

Middlesex Youth Soccer League
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Towanda Club, Woburn, MA
January 3, 2012

Attendance

Board Directors Present: John Linnehan, Mark Nasiff, Tom Heinz, Mary Rogers, Bob Fryer, Mike Buopopane, Lori McLaughlin, Mary Packard, Dave Vigeant, Ken Antonucci,

Board Directors Absent: Rich Buck, Cathy Cosentino, Al Cosentino (non-voting), Jay Bromander, Kevin Brothers, Didier Barnes-Guzman,

Age Directors Present: Brian Treanor (BU14- 1,2); Leonard David (BU14-3,4,5); Caryn Goulet (GU12- 3,4,5); Bob Folk (BU12- 1,2); Maryjane Canning (GU10-3), Marc Davidson (GU10- 1,2); Jim Claroni (GU14- 3,4,5); Dave Vigeant (GU12- 1,2); Jeanne Buck (BU10- 1,2); Jon Ledoux (BU10- 4,5); Michael Balous (GU10- 4,5); Tim Delaney (GU14- 1,2);

Age Directors Absent: Heather McSween (BU12- 3,4,5); Russ Medeiros (B/G U18/19); Rich Altonaga (B/G U16); Gene Maceachern (BU10- 3);

Town Coordinators Present: Jon Snider (Wilmington), Bill Rowe for Bela Hasek (Burlington), Leonard David (Malden), Mike Buonopane (Everett), Mary Rogers (Billerica), Matt Avella (Medford), Ian Ashford (Waltham), Lindy Williamson (Charlestown), Kevin Robertson (Westford), Stephen deGaravilla (Wakefield), Jon Ledoux (Lowell), Michael Balous (Dracut),

Town Coordinators Absent : Shawn McCarthy (Stoneham), Joe Tassone (Woburn), Paul Millett (Reading), John Emerson (Chelmsford), Paul Clarke (Somerville), Sal Schiavone, (Tewksbury), Ann Marie Ely (Hanscom), Bob Lynch-Galvin (Melrose),

Visitors: Ray Halleran (Ref Cmte),

Minutes of the Meeting

I. Meeting called to order at 7:50pm by President John Linnehan

II. President's Remarks (John Linnehan)

- A. Happy New Year
- B. An important year for us to continue to work together for the benefit of the league, its member towns and all players, coaches, spectators and families.

III. Secretary's Report (Bob Fryer)

No Report

IV. Treasurer's Report (John Linnehan for Cathy Cosentino)

- A. Balance sheet as of 12/31/11 distributed
- B. Cash is down as expected

Motion: to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented to the Board (*moved- C. Goulet, 2nd- D. Vigeant; motion approved unanimously*)

V. Registrar (Mary Rogers)

- A. All is fine.
- B. Due date for all placement requests—with checks!! – is midnight 1/15/12
 - 1. All information was sent to town coordinators, presidents and registrars
- D. Dates to note about placement
 - 1/15/12: all rosters and placement requests with checks due to Mary Rogers
 - 1/18/12: placement requests sent to ADs
 - 1/31/12: Director and AD placement meeting

- 2/7/12: final placement meeting

VI. Age Directors

- A. Nothing to report

VII. Commissioners' Reports

Boys' Commissioner (Mary Packard)

- A. emails sent to anyone who has a hold-over suspension into the spring season

Girls Commissioner (Jay Bromander)

- No report

Commissioners' Cup and Championship Playoffs (Ken Antonucci)

- A. Woburn indicated that they can hold the cup, but need to know soon as they will be re-doing their fields and the Cup impacts timing
- B. Waltham also interested. Can hold entire cup and playoffs using a combination of Veterans' Field and fields at the Gann School next door.
 1. Ray Halleran will get information and update next month.

VIII. Referee Report (Tom Heinz)

- A. Things are quiet
- B. Sent an email regarding rescheduling games and using mysl.ref website
 1. Planning to make it easier for ADs
 2. The key is to ensure that the AD approves make ups before they get rescheduled

IX. Webmaster Report (Didier Barnes-Guzman)

- No report

X. TOPSoccer Report (Caryn Goulet)

- A. US Youth Soccer national Workshop is coming to Boston 2/16 – 18 at the World Trade Center
 1. There will be a TOPSoccer demonstration and training
 - a) Working on getting materials and resources that can be purchased by organizations to get a program going

XI. Sportsmanship Committee Report (Mike Buonopane)

- A. Review of the role that Sportsmanship committee plays
 1. Reactive committee that can get involved based on inquiry from many places.
 2. Can review issues and then push oversight to another committee, a town, a commissioner, etc.
 3. Committee does not seek issues to investigate

XII. Statistician Report (Dave Vigeant)

- A. Make sure that you have enough fields to support your town's teams\make sure you communicate what fields those are and when they are available for use
- "half + 1 Guideline"- by age group, take the total # of teams, divide by two and add 1. that will be enough fields to take care of all your teams throughout the season . Example- If your town has a total of 10 teams U12 (both Boys and girls), you will need 6 fields available each weekend
- Agreed that if a town has not given enough fields/times—Dave will contact them.
- Fuileds for U16 – U19: each town should supply a venue / date per team)preferably 1+)

XIII. New Business

- A. Discussion about the Mass Youth Soccer new policy for U8 players participating in higher age groups. Appears to be more of a recommendation as many leagues have not accepted it.
- B. Discussion about MYSL Referees using the SportsManager Referee System.
 1. Has not happened yet, due to a variety of issues.
 2. System was tested in the fall by 4 towns—it got good reviews and towns sent recommendations for improvement.

3. League has voted to use one system for game scheduling and referee assignments—it was expressed that as this was approved by the board—we MUST abide by that vote.
4. Mark Nasiff and the Referee Committee have agreed to work together to ensure that the SportsManager system has the appropriate capabilities.
5. John Linnehan will monitor the progress, as he must answer to the board and this issue has not been resolved in over a year

XIV. Motion to Adjourn

Motion: To adjourn this meeting of the MYSL Board of Directors (*moved- J. Buckk; 2nd- L. McLaughlin; motion approved unanimously*)

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Fryer
Secretary
01-22-12