



**Wilmington Youth Soccer Association**

February 5, 2023 @ 6:00 PM  
4<sup>th</sup> of July Building

**MEETING MINUTES**

<p>Richard Pereira  TJ Lawrence  Megan Najarian  Brian Mahnken  Michael Geldart  Nate Tarin  Blessing Chimwanda  Crystal O'Keefe  Holly Fitzgerald  Tristan Warburg  Frank DiGiovanni  Dennis Marasca  Melissa Fiore – late arrival 6:09pm  Ed White – late arrival 7:03pm</p> <p>James Payne</p> <p>*****</p> <p>Bo Brugel – late arrival</p> <p>Chris Montgomery  Melissa Goldstein  Carol Hughes  Carl Hartford  John Bavota</p>	<p><b><u>12 voting members present at start 6:06pm</u></b></p>
<p><b><u>Executive Director Reports:</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Time:</u></b></p>
<p><b>President:</b> Richard Pereira  Welcome to 2023</p> <p>Good amount of pl not present today; holding off on introduction of board members to new board members</p> <p>Essex intro:</p>	<p>6:06pm</p>

<p>2 hrs after last board mtg we received appeal from MA Youth; MA Youth replied back to Karen in Middlesex there was nothing to appeal; if they want they could file grievance (with one party)</p> <p>No identified grievance at this time; would likely be against Essex and not WYSA MA Youth looking into own processes around towns moving leagues (per Dean)</p>	
<p><b>Secretary:</b> Megan Najarian</p> <p>Approve January 2023 board minutes</p> <p><b>VOTE:</b> Megan motion; Nate second 13:0:0</p>	6:10pm
<p><b>VP Development:</b> TJ Lawrence</p> <p><b><u>Updates/Accomplishments:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· PCD Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Proposed Committee Members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ TJ Lawrence – VP Dev</li> <li>§ John Bavota - DOC</li> <li>§ James Payne - ADOC</li> <li>§ Melissa Fiore - Travel</li> <li>§ Blessing Chimwanda – Intown</li> <li>§ Megan Najarian – At Large</li> </ul> </li> <li>o Couple of spots still open if interested – also let me know if you know of any non-BoD members who would be interested</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>VOTE:</b> TJ motion to accept identified members; Megan second 12:0:1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Champion Soccer School at Shawsheen <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Registration doing well – 77 and 71 for full weeks, 50 for partial week</li> <li>o Expecting ~100 players each full week</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Rich question on who it’s marketed to: TJ – all towns Registering through Charles on his website Posted on their FB ... but not on ours John posted on Instagram</p> <p>Mike – Could we remind coaches to share with teams? TJ asks for another blast in couple weeks No cap at this time – enough staff and space</p> <p>Blessing asked if WYSA gets anything; TJ discussing with them as they’re using our permits</p>	6:13pm-6:20pm
<p><b>VP Admin:</b> Ed White</p> <p>Ed not present – Rich asked if board knows anyone outside of board that could participate please let Ed know</p>	6:20pm

WFC committee meeting scheduled for 2/7/23

- Was scheduled for last week but had to be moved due to scheduling conflicts

#### Scholarship Committee

- See attached WYSA Scholarship Criteria document for background
- 5 scholarships for \$1,000 each
  - One male; one female; 3 with no gender requirement
- Scholarship Committee membership
  - 6 members
    - WYSA President (non-voting member)
    - 3 WYSA Board members; VP Admin and two at-large BoD members; 2 non-BoD volunteers
      - Megan N and Crystal O are my BoD nominees
      - Volunteers must not be related to, or have close relationships with any scholarship candidates
    - BoD needs to vote to approve Scholarship Committee members
      - Soliciting recommendations for non-BoD members
      - Will present committee recommendation for vote at March BoD meeting
- Timeline:
  - March BoD meeting - approve Committee members
  - March:
    - Committee kick off meeting ‘
    - Scholarship applications sent to WHS and posted to website & socials
  - April:
    - Mid-April deadline (currently 4/24/23) for scholarship applications
    - Mid to late April: Committee reviews & validates applications, scores essays, updates scoring master file
    - Committee meets to determine recommendation for WYSA BoD
  - May:
    - Committee presents recommendation to WYSA BoD for vote
    - VP Admin notifies WHS contact of winners names
  - June
    - VP Admin attends WHS Scholarship Awards night to present to recipients
    - non-WHS winners (if any) are notified via email the same night

