

WYSA BOD Meeting Minutes

Board Members:

TJ Lawrence	Holly Fitzgerald	Brian Mahnken	
Dennis Marasca	Josh Klein	Crystal	
O'Keefe	Tristan Warburg	Blessing Chimwanda	Tess
Landry	Brad Hazel Fookes	Richard Pereira	Rebb
Delleo			
Michael Geldart	Melissa Fiore	Kristen Menzone	
Adam Skelskie	Chris Montgomery	Michael	
Vassalo	Daniel Buckelew		

Coaching and Development:

John Bavota	James Payne
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**Sunday, November 2nd @ 6pm
Wilmington Fourth of July Building**

Alexa Kelly: Boston Legacy Presentation

- Alexa is a WHS 2021 alumni who is currently a sales rep with the Boston Legacy.
- Boston Legacy will play at Gillette before moving to a permanent stadium at in J.P. at White Stadium.
- Boston Legacy are partnering with Boston Public Schools for community outreach and would like to partner with other local organizations
- Alexa presented on different options for nights out and membership options.
 - Seating options and opportunities
 - Sell 50 tickets and get to high five athletes coming out of the tunnel
 - Sell 75 tickets = sit at the warm-up benches
 - Sell 100+ tickets = participate in warm ups
 - Group tickets around \$35/kid. Could potentially do a kickback for fundraising
 - Youth group tickets are typically corner tickets
 - Season runs from March to October with playoffs in November
 - Season tickets start at \$405/ticket up
 - Ticket exchange program for up to 6 tickets, similar to the Revs
- There is a soccer engagement coordinator for WYSA events if we move forward purchasing tickets

Motion for up to \$3,000 for up to 4 season tickets to the Boston Legacy
Motioned by Crystal O'Keefe, 2nd by Kristen Menzone
The motion passes unanimously.

Executive Director Reports:

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President: TJ Lawrence

- TJ appreciated the BODs time and effort
- Fall went well apart from the uniforms
 - Uniforms came from Champion Sports in Belmont
 - \$43/uniform without shipping since TJ picked them up
 - acknowledged there is a sizing issue with some
- Before PPEs there will be a fitting day
- Female short style was picked because of all sizes available, moving forward this won't be an issue because there won't be a time crunch to order by.
- Veo was used for most teams this season. Some teams have had video review nights.
 - Veo is crediting the WYSA account because of an issue with numbers higher than 25 not being picked up by the system.
- 11/19/2025 is the general meeting at WMS then to Rocco's.
- Packets will be sent out for compiling information for the meeting.
- All WYSA BOD is returning besides TJ and Brian who have hit their term limit.
 - 2 potential new BOD members interested.

Secretary: Crystal O'Keefe

Motion to approve the meetings from July 2025 and September 2025.

Motioned by Crystal O'Keefe, 2nd by Melissa Fiore

The motion passes with 14 in favor, 2 abstain, 0 dissent.

Redacted Google Drive account will be sent to Tristan.

VP of Admin: Holly Fitzgerald

No updates.

VP of Development: Brian Mahnken

No updates.

Treasure: Dennis Marasca

- Discussed financial reports for August and September
 - Around \$365,000 in the account
 - September financials are down a bit due to expenses of ECYSA fees
 - CD was renewed in September at 4.01% for 6 months
- Draft of the tax return will be sent soon.
- Dennis mentions how there has been recent embezzlement investigations in local organizations and to remind BOD to monitor their budget and line items since it is the responsibility of the whole WYSA BOD to account for financials.

Motion to approve the August 2025 financial reports

Motioned by Dennis Marasca, 2nd by Tristan Warburg

The motion passes unanimously.

