for New Referees
 - ii) Plymouth City SC questioned referee shortage – Conversation about referee shortage and assignors going to U9 rec and taking house refs moving them
 - iii) Jim Gibbs discussed referee abuse is decreasing
 - (1) 4 referee issues reported.
 - iv) Referee money still available see Facebook page for details

Motion to Adjourn by Plymouth; 2nd Northville @ 9:34 PM

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