**Treasurer:** Bo Brugel

Bo not present – no update

Wrapping up Dec financials; first patrol checks coming out Tuesday through 3<sup>rd</sup> party payroll

Dennis and Bo worked with company

Set to recur and Bo has payroll calendar with email reminder of pre-payroll events

6:24pm

WFC payments through payroll – and we want to get in standard payroll to save money	
<b><u>Board Reports:</u></b>	
<p><b>Travel:</b> Brian Mahnken</p> <p>Spring 43 teams – 4 HS teams  Placement with league submitted  As town coordinator – feedback from age directors; discussions with towns to sort out  This Tue age directors meet  Following week final placement meeting</p> <p>All teams in Sport Manager  Now that HS teams can do 22 ... U14 teams can do 22  HS teams announced; 5 cuts; no feedback  Tewksbury reached out if they can take kids for 9/10 – Brian to talk to their town coordinator and deal with coordination</p> <p>New registrations – 6  One Dennis contacted and no response  Another 4th grade girl came up today – if accepted would need to move up</p> <p>2 movements on rosters as bottom teams ‘at max’  Girls 5/6 (will move a 5<sup>th</sup> grader up)  Boys 5/6 (even though 3 boys never showed up in Spring they have a spot on the roster; will move 6<sup>th</sup> grader up)</p> <p>Need exception for town policy  U10 max 13  Middlesex 15  If we can comply with league we can create exception  Our max is lower but we want to have rosters up to what league is up to</p> <p>We need clarification if travel sub-committee is anonymous  Brian – nothing in policy either way</p> <p>VOTE:  Travel sub-comm 2023-2024 (11 members)  Brian Mahnken – (leading group)  TJ  Mike G.  Melisa F  Nate Tarin  Chris Montgomery (intown)  Jeff Goldstein  Megan N  Mike King  Rob DeDellio  John  James</p>	6:27pm

<p>Brian motion; Mike G. second 13:0:0</p> <p>Dennis – HS coach reached out for CORI process for kdis over 18 (Dave) If 18 during season Brian to get link for Dennis</p> <p>Travel Subcommittee Motion</p>	
<p><b>Fundraising:</b> Crystal O’Keefe / Holly Fitzgerald</p>	0
<p><b>Travel Refs:</b> Nate Tarin</p>	0
<p><b>Intown:</b> Carl Hartford – Blessing presented</p> <p><b><u>Updates/Accomplishments:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spring Registration - Late fee will begin 2/15/21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ 330 players, 46 coaches as of 2/4/23 – <i>trending higher # coaches &amp; players than previous season</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 310 players, 34 coaches as of 2/1/22</li> <li>▪ Boys 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: 48 players, 5 coaches</li> <li>▪ Boys 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: 37 players, 4 coaches</li> <li>▪ Boys Kinder: 46 players, 8 coaches</li> <li>▪ Boys PreK: 38 players, 4 coaches</li> <li>▪ Girls 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: 35 players, 4 coaches</li> <li>▪ Girls 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: 43 players, 6 coaches</li> <li>▪ Girls Kinder: 46 players, 6 coaches</li> <li>▪ Girls PreK: 37 players, 9 coaches</li> </ul> </li> <li>◦ 219 players, 35 coaches as of 1/6/23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Significant increase from 2022: 155 players, 26 coaches as of 1/4/22</li> </ul> </li> <li>◦ Will send late fee reminder to membership in coming week</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Late fee notice to be sent prior to the 15<sup>th</sup> Recognize holding off on team formation and trying to keep teams smaller</p>	6:37pm
<p><b>Field &amp; Buildings:</b> Frank DiGiovanni</p> <p>16<sup>th</sup> coming to do locks; keys available afterwards</p>	6:42pm
<p><b>Merchandise / Concession:</b> Carol Hughes – not present</p>	0
<p><b>Webmaster:</b> Tristan Warburg</p>	5
<p><b>Registrar:</b> Dennis Marasca</p> <p>Registration for: Another FC ID clinic for boys</p>	6:43

