



Minutes–GLWSL Board meeting

1/2/2019

Meeting called to order at 7:15pm at Shield's Pizza, Southfield. Board members present: Ellen, Laura V., Cindy, Kim, Laura B., and Elma. Board members absent: Ellen, Erica, Laura B., Ruth, Nicole, (plus a "t.b.d." additional unfilled/open one year seat for a twoyear odd numbered year atlarge seat)

The December **minutes** were approved on motions by Cindy, seconded by Kim. Kim went over the treasurer's report which was accepted on motion by Cindy, seconded by Laura V.

Michigan Soccer Association HALL OF FAME Dinner: The GLWSL **Hall of Fame** program ad – will feature RUTH TIPLADY!!! Thank you, Ruth, for all that you have done for women's soccer, girls' soccer, and for all of soccer. The Hall of Fame dinner is set for **February 2, 2019**, at the **San Marino Club in Troy** (Big Beaver near John R.). Tickets are \$55 per person in advance, or ten per table at \$500/table. The league is buying one table but obviously the more the merrier.

Annual General Meeting, January 13, 2019, 1pm Schoolcraft College, McDowell Center, Rms 100A&D: Cindy confirmed that Dyann Pugliese, from the Michigan Soccer Association, will be presenting at the AGM. Dyann's topic will be about the in's and out's of **field insurance**. Cindy likewise confirmed that Lauren Lobert will provide training on **concussion protocol** during the AGM. Thank you, Cindy, for securing these featured speakers! Other topics will include **referee training**. Carlos Folino, MSA's Referee in Chief, will be out of town, but he's hoping to send a representative to answer questions. Did you know that there will be over twenty-five locations in the next 3 months where you can get your referee certification? Visit the MichiganRefs.org website to learn more. And don't forget that **GLWSL offers scholarships** to help defray the costs of getting your ref'ing credentials. Other topics for the AGM will likely be the **managers' toolkit** and updating FAQ messaging surrounding **out-of-town tournament stipends**, the **rules for rain delays, cancellations, and forfeitures**, and questions surrounding concerns over the risk of standings manipulation. Finally, there will be discussion on the status of **Open division** and the **possibility of cross-over games with MPSL**. WPSL, MPSL and GLWSL all have difficulty recruiting and retaining teams in the 18-25 year old bracket, but GLWSL shines at being the place for those players to still find a competitive place to land regardless of age.

Pencil-in **April 9th** for the **2019 player/team registration evening**. Yes, it's time to start contacting your players and to plan for sunnier and warmer days!

This was the last official meeting of the 2018 Board. New officers will be elected at the January 13th Annual General Meeting. There being no other business, the meeting was **ADJOURNED at 9pm**