

## 2017-18 Education Department Report – Steve Franklin, Director of Coaching Education

### Coaching Education:

- 56 Candidates earned their on-line F license before it was discontinued February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019
- 21 Candidates attended the E License Course prior to the cancelation of the course.
- 55 Candidates attended the D License Course.
- US Soccer instituted the NEW Grassroots programing (replacing the National F and E Licenses). With this, the following licenses were earned:
  - 145 earned the 4v4 Grassroots License
  - 117 earned the 7v7 Grassroots License
  - 58 earned the 9v9 Grassroots License
  - 154 earned the 11v11 Grassroots License
  - 474 Grassroots Licenses total were earned this past year
- The Director of Education traveled throughout the state and giving over two dozen free player clinics since August 2017.
- Updated lesson plans and Full Season Plans for the U6, U8, U1-, U12 and U13+ coach were developed and placed on Indiana Soccer’s website.
- Indiana Soccer, in collaboration with Meulensteen North America, hosted the United States Technical Championship Midwest Sub-Regional event at IUPUI’s Carroll Stadium with 140+ ODP players participating.
- Indiana Soccer hosted the 2018 USTC National Championships at Grand Park in December, with 143 players competing.
- Attended the Region II Coaching Symposium in Kansas City, MO.
- Over 460+ Indiana coaches have been certified with the curriculum involving the “RMA”. Courses were conducted in conjunction with Zionsville SC; Hoosier FC; South Central Soccer Academy; Bloomington Cutters, Jr. Irish and Vigo County SC .

### Community Soccer

Community Outreach Programming completed its seventh season. High School and College programs participated. There were two options to participate. The first option is called the “On Site” version in which the host high school/colleges go to a game and also participate in a youth clinic. The second option is called the “Home” version. In this version, the players can still attend college matches for free but they do the “skills” portion of the Community Stars Program at home. There is a section on Indiana Soccer’s website that guides the children through the “home” skills program. A section devoted to Community Soccer was developed and placed Indiana Soccer’s website.

- “HD” Project-This project is based on John Wooden’s pyramid of success. The project consists of activities for coaches with a life skill portion attached. Indiana Soccer piloted this program with many community and recreational age groups. The response was very favorable.
- A “How to host a community soccer day” template was developed and placed on the Indiana Soccer’s Community Soccer section of the website.

- The Director of Coaching Education organized and conducted two free youth soccer clinic for 350 participants celebrating “USYSA National Soccer Month” during the September at Indy Eleven Soccer match against Tampa Bay.
- The Fourth Annual “Make Your Own Ball” Day went state wide, as more than 5 dozen clubs took part during the month of September – with over 1,000 participating at the Evansville-Butler Men’s soccer match at the Butler Bowl.
- USYSA added it to their National Youth Soccer Month programming.

### **Additional**

- Indiana DOC was named to the Midwest Regional Championships Committee.
- Served as the ambassador for College Coaches in Attendance at the 2018 Region II Championships and Presidents Cup Finals. Coordinated food, logistics and recruiting materials for over 380+ college Coaches.
- State Director served as a National staff Instructor for the US Soccer National C License course in Charlotte, NC; a National C license in Morgan Hill, CA; and a National C in Meridian, ID .
- Webinars/Webcasts/Website
  - Community Soccer webinars
    - Hosted a Meulensteen “community” festival in-May 2018 at SCSA. Along with SCSA, Columbus Express, Bloomington, Westfield and St. Francis.
  - Coach Mentor Program
    - A new program designed to assist current coaches on the finer points of their coaching within the practice/game.

### **Future**

- The continuation of the Virtual Director of Coaching Program was offered in January 2017. It was designed to assist clubs who do not have a full or part time DOC or Technical Director.
- College Soccer webinar
  1. The webinar will be designed to assist PSA’s (prospective student-athletes) and parents in the process of recruitment to play college soccer at all competitive levels.
- Education On-Line Library
  1. Establishment of an on-line library resource center for Indiana Soccer youth coaches. Training programs; favorite practices; systems of play; fitness guidelines; etc. will be categorized for assisting members in coaching needs.
- Webinars will be provided for the Youth Module 2, as well as a Parent Education component.