<p>April vacation clinic Coach education</p> <p>Futsal session 2 for Feb 18<sup>th</sup></p> <p>Board mbrs intown kids for registration – email Dennis</p> <p>Last round FC payment charged 2/1</p>	
<p><b>TD &amp; ATD:</b> John Bavota</p> <p>Coach search update</p> <p><b>Coach Education:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide updated Course schedule for United Soccer Coaches Grassroots and Licenses - <a href="https://www.mayouthsoccer.org/coaches/upcoming-education-courses/">https://www.mayouthsoccer.org/coaches/upcoming-education-courses/</a></li> <li>• WYSA Coach Education Clinic set for <b>March 25th</b> at Yentile - Ready for open Registration ..., registration open this week; Rich put in Yentile permit</li> </ul> <p><b>WYSA Seasonal Clinics and Programs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WYSA Winter 23' Session ONE Futsal ends <b>February 12th</b> - Registration = <b>MAX</b> - Session TWO begins <b>February 19th</b> - Registration = 54</li> <li>• April 4-Day Clinic set for <b>4/17-4/20</b> - Ready for open registration ... rained out 2 days last year; Rich says should get permit for Yentile if needed; Shawsheen planned location</li> <li>• July 3-Day Clinic set for <b>7/25-7/27</b> - Registration opens soon</li> <li>• August 4-Day Clinic set for <b>8/21-8/24</b> - Registration opens soon</li> <li>• Summer Day Camps w/ <b>Champions Soccer School</b> -<a href="https://www.championsoccerschool.com/">https://www.championsoccerschool.com/</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Wildcats Football Club:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WFC Winter Junior Academy to help identify new players born 2013s—&gt;2016s set for <b>Thursday, February 9th</b> at DIS in Wilmington. Due to popularity an additional session for Boys birth year 2015s + 2016s scheduled for Tuesday, March 14th at DIS in Wilmington</li> <li>• Winter Speed and Agility Training - XP University at DIS in Wilmington (about 5 players form each team scheduled to attend)</li> <li>• WFC Spring Tryouts - <b>June 5th and June 8th (Mon &amp; Thurs)</b></li> <li>• Coach Hire for Fall 23' Season (Boys 2014 team). Searching... looking for more coaches for potential expansion ... good presently with Zack and Hannah</li> <li>• Wildcats Football Club competes in NECSL Fall 23'</li> </ul> <p>Megan asked if coaches stick with age group or cohort of kids ... James answered in most cases stick with age group and kids move on to new coaching staff</p>	<p>6:45</p>
<p><b><u>New Business:</u></b></p>	
<p>ECYSA – Status &amp; Discussion on messaging to membership</p> <p>Email distributed notifying membership of change; no response over email with concern Messaging continues to be for betterment of team/players</p>	<p>6:52pm</p>

2023 Budget Review # 1 (Budget Review #2 and Motion in March 2023 meeting) Not ready for review	6:51pm
Mellisa motion to move to Exec session; Tristan 2 <sup>nd</sup> 13:0:0	
<b><u>Executive Session:</u></b>	
<b><u>Adjourn:</u></b>	
Motion to Adjourn	1
<b><u>Next Meeting: Sunday, March 5, 2023 @ 6pm Location = 4<sup>th</sup> of July Building</u></b>	1

### WYSA Administrative Calendar

January 8, 2023	January BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
February 5, 2023	February BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
March 5, 2023	March BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
April 2, 2023	April BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
April 17-21, 2023	April Vacation Soccer Clinic – Yentile Turf
April 26, 2023	Spring 2020 Picture Day (tentative date with NESP)
April 23, 2023	2023 Scholarship Deadline
May 7, 2023	May BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
May 14-18, 2023	Travel PPE's
June 4, 2023	Parents Night Out – Cornhole Tournament – Tewksbury Elks (tentative date)
June 7, 2023	June BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
June 19-21, 2023	MYSL Commissioner's Cup – Tentatively U10 & U12 in Wilmington
June 25, 2023 (Tentative date)	July BOD Meeting – Travel Placements
August 2023	Summer Evening PDP's
August 27, 2023	September BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
September 17, 2023	Field Day 2023 – 3v3 Tournament
September 27, 2023	Fall 2020 Picture Day (tentative date with NESP)
October 1, 2023	October BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
November 5, 2023	November BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
November 15, 2023	WYSA Annual General Meeting – Give 10+ Day Notice
December 3, 2023	December BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
January 7, 2024	January BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
February 4, 2024	February BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
March 3, 2024	March BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
March 31, 2024	April BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
May 5, 2024	May BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building