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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Washington Youth Soccer Announces Its 2008-2009 Volunteer Committee Chairs**

*FEDERAL WAY, WASHINGTON* (Tuesday, August 26) – Since inception, Washington Youth Soccer has relied on the work and dedication of volunteer State Committees Chairs in order to fulfill its mission of fostering the growth and development of youths through the sport of soccer. These positions are critical to the success of Washington Youth Soccer and therefore play a prominent role in the execution of state procedure and policy.

Congratulations to the 2008-2009 Washington Youth Soccer State Committee Chairs recently re-appointed by the Board of Directors: Roberto Alvarez (State Youth Referee Administration), Lou Bair (Disciplinary), Ernie Bodoh (Appeals), Pam Copple (Hall of Fame and Risk Management), George Maitland (Finance), Elizabeth Merritt (ODP), Dave Painton (WSPL), Leslie Poirier (Championship Tournament), Steven Scranton (Rules), Janette Silleck (President's Cup), Marty Torres (TOPSoccer), and Gail Zimbleman (WSPL).

Washington Youth Soccer also extends its sincerest thanks for the hard work of past Committee Chairs including Sue Boettcher (Soccer Start), Pat McNulty (Ethics and Mediation), Rex Smith (Recreation), and Lori Stengrund (WSPL). Their commitment to improving the quality of youth soccer in the state of Washington serves as a model for us all.

“Washington Youth Soccer’s strength and ability to serve thousands upon thousands each year is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our most valuable asset, our volunteers,” exclaimed Todd McGann, Washington Youth Soccer Executive Director/COO. “Their overall passion and love for the game has provided strength to this association at every level and enabled us to provide the highest level of services and programs to our young athletes and their families.”

Visit [www.wsysa.com](http://www.wsysa.com) for further information about Washington Youth Soccer and the State Committee Chairs.

### **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 12,000 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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