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Washington Youth Soccer Conducts Comprehensive Strategic Review with Plans for Future Success

FEDERAL WAY, WASHINGTON (Tuesday, August 19) – Over the past forty years, Washington Youth Soccer has established itself as one of the most successful and progressive state youth soccer associations in the country. To continue this precedence and ensure positive strategic growth for the next forty plus years, Washington Youth Soccer has secured the assistance of Jan Glick & Associates, a management consulting company specializing in nonprofit organizations. Over the course of the project, Jan Glick & Associates will evaluate, revamp and augment Washington Youth Soccer’s current operating procedures, governing documents, infrastructure, and systems.

Since inception, the original operational and governing structures that were established have provided a solid foundation for membership growth and the development of innovative programs. However in order to continue providing the best possible support and programs to its members, Washington Youth Soccer’s Board of Directors realized that a comprehensive review by an independent company was a necessary step to keep pace with other prominent youth soccer organizations.

“Meeting the needs of our members while managing the constantly changing soccer landscape has always been our top priority,” stated Todd McGann, Washington Youth Soccer’s Executive Director/COO. “The structure we have historically used served us well for the past forty years, however we felt it was time to re-evaluate what we do and how we do it to ensure we are doing what is best for the entire organization.”

The goal of the strategic plan will be to clarify the vision and future direction of Washington Youth Soccer while building upon the strength of past success. As part of the project, Jan Glick & Associates will solicit active participation and input from various internal and external sources of Washington Youth Soccer. The project is set to begin immediately and should be completed by April, 2009. More information will be available at www.wsysa.com as the process continues.

About Washington Youth Soccer

Washington Youth Soccer is the largest youth soccer organization in Washington. Washington Youth Soccer is the state's affiliate for US Youth Soccer, which is the largest sports organization in the United States and the most populous member of the United

States Soccer Federation, the governing body for soccer in the United States. The Washington Youth Soccer is the sixth largest membership in the nation; our organization represents over 126,000 players (ages 4-19) and their families, 15,000 coaches on 11,000 teams and 6,500 referees in the state of Washington. Washington Youth Soccer's mission is to foster the physical, mental and emotional growth and development of the State of Washington's youth through the sport of soccer at all levels of age and competition.

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