

Midland Area Youth Soccer Annual General Meeting

Saturday November 17, 2019

Bay Path Regional Technical High School

The meeting was called to order at 12:34 PM by President Cliff Cloutier.

1. Elections:

- a. Vice President – Mike Poe: elected by acclamation
- b. Secretary – Jeff LaBonte: elected by acclamation
- c. Sportsmanship – Thierry Mann: elected by ballot (counts verified by secretary and registrar)
- d. U10 Boys Registrar – Les Stevens - elected by acclamation
- e. U12 Boys Registrar – Bob Myers: – elected by acclamation
- f. U14 Boys Registrar – Greg Diezel: – elected by acclamation

2. Treasurer Report – Steve Tsihils

- a. The Treasurer provided a financial summary which can be found in the appendix at the end of these minutes.
- b. Treasurer stated that the \$4,180 to the IRS was for refiling fees due to for a late filing for the 2017 taxes. The reason is we didn't have any information from other treasurer. Current treasurer had to create a check register for the year.
- c. President briefed the membership about a pending court action involving previous treasurer. Still working through courts and updates will be provided as available and appropriate.

Jeff LaBonte made a motion to accept the Treasurer report, Jim Soto seconded the motion, the motion carried.

3. 2019-20 MAYS Organizational Calendar

- a. President provided a proposed calendar for 2019-20, a copy of which can be found in the appendix at the end of these minutes.
- b. Jim Soto made a motion to accept the calendar, Jeff LaBonte seconded, motion carried.

4. President recommended two Referee Assignors as per MAYS Bylaws, Section V: Mark McGowan and Matthew Tsihilis; both are returning.

Some discussion followed about the necessity for 2 assignors. Motion to accept both assignors by Greg Diezel, second Mike Poe, motion carried

5. Age Groupings

- a. Whether MAYS should adhere to birth year-only, or the Mass Youth Soccer grade AND birth year assignments. Only two other leagues use birth year only, and MTOC goes by grade as well.

Motion to align with Mass Youth Soccer matrix and use grade-based groupings made by Thierry Mann, seconded Mike Poe, motion carried.

Age Groups for MAYS clubs will follow Mass Youth Soccer Matrix, which for 2019-20 is as follows:

Program	Grade Requirements	AND	Date of Birth Requirements Born On or After
(U10) Grades 3 & 4	4 th Grade or Lower	AND	1/1/2009
(U12) Grades 5 & 6	6 th Grade or Lower	AND	1/1/2007
(U14) Grades 7 & 8	8 th Grade or Lower	AND	1/1/2005
(U17) Grades 9-11	11 th Grade or Lower	And	1/1/2002
(U19) Grades 12+	12th + 1 year of lower	And	1/1/2000

6. Proposal to amend or remove bylaw Part II; Section B(a)-(d) pertaining to build out line/modified 7v7 rules

- a. Proposal to either fully adopt the US Soccer recommendation for build out line, or remove such rule from our bylaws as it was being used and applied inconsistently and with a great deal of confusion from coaches and referees.

Motion to eliminate the current bylaw Jeff LaBonte, second Shane Jackson, motion carried

7. Motion from the floor to amend the bylaws to add new Part II, Section B(a) to read:

“In 7v7 play, on goal kicks only, defending team must retreat to midfield until the ball is put into play.”

Second by Jim Soto, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn – Jeff LaBonte, seconded by everybody, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 2:13pm.

Important Dates 2019-20

Spring 2020

1/12/2019	• Placement profiles need to be submitted to appropriate MAYS registrar • Team names, division are due in Sports Manager • Team Fees should be mailed • Rosters need to be in Sports Manager
1/27/2020	MAYS Board meeting on team placement 6PM @ Bay Path
2/09/2020	MAYS Appeals hearing on team placements Bay Path Times TBD
2/27/2020	• MAYS Travel team add/drop cutoff date • Fields in SportsManager with Blackouts • Dates teams unavailable due to MAYS (Graduation, first communions, etc. should be sent by towns to MAYS president so after schedule is run we can manage those games)
2/28/2020	Spring scheduling started
3/01/2020	• Players and Coaches pictures should be in the system by this time. • Registrars start approval process of players/team/coaches • Players with waiver will not be accepted till waiver is granted
3/08/2020	Travel Coaches and town reps meeting time & place TBD (Mandatory that one coach from each team must attend per MAYS rule).
4/4 - 4/5/2020	First travel games
4/11/2020	Postponement requests due – Bylaw XII for U10-U14
4/12/2020	Postponement requests due – Bylaw XII for U17-U19
No Games April 11-12 Unless Requested	
5/15/2020	MAYS / MTOC Roster Freeze Date • All MTOC teams need to be at their age group amount of players – no players can be added after this date on MTOC eligible teams.
No Games May 23-24 Unless Requested	

6/6-6/7/2020	Final weekend for MTOC-eligible travel games (including makeups)
6/9/2020	MAYS Playoff Alignment Meeting Time/Location TBD
6/13 – 6/14/2020	Final weekend for U10 and D3 U12/U14 (Gaffney Cup)
6/13 – 6/14/2020	MAYS playoffs
6/20-6/21/2020	MAYS Playoffs
6/26-6/28/2020	MTOC @ Lancaster

Fall 2020

7/26/2020	• Team names, division are due in Sports Manager • Team Fees should be mailed • Rosters need to be in SportsManager
08/06/2020	• Division Cutoff and Add /Drop team cutoff • Coaches and Players pictures must be in Sports Manager system on rosters
08/08/2020	• Registrars start excepting of players/team/coaches • Players with waiver will not be accepted till waiver is granted
8/29-30/2020	First Games
No Games Sept 5-6 Unless Requested (Labor Day) No Games Oct. 10-11 Unless Requested (Columbus Day)	
11/1/2020	Last games (11/1 is also Daylight Savings)