

**MICHIGAN STATE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Monday, April 29, 2024**

The Board of Director's Meeting of the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association (MSYSA) was called to order on Monday, April 29, 2024, by President Mike Poulos at 6:44 PM via 'Zoom'.

**Board Members Present:** Mike Poulos, Denise Moote, Adam Dixon, Tina Ramirez, Oscar Castañeda, Ron Grobbel, Wendy Zielen, Mike Egnotovich, Anthony Spica, Steve DeVries, Brian Scherzer, Paul Tinnion.

**Board Members Excused:** Doug Prim, Gerhard Mengal, Robin Crawford.

**Administrators Present:** Tom Faro, Julie Pearson, Mark Zathey.

This is a **Reporting** Meeting.

The minutes for the MSYSA Board of Directors Meeting held on Monday, March 18, 2024, will be filed for audit.

**President's Report:** Mike Poulos

An RM appeal was heard, and a decision rendered. The applicant will receive the written decision no later than ten (10) business days.

USYS is considering potential changes to USYS competitions (and ODP) commencing in 2025.

Brian Scherzer has been appointed as a Committee Member (by Mark Klein) to the Bylaws/Rules Committee.

2024 Try-out information was disseminated to MSYSA members. Also, the next Strategic Plan update will be in August.

**Vice President Report:** Denise Moote

No Report.

**Treasurer's Report:** Adam Dixon

Adam relayed year-to-date (YTD) total revenue for the month ending March 31, 2024, was \$2,119,292 with YTD expenses totaling \$1,453,991, resulting in a YTD surplus of \$665,300.

**Recording Secretary:** Tina Ramirez

No Report.

**MSPSP Chairperson Report:** Oscar Castañeda

400 matches played to-date. Start of spring season yielded a number of cards.

**Recreational Director Report:** Doug Prim

Excused.

**MSA (Adult) Report:** Gerhard Mengel

Excused.

**SYRA Report:** Ron Grobbel

Finalizing 'Incident Report' process with Ref Insight system. Currently preparing for State Cup, Regionals, President's Cup. MI now has 11 Referee Coaches, and approximately 4,000 certified officials.

**Metro Southwest Report:** Wendy Zielen

No Report.

**Metro Central Report:** Michael Egnotovich

No Report.

**Metro East Report:** Anthony Spica

Excused.

**North District Report:** Brian Scherzer

Conducted North District Meeting last week. Will connect with Ron Grobbel on referee specific questions from the North District.

**West District Report:** Steve DeVries

No Report.

**Nominating Committee Report:** Paul Tinnion.

No Report.

**Immediate Past President:** Robin Crawford

Excused.

**Staff/Executive Director's Report:** Tom Faro

Written Report Submitted.

**Staff/Technical Director:** Mark Zathey

793 players registered thus far for ODP Try-Outs. Planning additional Grassroots Courses and a 'D' license this summer. Also, participant registration in B and C licenses is quite good.

**Unfinished Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

**Motion (Denise Moote):** To provisionally approve United FC as a direct member with MSYSA, subject to approval by the members at the MSYSA AGM.

**Second:** (Tina Ramirez)

**Discussion:** United FC will be in the Metro Central District.

**Motion:** Approved.

**Motion (Brian Scherzer):** To approve Saturday, June 7, 2025, as MSYSA's official try-out start date in 2025.

**Second:** (Tina Ramirez)

**Discussion:** This date was selected to avoid existing tournaments and President's Cup.

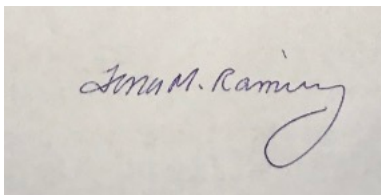
**Motion:** Approved.

**For the Good of the Game:**

Sadly, two (2) referees recently passed away. Please keep them and their families in your thoughts/prayers.

The next regular meeting of the MSYSA Board of Directors is also on Monday, May 20, 2024, at 6:30 PM, via Zoom.

The Post-AGM Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

A photograph of a handwritten signature in blue ink on a light-colored piece of paper. The signature reads "Tina M. Ramirez" in a cursive script.

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Tina Ramirez, Recording Secretary  
Michigan State Youth Soccer Association, Inc.