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Motion to approve the September 2025 financial reports

Motioned by Dennis Marasca, 2nd by Blessing Chimwanda

The motion passes 12 in favor, 4 abstain, zero dissent

Board Reports:

Travel: Mike Geldart, Chair

- New uniforms sizes are accurate, don't order based on score
 - Mike will reach out to coaches to try to replace players if the size was ridiculously large
 - Mike will place an order in November for about a dozen uniforms
 - T-shirts are thin material so should be more grey to be less transparent moving forward
 - Other quotes for companies were obtained so we could have options
- G4 especially but there was a rocky start for the season
 - We will see how it shakes out in the Spring with ECYSA
- 3 WYSA requested reschedules & 1 player pass this season = lower ECYSA fees
- HS travel registration now \$150 (\$25 higher) late fee \$180 and late starts day after PPE
- Current registration has one team each with a max of 22 players
 - G10 boys - 14 players
 - PG Boys - 13 players
 - G10 Girls - 11 girls
- Can reach out to other towns (N. Reading) but can extend the deadline too
- Mike will send out an email about not needing PPEs
- Score sent an invoice for in-town, pushing back on 3rd grade order WYSA tried to cancel, 3rd invoice was for coaches team & coach paid WYSA
- On WYSA website ref fees
 - 4 games = reimburse course fee
 - 10 games = reimburse referee uniform
 - * needs to be fixed on website to talk out the reimburse of referee uniform. Tristan will fix this.

In-town: Chris Montgomery, Chair

- No practice/game needed to be reschedule
- Patch day went well
- Only 2 coaches didn't give any player rankings
 - See if James & BOD can put eyes on some players because big disparity in good players
- Uniforms - bunch of left over ones from score so Chris will look into how they can use them.
- Spring registration is live. Crystal will make a QR code - Josh will send the link to Crystal
- HS & Michael mentors coming on Saturday has been awesome

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Fundraising & Sponsorship: Richard Pereira, coordinator

- 3v3 tournament update:
 - 16 teams played
 - 3 champions will get shirts
- 2/7/2026 Mass Youth will hold a 9v9 clinic at Gillette
- Mainely Grass wrote a \$2,000 check for sponsorship

Fields: Tess Landry

- Winterizing the week of 11/10/2025
 - James can meet the town
- 2 outdoor motion lights at Shawsheen went up but they are pretty dim so Tess will see if she can adjust the settings
- People are putting stuff into the dumpster. It will be locked
- Annual meeting permit was sent in
- Questions on the Sullivan Field (across from Real McCoys)

Webmaster: Tristan Warburg, coordinator

- Tristan will update the website

Registrar: Josh Klein

- In-town Spring registration open
- Futsol:
 - 3rd and 4th grade boys and girls are full

WFC & Beyond Tops: Blessing Chimwanda, coordinator

- TOPS more successful with the WHS teams helping
- WFC Danvers Indoor times are booked and posted

Board Reports:

New Business:

- Question poised on whether BOD members could coach for WFC. Currently the bylaws don't allow it.

Motion to move the new bylaw recommendation to a vote at the Annual General membership meeting

Motioned by Rich Pereira, second by Melissa Fiore

Motion passes: 15 in favor, 1 abstain, 0 dissent.

Current bylaws:

1. To foster, encourage and engage in athletic and recreational activities and more specifically to foster, encourage and engage in the playing of the sport of soccer; and to foster and promote the qualities of physical fitness, competitive and spirited team play, loyalty and

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good sportsmanship by providing soccer instruction to its member families and by making available to them opportunities to participate in team competition both on an intramural basis and against teams from other communities; and, in furtherance of the foregoing purposes, to purchase, rent, accept as donations or otherwise acquire real estate, equipment and other property, solicit and accept all types of contributions, and maintain a volunteer Board of Directors and advisory and coaching staff, including paid positions as voted upon by the Board of Directors. In no event shall a current Board of Directors member or their family receive pay or compensation for advisory or coaching positions.

Proposed Bylaws change:

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- WFC ID clinic has been free but discussion on whether or not we want to keep it free or charge. Last year we charged \$120. They are 6 week mini sessions.
 - WYSA BOD determined that John and James should define the purpose of this clinic more first (ie. ID event or a clinic)
- [Soccer.com](https://www.soccer.com/) is used by some local teams for a fan store.
 - Options change with the season
 - Parents and WYSA orders get enrolled in “go points” and earns points
 - Also comes with 10% off

Motion to adjourn November 2nd WYSA board meeting
Motioned by Crystal O’Keefe, 2nd by Melissa Fiore
The motion passes unanimously.