

WALTHAM YOUTH SOCCER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Meeting Date: August 24, 2009

Members Present:

Julie Babcock, Jay Babcock, Alison Coates, Kevin Felton, Anna Masciovecchio, Linda Joyce, Jim Bitsoli, Mike Guzzi, Craig Schubert, Segundo Panta, Dan Iodice, Ray Halleran, Dom Cosco

Others Present:

Barbara Carlin

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

President's Report

Mike Guzzi presented the following for the Presidents Report:

Travel league starts Sat. Sept. 12th.

In-Town league starts Sat. Sept. 12th as well. (per Middlesex League)

No new registrations will be accepted after Midnight tonight. (8/24/09)

Travel teams will play on Columbus weekend this year.

U6 play will start on Sunday Sept. 13th at 12:00 pm

Travel Uniforms will be delivered to Veterans Field on Wednesday Aug 26th

Middlesex Coaches Meeting will be on Sept. 2nd 6:30 pm girls 8:00 pm boys at the Woburn Joyce Middle School. (*Locust St. Woburn, MA.*)

WYS Coaches meeting will be on Sept. 3rd at Veterans Field at the concession stand. (*Uniforms will be handed out to coaches at this time. They do have the option to pick them up earlier*)

All 6v6 and 8v8 nets have been replaced this year. 11 v 11 nets will not be replaced this year. (*just repaired*)

Mike will contact the city to approach the Gann Academy to replace the 11 v 11 nets on Field # 1 since we don't use them.

Mike informed everyone that Julie Babcock has 12 tickets for the Revolution game on Sept. 5th that are up for grabs. (*first come, first serve. Contact Julie*)

Division report from the Middlesex League was accepted at the last regular meeting. All teams were accepted as requested except BU14-1 and GU10-1. Both teams were moved up one division.

Charlestown was added this year to the Middlesex League.

Vice President's Report:

Jay Babcock is in the process of updating the WYS Bylaws. Jay will use the Roberts Rules Of Order to update the Bylaws and then present them back to the WYS League for review.

Updates will be given to Jay for review and then incorporating them into the new revision of the Bylaws. Once completed, the new revision can be voted on.

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Treasurer's Report:

Anna Masciovecchio presented the Treasures report from the end of last season
(*prepared by Peggy Landry*)

Balance sheet is available upon request by WYS members.

Jay had questions as to why we are paying for a hotline at the Falzone Shack.
He felt the service was too expensive.

Anna will check with the phone company to see if we can get our phone service
at a cheaper rate.

Jim Bitsoli accepted motion on Treasurer's report. Alison Coates 2nd the motion.
The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

No Treasurer's report was provided this meeting for the Concession Stand.

This past Spring's concession stand was a success. We have a volunteer from
WYS who will do all the scheduling but is not able to do any of the purchasing of
the food. We also have a volunteer to do the Fall season initial run to purchase
food, but we will need someone to take over for the rest of the season.

Mike proposed opening the concession stand on Saturdays from 8:30 am – 5:00
pm. Sundays from 11:30 am – 2:00 pm.

Mike suggested that the volunteers do not bring their kids in the shack to work. It
was a big distraction last season. Kids from the age of 12 and up would be able
to work the shack (***only two at a time should be allowed***)

The bank account needs to be discussed with Waltham Softball. The board
decided it would be best to cut the amount in half and cut Waltham Softball a
check for their portion for the Spring. This Fall, WYS would use their own money
to stock the concession stand and take the amount they make for the season and
then wipe out the account at the end of the Fall and start clean in the Spring with
Waltham Softball.

Secretary's Report:

Craig Schubert presented the Secretary's report as follows:

The minutes for the AGM on 6/24/09 were distributed to all who attended the
meeting. All newly elected offices were listed.

It was noted that the election results were to be filed tonight at the Falzone Field
shack office.

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All WYS Meeting Minutes (*Starting with the June AGM*) will now be posted on the WYS website for anyone to view and download copies as needed.

Registrar's Report:

Alison Coates only has the U6 Registration to finish this year. All other registrations are completed.

Middlesex League Report:

Ray Halleran gave the Middlesex League Report as follows:

US Soccer wants to see more scoring in the U10 division. Net sizes for this division will change from the current 6v6 nets used to the size used for 8v8.

A new rule change per the Middlesex League was put in place this season. All goalkicks, punts, and throws can now go over midfield but can not reach the opposing teams penalty area without being touched first or touching the pitch first.

Ray put a motion on the floor to place a portable toilet at Falzone Field for the duration of Fall Season. Jim Bitsoli 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

New Business:

Mike brought a jersey to the meeting that is reversible for the board to review. It was decided that a lighter weight jersey should be looked into if this option was used.

We will be doing the Tom Lyons "Free Soccer Ball" give away again this season. Flyers will be distributed to the coaches at this years WYS coaches meeting.

Dom Cosco would like to see WYS do some Goal Keeper clinics this Fall. Ray Halleran will look into MPS (*or another club*) to do these clinics.

Ray has been running the WYS referee program for the past 2 years. WYS had one of our youth referees elected as the Youth Referee of the year at this years Commissioner's Cup.

Melissa Higgins is this young referee award recipient.

Julie Babcock made a motion to get Melissa a plaque and \$100.00 gift card.

Alison Coates 2nd it. The motion was approved.

Julie Babcock also made a motion to give a plaque to a WYS young referee every year as part of a new referee recognition program.

Jim Bitsoli 2nd it. The motion was approved.

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Next WYS General Meeting:

Sept. 14th at 7:00 pm at the Falzone Field Shack

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Respectively Submitted,

Craig Schubert
Secretary, WYS