



# Wilmington Youth Soccer Association

Sunday, June 2, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

## Meeting Minutes

<p><b>Present:</b>  Brad Hazel-Fookes  Chris Montgomery  Daniel Buckelew  Dennis Marasca  Megan Najarian  Richard Pereira  Michael Geldart  Brian Mahnken  Holly Fitzgerald  Josh Klein  Frank DiGiovanni</p> <p><b>Late Arrival (~7:30pm)</b>  TJ Lawrence  James Payne  John Bavota</p> <p><b>Not Present:</b>  Stephen Machatha  Tristan Warburg  Blessing Chimwanda  Crystal O'Keefe  Rob Delleo  Melissa Fiore</p> <p><b><u>Executive Director Reports:</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Time:</u></b></p>
<p><b>President: Rich P.</b></p> <p>Welcome  Jamboree coming up – need help of board (later in meeting)  Need to schedule July meeting for end of June</p>	<p>7:05pm</p>
<p><b>Secretary: Megan N.</b>  May 2024 board minutes were initially distributed on 5/5; no feedback or recommended changes  Redistributed on 6/2 for any final review prior to board meeting</p> <p><b>Motion to approve the May 2024 WYSA Board meeting minutes by Megan; Brian second</b>  <b>11:0:0</b></p>	

<p><b>VP Development: TJ Lawrence</b></p> <p><b>U10 Jamboree Update</b>  Mark/Kevin will both be there present – not much additional ECYSA support  Flags/power nets need to be put up  Field 7 frames need to be moved  Mike to send out schedule to all grade 3 &amp; 4 parents; remind people about carpooling as parking will be challenging</p> <p>At Jamboree, Per Rich –  Plan is to raffle off 4 Revs tickets and have 50/50  Rich will get in touch with Crystal (not present at meeting)</p> <p>Dennis made a suggestion that we could have a water bottle sale at center of field so people don't have to walk to concessions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· ECYSA Jamboree <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Plans are set for ECYSA Jamboree on June 8.</li> <li>§ Lining company potentially coming Wednesday for the 4 additional fields</li> <li>§ 3 Additional Port – a – potties scheduled for that day (per Frank)</li> <li>§ Concessions has been stocking up</li> <li>§ 108 games scheduled – 1<sup>st</sup> game at 7:30AM, last game ends 6:30PM</li> <li>§ 9 fields will be in use</li> <li>§ Parking will be a significant challenge</li> <li>§ Need Board help as much as possible throughout the day.</li> </ul> </li> <li>· Champion Soccer School Camp <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Registration Open</li> <li>o Grades: Rising K-8</li> <li>o Schedule: 5 weeks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ June 24-28</li> <li>▪ July 1 - 3 (no camp Th/Fri) – Finishing Camp (scoring focus)</li> <li>▪ July 8-12 Elite camp grades 4-8</li> <li>▪ July 15-19</li> <li>▪ July 22-26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ 9AM – 3PM; Half day option for K-1<sup>st</sup> grade</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>o Every week over 85 players, most approaching 100</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Topic initially skipped until TJ arrived</p>
<p><b>Treasurer: Dennis Marasca</b></p> <p>Dennis distributed April 2024 financials beginning of week for board review</p> <p>We did not have a lot of revenue in month; first registrations hit May 1  Some FC clinic income  Couple April camp  May will be much better month  WFC practice time \$7K; coach payments; regular payroll  Abnormality/low point of year  Open up intown soon for Fall  No concerns we don't get back on track with upcoming months</p> <p><b>Motion to approve April 2024 financial by Frank; Brian M. second 11:00</b></p> <p>Dennis working with Brian for scholarship payments (last year's payments)</p>	
<p><b>VP Admin: Brian M.</b></p> <p>- Scholarship committee established (via email vote, thank you all.)</p>	

