

Middlesex Youth Soccer League

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Quality Inn, Lexington, MA
February 4, 2020

Attendance

Board Members		G56-1,2 - Nick Howie		Malden – Paul Lee	
Caryn Goulet, President		G56-3,4,5 – Jake Wilson		Medford – Tom Heinz	
Joe Boucher, VP Admin		G78-1,2 - Tim Delaney		Melrose - Jim Donohue	
Ken Antonucci, VP Dev/Comp		G78-3,4,5 – open		Reading – John Parks	
Brian Treanor, Secretary		B34-1,2 – John Sanders		SWOB - Preston Hollis	
Steve Lane, Treasurer		B34-3 - Allen Reitz		Somerville - Jake Wilson	
Mary Rogers, Registrar		B34-4,5 - James Casey		Stoneham – Tobin Shulman	
Mary Packard, Boys Commish		B56-1,2 - open		Tewksbury – Mike Garabedian	
Tim Delaney, Girls Commish		B56-3,4,5 - open		Waltham - Ray Halleran	
Ray Halleran, Ref Coordinator		B78-1,2 - Lenny David		Westford - Stephen Jones	
Rich Buck, Statistician		B78-3,4,5 – Stephen Jones		Wilmington - Nick Howie	
Shaun Driscoll, Protest & Sports		B&G910 – Bill Childs		Guests	
Nelson Amaya, Webmaster		B&G1112 - Jim Sherry		Darwin Molina - Wilmington	
Brian Treanor, Parliamentarian		Town Coordinators		Eric Chajon - Everett	
Shawn McCarthy, Past Pres		Billerica - Mary Rogers			
Bill Rowe, Sportsmanship		Burlington - Bill Rowe			
Age Directors		Charlestown - Allen Reitz			
G34-1,2 - Jeanne Buck		Chelmsford - Hani AlDayaa			
G34-3 - Rich Buck		Everett – John Perkins			
G34-4,5 - Helen Webb		Lowell – Lori Hicks			

green = present, yellow = had a substitute TC

Minutes of the Meeting – Recorded by: Caryn Goulet

1. Meeting called to order by President Caryn Goulet at 7:30pm
2. President's Report (Caryn Goulet)
 - MYSL AGM Thursday, March 26th 2020.
 - Report out from Town President's meeting (1/28/2020)
 - Reading does not place grade ¾ teams any lower than D2; keeps them in-town recreational
 - Reading asked if any other towns interested in cross-town recreational play
 - Concerns about players denied opportunity for D4/D5 competition when it already exists, would be logistically confusing for other town D4/D5 teams who already have MYSL games on Sat
 - FINAL: Reading decided to put a D5 girls & boys team in for Spring
 - Interest in reviewing and standardizing Governance documents
 - HOLD until after leagues do the same
 - Melrose introduced player evaluation software and methods (Team Genius)
 - DEMO: March 3rd Board meeting
 - Report out from Leagues Committee meeting (2/2/2020)
 - Potential new town-based league (TBD)
 - Increased interest in cross-league play starting with HS age groups
 - NOTE: TC's asked to poll HS teams and permit capabilities to host and bring info to placement meeting so Rich can think about how/where/when to schedule
 - Request of MassRef to hold more re-certification classes
 - Status on credential printing in Stack Sports U.S. Soccer Connect
 - Use of player pass at MTOC (unanimous "NO" from other leagues)
 - MYSL's MTOC roles and responsibilities (Continue for March meeting)

- **Report out from TC's on Feedback from Town Boards**
 - Picture rosters in place of pass cards for Spring '20
 - Billerica, Chelmsford, Tewksbury, Lowell, Burlington, Somerville not interested due to referees and opposing coaches possessing pictures and names of kids (especially refugees or protected children)
 - Waltham, Charlestown, Melrose, Wilmington, Malden, Stoneham ambivalent
 - FINAL: as a league there was insufficient interest to require picture rosters
 - Unrelated request for Shawn: can suspensions be reflected in ref assignment? Ray will ask.
 - Mass Youth Workshop – Great feedback, one request to bring urban outreach to towns
- **MYSL towns Intending to attend Mass Youth AGM on March 14, 2020**
 - Lowell – 2-3
 - Charlestown – 1
 - Billerica – unknown
 - Waltham – 1
 - Medford – 1
 - Burlington – 2
 - Melrose – 3
 - Tewksbury – 3-4
 - Somerville – 2
 - Chelmsford – 1
 - Wilmington – 3
 - Stoneham – 0
 - Malden – 1
 - Everett – 1
 - Reading – unknown
 - Soccer Without Borders – 1
 - Westford – unknown
 - Registrars/risk managers for U.S. Soccer Connect topic
 - Other Board members for Zero Tolerance topic

