

## **Grand Valley Soccer Association (GVSA) Board of Directors Meeting**

Date: March 2, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Developing Dreams (625 Kenmoor Ave. SE, #102, Grand Rapids, MI 49546)

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### **I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:24 PM by Kevin Balcer.

- A. **Board Members Present:** Jane Ashby, Kevin Balcer, Bre Brendsel, Chris Denham, Andrew Johnson, Kellie McPherson, JoAnn VanSlooten
- B. **Administrator Present:** Sue Crabtree
- C. **Board Members Absent:** Sara Ingraham
- D. **Guests:** John Corebett

### **II. Minutes of Previous Meeting (January 2026)**

- A. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the February 2026 Board Meeting, with minor revisions. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

### **III. Officer's Reports**

- A. Ethics Officer
  - 1. None
- B. GVSOA Representative
  - 1. 70 new referees in the past month
  - 2. Four new referee classes will be offered before the spring season.
  - 3. We
- C. Director of Coaching
  - 1. The Director of Coaching, Kellie McPherson, reported that we only have three remaining coaches in GVSA that need to sign up for their Grassroots course ahead of Spring season, in order to meet the GVSA coaching license requirement.
  - 2. MSYSA is beginning a new round of training for coaching educators. That process will take about a year.
- D. Treasurer

1. Treasurer JoAnn VanSlooten reported that CD funds were put into an 11 month, 3% CD.
2. The original CD accrued \$8,192 in interest over 10 months

## **I. Administrator's Report**

- A. Sue Crabtree reported there are 522 teams registered this year, which is an increase from the 2024-2025 seasonal year.
- B. MSYSA has announced a new pathway that MSYSA is adopting that will include Premier, and NAL teams. More information will be provided as GVSA gathers more information on the impact on GVSA teams and families.
- C. Sue Crabtree is finalizing packets for the GVSA AGM meeting, which will take place at Grandville Library. She discussed the new rule change surrounding proxy voting policies.

## **II. Old Business**

- A. AGM—Board Nominee slate approval/Agenda
  1. Kevin Balcer motioned to accept the AGM officer position nominations. Chris Denham seconded, and the nominations were approved unanimously.
- B. Website Update
  1. The new GVSA website has been created and is ready for review. Sue Crabtree will present the new website at the GVSA AGM.
  2. The new website will include club payment options, a new fully-functioning scheduling system, and much more.

## **III. New Business**

- A. 30-year celebration
  1. The Board discussed a celebration event including past GVSA and club board members to celebrate 30 years of soccer in West Michigan.
- B. Memorial Day Weekend Games
  1. Bre Brendsel proposed opening up Memorial Weekend for scheduling GVSA games during the Spring 2027 season. The purpose of this would be to open up an additional weekend for coaches to schedule games, as spring is a shortened season.

## **IV. Club Member Comment** (Clubs are asked to submit any agenda items not listed above in advance)

A. No comments were submitted

V. **Executive Session**

A. None

VI. **Adjournment**

A. The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 PM

B. The next Board meeting is scheduled for April 13, 2026 at 7:30 PM, held virtually.