WILMINGTON YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES



Wilmington Youth Soccer Association Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Sunday, October 6^{th,} 2019 4th of July Building, Wilmington, MA. 01887

Directors Present: Sean Broussard (arrived 6:21), Frank DeGiovanni, Nick Howie, Dave O'Mahony, Rich Pereira, Rich Engvaldsen, Billy Long, Darwin Molina, Dave Zaya, Mike King, Nate Tarin, Fernando Marinho, Francesca Driscoll, Jessica Scanlon

Directors Absent: Paul Malvone, Dave Oatis, Chris Parr, Chris Malley

Guests: John Bavota, James Magill

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm II. President Opening Remarks:

- 1. Rich welcomed all to the October meeting;
- 2. We are now half-way through season;
- 3. Several fields at Shawsheen now have lights interested parties should ask Travel about getting time under the lights.

3. Secretary:

a. **Motion:** To accept the board meeting minutes from August 2019, as presented by Dave O', second by Mike; motion passes 12-0-1

- 4. VP of Development a. No updates
- 5. Treasurer

a. **Motion:** To accept the August 2019 financials, as presented by Dave Z., second by Fernando; motion passes 13-0-0;

b. Field Day: Successful event; more money raised than last year

c. **Paid Family Medical Leave Act**: Looks like we are subject to the law as regards our DOC; looking into referees; exemptions

6. VP of Administration

a. **WFC Committee:** Motion by Sean, to add Sean, Nate, Darwin, Dave Doucette and Amy Young (both have experience with club soccer, collegiate soccer, no kids in WFC program), also voting members John Bavota and James Magill, 2nd by Nick, 12-0-2.

7. Travel

- U16/U19 U19 allows the program to be open to college kids; registration now open; try outs will be on 11/16 at Yentile (weather permitting and postseason permitting);
- 2. Season smooth so far;
- Need to address some lopsided games; Commissioner's Cup RFP: Joint proposal with Tewksbury; need subcommittee; maybe wait for new Board; other consideration Lancaster; 1st Tuesday in November; June 20, 21 – Father's Day Weekend; we will need all hands on deck;
- 4. Coach looking to use lit field for make up games; looking for referee input; need to reposition lights and to check fuel

8. Fundraising

a. Pat helped a lot with Field Day; went smoothly.

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9. Travel Refs

- 1. The program has benefitted from getting all of our games covered with the U14 games played with a full crew;
- 2. Darwin talked to one coach about our zero-tolerance policy after an incident (and the coach didn't take it well and resigned);
- 3. Full blown referee training; good feedback; interested in recruiting 13-year-olds; doing games with Darwin from a training perspective; 7 names

identified; Fortier and Healy helping as well; checking about using club linesmen (as opposed to certified referees);

4. Middlesex Youth Soccer sending out email about zero tolerance with referee interaction; sportsmanship problems (excessive celebration); need to

put a stop to it;

5. Lanyards: a little bit of a mess;

10. Intown & Intown Refs

- 1. Numbers up from last year;
- 2. 10/26 patch weekend; 11/2 last weekend for everyone but Pre-k;
- 3. Good referee feedback;
- 4. Concerns about future playability of Field 6 and Field 3 overuse; when we rotate in the Spring that may help; need to monitor lawnmower damage.

11. Fields & Buildings a. No updates;

12. Merchandise

a. We will run online sale through Square Merchandise; minimal inventory at the shack; plan is to have some things; discussion surrounding what level of merchandise is appropriate.

13. Concessions a. No updates

14. Webmaster

- a. Will add online store link to the website;
- b. Breast cancer game will be posted; Sean has flyer.

15. Director of Coaching

- Only one Mass Youth Course available currently; seem to rely on online courses; our inhouse courses will be beneficial; developed own curriculum; educating the coaches on our own; not much different than Mass Youth, but it is tailored; curious why not more certifications;
- Preseason clinic well attended, great numbers; 2 sessions intown and travel; great information exchanged; travel side used WFC activities; new curriculums; using the teams to demonstrate; adding more to session plans; planning on one more session; constantly in conversation with coaches;
- 3. New Pre-k and Kinder curriculum; DOC/ADOC separating and training these sessions; all good feedback;
- 4. PDP numbers are very large; Bill Lanagan and TJ Lawrence helping out;
- 5. WFC: Season ends 11/3; winter training; 3 separate hours; WFC plus juniors; 5 hours on Sunday; John willing to be POC; we will have an extra hour at Billerica B&G Club; not sure about WFC futsal.

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16. New Business

a. Safesports: Down to 5 coaches left; some coaches not getting emails XVII. Executive Session

XVIII. Motion to adjourn by Billy, seconded by Dave Z.; motion passes 14-0-0; leave the meeting at 8:15 pm Respectfully submitted,

David O'Mahony Secretary