

# Wilmington Youth Soccer Association

## *Board of Directors Meeting Minutes*

Sunday October 3, 2021

4<sup>th</sup> of July Building

**Directors Present:** TJ Lawrence, Nate Tarin, Frank DiGiovanni, Ed White, Mike King, Darwin Molina, Carol Hughes, Melissa Fiore, Melissa Goldstein, Dennis Marasca, Blessing Chimwanda, Brian Mahnken, Bo Brugel (Arrived 6:25), Carl Hartford (Arrived 6:08), Jess Scanlon (Arrived 6:20), Fernando Marinho (Arrived 6:12)

Guest: Rob Elliot

**Directors Absent:** Billy Long, Richard Wills

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Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm

### **I. President:**

- A. Opening Remarks: Field coverage is good at Shawsheen but lacking at Yentile, WSS, and Whitefield, need to have board members at these locations as often as possible
- B. Starting to look into BoD members for 2022, several members have expressed interest
  - 1. Mike King will be stepping down as President and BoD member at end of the year
- C. New Business – Potential departure from MYSL

### **II. Secretary:**

- A. Minutes approval postponed to November meeting

### **III. VP of Development**

- A. Winter Futsal Clinics are scheduled with Boy's and Girls Club of Billerica
  - 1. Jan – March
- B. WFC Junior Clinics will be held at Danvers Indoor sports
- C. Looking to offer a sports performance training
- D. Coach's Pickup games at Shawsheen have been going well and have been well attended
- E. Coaches have been reminded to reach out to John and James for assistance with session planning
- F. PCD:
  - 1. Approved change to Prek – extend season to end on same day as other age groups, still start 1 week later.

2. Approve Change to PreK – make more smaller teams and have them play against different teams each week – same as Kinder
  - a) Some concerns over if there is enough coaches, Intown feels we will find the coaches, we have a lot in that age group and possibly getting more coaches at the younger ages helps as the group gets older

**IV. Treasurer:**

- A. Financials are out for review and will be voted on during November meeting
- B. Meeting with accountant to complete 2021

**V. VP of Admin:**

- A. WFC season off to a good start
- B. Raheem Dawes hired as 3<sup>rd</sup> WFC Coach
- C. Winter Training locked in at Danvers Indoor Sports in Wilmington
- D. WFC Night at the Revs on 10/16

**VI. Travel:**

- A. 1<sup>st</sup> full season since COVID going well
- B. MYSL Division placement with no D1 in multiple age groups causing matchup problems and lopsided scores, expect more crossover games as season continues
- C. Several Issues with player conduct, MYSL seems sluggish in enforcing zero tolerance policy
- D. Uniform orders are nearly complete only a handful of outstanding issues remain

**VII. Fundraising:**

**VIII. Travel Refs:**

- A. Ref Shortage Continues, concerns over player/coach/parent behavior keeping good referees out of the game
  1. 25-30% of games are unassigned
  2. Zero Tol Policy needs to be enforced
- B. Looking for ways to recover referees, gathering input from coaches and referees

**IX. Intown**

- A. Fall season going well
- B. Great numbers – excellent attitudes

- C. 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teams are well balanced this season
- D. Some issues in 1<sup>st</sup> grade will be monitored rest of season
- E. Nets at Shawsheen are showing age, looking to put together replacement plan

**X. Intown Refs:**

- A. Lots of interest from 5<sup>th</sup> graders
- B. GRP refs doing well with 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

**XI. Fields & Buildings:**

- A. Yentile 11v11 frame is getting moved even though it is bolted in place
- B. Lights; no option for light rental, highway projects have occupied all equipment
  - 1. Motion: Allocate \$4000 for procurement of 3 used light towers
  - 2. Motion Passes – 16-0-0

**XII. Merchandise/concessions:**

- A. New Staff brought it
- B. New Backpacks orders – old design no longer made
- C. Brought in \$1100 in Credit card purchases and \$360 in cash in September
- D. Ordering BoD Jackets for new members

**XIII. Registrar:**

- A. High School Travel Registration open

**XIV. Webmaster:**

**XV. COVID Officer**

**XVI. Director of Coaching:**

- A. Email update

**XVII. New Business:**

- A. Annual General Meeting Scheduled for Nov 17<sup>th</sup> – Time and Location TBD.

- B. New League Sub-Committee being formed, contact Mike King if interested

Motion by Fernando Marinho Second by Melissa Fiore to go to Executive session passes 16-0-0

**XVIII. Executive session**

- A. Motion to Leave Executive Session Fernando Marinho, 2<sup>nd</sup> By Bo Brugel, Passes 16-0-0

Motion to Adjourn – Fernando Marinho, 2<sup>nd</sup> Melissa Fiore, Passes 16-0-0

**Next meeting:**

November 7th @ 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

TJ Lawrence