

**PHILADELPHIA AREA GIRLS SOCCER**  
**Delegate Meeting Minutes**  
**24 April 2017**

President Kevin Rooney called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm at USTC in Downingtown, PA. A Quorum of the membership, as defined in the constitution, was present. See attached Delegate sign-in sheet.

1. **Minutes of 11/21/16 Delegate Meeting:** Bill Viereck (PA Rush) moved, seconded by Roy Shearer (Brandywine United), that the minutes of the 11/21/16 Delegate Meeting (see attached) be approved as written. Motion passed unanimously.
2. **Financial Report:** Kelly Lineburger (LMYA) moved, seconded by Rick Floyd (Ridley united)), that the May 2016-March 2017 FY2017 Budget v Actual report (see attached) be approved as written. Motion passed unanimously.
3. **Special Presentation:** Fred Toroni, CPA, PAGS accountant, made a presentation regarding fraud prevention in non-profits.
4. **Election of Officers:** Tom Corey presented the slate of officers approved by the Nomination Committee (see attached). No nominations were received from the floor. Emily Bertl (Upper Dublin SC) moved, seconded by Dino Ditri (Fox Chase SC) that the slate of officers be approved. Motion passed unanimously.
5. **Old Business:**
  1. **Revised By-Laws:** Tom Corey, PAGS Executive Director, discussed all the points the membership brought up regarding the USSF small-sided initiative during the the 11/21/16 meeting. The USSF initiatives were incorporated in the proposed By-Laws that received a second reading during the that meeting. PAGS addressed the concerns the membership had with EPYSA, who then passed these concerns along to USYS. EPYSA was told that Region Associations, State Associations, and Leagues are not permitted to make changes to the small-sided rules promulgated by USSF. Bill Viereck (PA Rush) moved, seconded by Jim Finn (Twin Valley SC), that the proposed By-Laws revision be approved as written. Jack Lawler (Continental FC) proposed that the following sentence be added to paragraph 2.13.A.10: "In the event of an incidental head ball play shall continue. The motion to approve the proposed By-Laws, as amended, passed unanimously.
  2. **No of Officials at U11 and U12B:** Tom Corey reported that all PAGS Referee Assignors had been served regarding the possibility of using a single official for U11 and U12 games. All the Assignors indicated that they use the Assistant Referee positions in U11 and U12 as a way to break in and train new officials and that they didn't support a single referee system at these age groups. Therefore, PAGS will continue to use a 3-person system at U11 and U12.
  3. **PAGS 2017-2018 Playing Rules:** Tom Corey indicated that the PAGS 2017-2018 Playing Rules will reflect the changes adopted in the new version, May 2017, of the By-Laws.
  4. **PAGS Playoffs:** Tom Corey indicated that since a significant number of teams have withdrawn from the PAGS Playoffs in the U13 and U14 1st and 2nd Divisions beginning with the 2017 Fall Season the playoffs system will be revised.
    - U13 and U14 Divisions 1 and 2 will no longer have playoffs. These divisions will play a 9 game schedule, with the Division champion being determined by the standings at the end of the season. Awards will be presented to the champions.
    - The remaining U13 and U14 Divisions will have playoffs using the same formula as past season, 1st place v 4th place and 2nd place v 3rd place with the winners playing for the championship. Awards will be given to the champions and runners-up.
    - Playoffs will be added for the U15 regular season Divisions using the same format.

**6. New Business:**

1. **Key Dates:** Tom Corey discussed the key dates for 2017. (see attached)
  2. **Fees for 2017-2018:** Tom Corey discussed the fees for 2017-2018. Fees to play in PAGS have not changed in the past 9 years. In addition, PAGS will continue to absorb the cost of all player transaction (PS-1) fees. This year this amount to a \$9,723 savings to date for member clubs.
  3. **Conference Structure for the 2017 Fall Season:** Tom Corey discussed the conference structure for the 2017 Fall Season. As in the past few years it will consist of the Premier Conference (Divisions 1-5) and Charlotte Moran Conference (Divisions 1-6). More information can be found on the PAGS homepage.
  4. **Application Guidelines for the 2017 Fall Season:** Tom Corey discussed the instructions for completing the 2017 Fall Season Application. The instructions are available on the home page as a stand alone article. In addition, the instructions for each section of the application are on the application at the beginning of the section. **PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING THE APPLICATION.**
  5. **Divisional Placement Criteria for the 2017 Fall Season:** Tom Corey discussed the Divisional Placement Criteria for the 2017 Fall Season. The criteria re available on the home page as a stand alone article.
  6. **Proposed FY 2018 Budget:** Tom Corey discussed the proposed FY2018 budget. (see attached). Glenn Strause (Parkland Area SC) moved, seconded by Bill Viereck (PA Rush), that the proposed FY2018 Budget (see attached) be approved as written. Motion passed unanimously.
  7. **Team/Player Registration 2017-2018:** Erin Corey, PAGS Registrar, discussed the Team/Player Registration process for 2017-2018. The EPYSA online system should be available NLT than 6/1/17. Teams can begin building their rosters at this time. PAGS will begin approving rosters on 8/1/17 and all teams will be approved in time for the PAGS Fall Season. If a team is playing in a tournament that requires new rosters/player passes prior to the PAGS Fall Season the Club Registrar should contact the PAGS Registrar via email to request expedited approval of the team. Special note: The **roster limit for U9 and U10 teams is 14. The roster limit for U11 and U12 teams is 16.**
  8. **Other:** The question was raised, would PAGS be willing to combine its Spring Season with Rock League or ICSSL. Mike Koch, PAGS President, will look into this and will report back at the September Delegate Meeting.
7. **Next Meeting:** The next Delegate Meeting will be held on Monday, 9/11/17, at 7:00 pm at United Sports.
8. Rick Floyd (Methacton United) moved, seconded by Eric Pine (SCCSA), that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously. Mike Koch adjourned the meeting at 7:58 pm.