



Massachusetts State Soccer Association  
*A proud member of the United States Adult Soccer Association*

**Minutes of Semi Annual General Meeting**

6 November 2014 - Wellesley Community Center

**I. Roll Call**

- A. Leagues Attending: Kevin Griffith/BSSL, Diana McKee/MSSL, Paulo DeBarros/NELASA, G Semepo/NELASA, Craig Hibbert/CMO35, Tom Casey/CMO35, Doug Anneser/NEOTHSL,
- B. Officers Attending: Andy Weiss/President, Sean Carey/Vice President, Rob Akie/Interim Treasurer, Logan Wangsgard/Secretary, Cezar Wislocki-Wasecki/Past President
- C. Total votes = 15 Quorum present.
- D. Others Present: Del Rainho/Mass Ref Committee, John Stack, JP Lukengu Cup/Commissioner, Andrea Cardarelli/MASS Operations, Chris Camille/State Coach

**II. Minutes from Previous meeting**

- A. Approved Unanimously

**III. New Committee Appointments**

- A. Treasurer - Rob Akie - approved unanimous
- B. Director of Coaching - Chris Camille - approved unanimous

**IV. Officer Reports**

- A. Pres. [Andy]- budget, website- Jeremy under contract
- B. VP. [Sean] - website - coming along, building out Weebly, ready to go soon
- C. Sec. [Logan] - Cup winners cup, going to work with JP to get this done
- D. Treasurer [Rob] - Quickbooks change from Web to desktop

**V. Committee Reports**

- A. National Cups [JP]- not much to report
- B. Ref Committee – [Del] - getting refs assessed etc
- C. Disciplinary Committee- We need a larger pool for panelists from the leagues

**VI. Financial Statement by Treasurer**

- A. P&L, Balance Sheet - approved, unanimous

## **VII. New Business**

- A. Andy - USASA meeting - New Pres. John Motta to approach things as business and increase the profit margin
- B. Andrea - Uniform suppliers, Several suppliers including, Kangaroo Crossing, Admiral Sports, Russell Athletic, and We Got Soccer. Unanimously decided to partner with Kangaroo to offer a discount on uniforms for affiliated leagues and teams.
- C. By-law changes -
  - 1. By-law 3.6: Add Past Pres. to check signing, and checks over \$1,000 to be co-signed - approved unanimous
  - 2. By-law 4.1, 4.2. 4.4: Changed wording on timing of meeting schedules and budget approval to allow more flexibility - approved unanimous
  - 3. New by-law [5.4] Offers arbitration as alternative to appeal process for when speedy decisions are crucial – approved unanimous
- D. Cup Winners Cup idea - approved unanimous
- E. AEDs [defibrillators] Mass Soccer to help reimburse teams that buy them
  - 1. Check with USASA or USSF for money to help with this
  - 2. Proposal for \$25k by Mass Soccer [\$250/team] for 1 year cost. approved unanimous
- F. Revs Relationship
  - 1. Season tickets? Unanimously agreed to purchase 6 again. Methods for distribution of the tickets were discussed.
  - 2. Tents at games to promote Mass Soccer
- G. New Ways to promote our organization including:
  - 1. Youth centers, raffles, Revs game tents – thoughts to think about new avenues, especially to find a pipeline for the youth into our leagues.
- H. Mission Statement for Mass Soccer: Andy and Logan to work on this with consultant
- I. Tents - 1 for each league [option to leagues to buy others at discount] – This idea was rejected

## **VIII. Budget**

- A. Andy unveiled a new tool for budget calculations, which was used to approve the budget for 2015 per the bylaw change above. And the budget was approved unanimously.