3. Secretary's Report (Brian Treanor) –not present

Dec '19 and Jan '20 Minutes distributed by Joe Boucher

*Moved by Jim Donahue with 2nd by Ray Halleran to approve the Dec '19 and Jan '20 meeting minutes.
Motion Passed with 1 abstention.*

4. Treasurer's Report (Steve Lane) – see e-mail 2/4/2020 from Joe Boucher

*Moved by Ray Halleran with 2nd by Tim Delaney to accept the Treasurer's Report.
Motion Passed with 1 abstention*

- **Discussion ensued regarding the MYSL 2020 budget. There are two outstanding questions:**
 - What will be the length of the Fall '20 and Spring '21 seasons.
 - Will there be any changes to team fees? (see Referee Coordinator's report re: Referee Fees)
 - No changes to team fees anticipated
- **The Finance Restoration Committee will have their first meeting the week following Feb BOD meeting.**

5. VP Administration's Report (Joe Boucher) – no report

6. VP Development/Competition's Report (Ken Antonucci)

7. Registrar's Report (Mary Rogers) –

- **Spring '20 Placement issues:**
 - Are there any towns with outstanding fines or penalties?
 - Are there any teams submitted without players or coaches?
 - Are there any teams submitted without approved releases/waivers?
- **Fall '20 Registration dates are to be determined.**

8. Boys Commissioner's Report (Mary Packard) – no report

9. Girls Commissioner's Report (Tim Delaney) – no report

10. Referee Coordinator's Report (Ray Halleran) –

- **Status of referee and assignor certifications**
 - Typically 500 refs certify, currently only 250 (incl 3 assignors not yet re-certified)
 - Numerous requests to MSRC for more recert classes.
 - NOTE: As of 2/15/20 several more recert classes were added and Ray sent multiple emails across MYSL to alert referees
- **Pre-Season Referee Meeting scheduled for Wilmington MS. Dates and times TBD**
- **No changes expected to referee fees.**

11. Statistician's Report (Rich Buck) – no report received

12. Protest Officer's Report (Shaun Driscoll) – no report received

13. Webmaster's Report (Nelson Amaya) – no report received

14. Past President's Report (Shawn McCarthy) – no report received

15. Sportsmanship Committee's Report (Bill Rowe, Shaun Driscoll)

Lop sided games policy discussion took place. The following schedule was agreed upon for further disposition on this matter:

- *Deadline for comments = 2/21/2020*
- *Final policy distributed = 2/24/2020*
- *Vote on new policy = 3/3/2020*

16. Competition Committee's Report (Ken Antonucci) – no report received

17. Age Directors' Reports– no reports

18. TOPSoccer Report (Caryn Goulet) – no report

19. NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rich Buck presented recommendations for changes to the MYSL BOD vacancy policy

All edits and suggestions for changes should be submitted to Rich Buck to be presented at the March meeting.

MYSL BOD Openings

Boys 5/6 D1 & D2 Age Director

Boys 5/6 D3 – D5 Age Director

Girls 7/8 D3-D5 Age Director

Coaching Education Opportunities (contact Tamie Endow: tendow@mayouthsoccer.org)

- Sun, March 1st United Soccer Coaches 7v7/9v9 Diploma Course (for Women only, HS and college female players strongly encouraged to attend)
 - Boston University 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM
 - <https://portal.unitedsoccercoaches.org/s/lt-event?site=a0d6A000001GUuxQAG&id=a1U3u000001IuVMEA0>
 - Cost: \$25 for current college student-athletes and \$80 for all other attendees (**use coupon code FSC3120D to receive the discount pricing of \$25.**)
- Sat, March 7th US Soccer Grassroots 4v4 License Course (Carlisle)
- Sat, March 14th US Soccer Grassroots 7v7 License Course (S. Hamilton)
- Sat, March 28th US Soccer Grassroots 11v11 License Course (Arlington)

MYSL Calendar (thank you Rich!) – outstanding dates

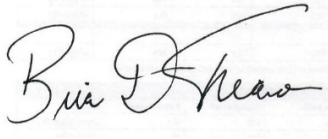
- Spring '20 Pre-Season Coaches Meeting
 - Caryn will create a DRAFT and bring to March meeting
 - Possibly record and/or hold live webinars
 - One for new coaches ("101" approach)

- One for returning coaches
- Town presidents responsible for promoting/showing

20. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn this meeting (moved Ray Halleran 2nd by Tim Delaney ; motion approved unanimously) at 9:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian D. Treanor". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brian" and last name "Treanor" clearly legible.

Brian D. Treanor
Secretary
Middlesex Youth Soccer League