<p>- We didn't make the official awards program for designation of winners.</p> <p>- Committee is actively reviewing essays and applications. Scoring is underway. Group is secure first four scholarships; committee to meet Wednesday 6/5 to decide on 5<sup>th</sup>;</p> <p>- Goal is to present award nominations and submit on virtual vote after committee meets</p>	
<p><b><u>Board Reports:</u></b></p>	
<p><b>Travel: Mike G.</b></p> <p>Spring 2024 season update &amp; Placement Process update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● PPEs a success, thank you to everyone who chipped in to help organize and evaluate!</li> <li>● Coach Roster meetings this past week. Re-format with players ranked team by team according to coach feedback was well received. Previously all teams mixed in rank – this year each team was presented with rank – went much smoother.</li> <li>● Teams who have qualified for playoffs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Girls 6-1 Storm MTOC1-1 *2nd in division</li> <li>○ Girls 6-3 Rockets County1-3 *2nd in division</li> <li>○ Girls 8-1 Spirit MTOC1-1 *1st in division</li> <li>○ Girls 7-1 Courage MTOC1-2 *1st in division</li> <li>○ Boys PG Wildcats MTOC1 *4th in division</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Discussion around how the group felt about the first year with Essex. Far fewer teams going to Championships than in the best; higher level of competition - many on board felt this was a good thing. Megan brought up it is likely good with competition in higher ranked teams, but there are some feelings lower division teams were not as successful and may be reflected in teams disliking the move to Essex. Group talked about how some teams traveling over an hour only to be beat by large differentials. Group talked about whether we poll parents – but decision was to wait another year then maybe consider a survey to collect feedback.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● TSC meetings kick off this week.</li> <li>● Coach feedback surveys have been sent out. – due 6/15 – already received about 50 surveys back.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Travel &amp; Intown Refs:</b></p>	
<p>No updates</p>	
<p><b>Intown: Chris M.</b></p> <p>Spring 2024 season update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Intown schedule:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Additional Intown day on <b>Saturday, May 25</b> had around 75% attendance. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Very little consolidation in PreK and Kinder.</li> <li>▪ Coaches very cooperative in team consolidation for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd.</li> <li>▪ Perfect weather!</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Additional PreK / Kinder day happening on <b>Monday, June 10 at 5:30pm.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Availability seems good.</li> <li>▪ Will consolidate teams and coaches as needed.</li> <li>▪ Arranging opponents this week – teams will play a team they missed in the first two weeks.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ 1<sup>st</sup> Grade and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade last practice (<b>June 11 and 14</b>) changed to game day. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Arranging opponents this week – taking into account missed weeks and consolidation on Memorial Weekend.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>7:28</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Grade 1 on Tuesday will have 9 games at the same time (boys and girls) – new Bownets ordered to cover shortfall.</li> <li>▪ Assuming no other cancelations, PreK will have played all 8 scheduled games and everyone else will have played 8 of 9.</li> <li>• <b>Fall Registration:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Working with Josh to finalize parameters in enrollment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 3-year-olds enrolling with false DOB. – per Chris looking to add language in registration to emphasize this guideline</li> <li>▪ Removing XS as a uniform option.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Will send registration email to membership.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Player Rankings:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Will send out individualized evaluation docs to Kinder and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade coaches by next week.</li> <li>▪ Using 1 to 5 ranking system - seemed to be effective in the fall. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Anecdotally – lots of competitive games in Grades 1 and 2 and no teams especially far behind the others.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Uniforms and equipment:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Patch Day was June 1. TOTAL SUCCESS!!!!</li> <li>▪ Will do uniform and ball inventory in coming weeks.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Fundraising &amp; Sponsorships:</b> No update	5
<b>Sportsmanship Coordinator:</b> No update	5
<b>Field &amp; Buildings: Frank</b> 3 porta johns coming this week for Jamoree Cutting grass Friday Painting Wednesday	7:40
<b>Concessions &amp; Merchandise:</b> No update	5
<b>Webmaster:</b> No update	5
<b>Registrar: Josh</b> Working on registration Credit card fee to register is the same as last year Next yr credit card fee going up	5
<b>Wildcat FC &amp; TOPS Coordinator:</b> No update	5
<b>TD &amp; ATD: John Bavota</b> Spring 2024 season update Will be sending out Coach education certs; mostly online Summer PDPs/August clinic registration open up this week 8/5 start PDP; 12 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> August clinic Gus Savage goalkeeper clinic	5

<p>Private additional services (Noah – Tuf Football) program in summer; John offers private sessions as well but this enhances WYSA offerings  John will be offering Fall pre-season coach education clinic for intown/travel  Make-up PDPs and skills this week  Tryouts for WFC this week; Monday – Wednesday</p> <p>Michael McCarthy intern – can we acknowledge him in some other way for having gone above and beyond? Internship ended last Friday</p> <p>Frank motion to offer intern Michael McCarthy a \$500. Award for his exemplary performance and contribution as an intern with WYSA; Dennis 2<sup>nd</sup>  12:0:0</p> <p>Dennis question to John – Can we get something in writing for what is owed to WFC coach?  John to take-away</p>	
<b><u>New Business:</u></b>	
Jamboree – WCTV – available to provide coverage on June 8 <sup>th</sup>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allow for coaches to be HC of 2 teams? ECYSA allows, WYSA does not. Do we allow only in certain circumstances (lack of volunteers)?</li> </ul> <p>Can it be allowed that a coach get two teams?  Group discussion identified that the board vote is final approval and exceptions can be identified and brought forth for consideration;  Group wants to maintain current travel policy as they didn't want to open the door for some coaches automatically qualifying for two teams and taking on; exceptions should be in situations where no team coverage/support identified and board must agree that the individual can, and should, take on two teams</p>	
<b><u>Executive Session:</u></b>	
<b><u>Adjourn:</u></b>	
Motion to Adjourn by TJ; Second by Frank 12:0:0	8:26pm

## WYSA Administrative Calendar

June 1, 2024	Patch Day – Intown Soccer
June 2, 2024	June BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
June 8, 2024	Jamboree – U10 – ECYSA @ Shawsheen
June 2024	ECYSA Playoffs – Various locations
June 2024	MTOC 2024 – Lancaster, MA
June 19, 2024 (Tentative date)	July BOD Meeting – Travel Placements
July 2024	CSC Camps @ Woburn Street Fields
August 2024	Summer Evening PDPs – WYSA
August 2024	Summer Day Camp - WYSA
August 25, 2024	September BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building – 7pm

September 29, 2024	3v3 Tournament & Field Day Event
October 6, 2024	October BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
October 18, 2024	WYSA & WFC Night @ Revs
November 3, 2024	November BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
November 20, 2024	WYSA Annual General Meeting – Wilmington Middle School - Give 10+ Day Notice
December 1, 2024	December BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
January 5, 2025	January BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
February 2, 2025	February BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building
March 2, 2025	March BOD Meeting @ 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Building