



January 19th, 2017
Kingston Rec Center, 7:00pm

Board Members:

Present: Doug Iracki, Jennifer Yuhas, Mindy Hefron, Ben Miller, Shane Bradley, Brandon Hughes (By Phone), Charlie Evanofski, Kevin Roth

Absent: Will Olyphant

Others In Attendance: na

Call to Order

Doug Iracki, President, called the Meeting to Order at 7:09pm and Shane Bradley, Secretary, recorded the minutes. A quorum of directors was present and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

President's Report

- A report was made regarding the WVYSA monthly meeting.
 1. A coaches clinic will be held on the first Saturday in August. EPYSA member, Gary Stephenson, will be in attendance and will host the clinic. The training will be conducted "festival style" and a request was made to use KYSA fields or Forty-Fort Fields. Those coaches in attendance will receive a State Certified G Coaching License.
 2. Soccer fees decreased for the Spring 2017 Season. Prices will range from \$70 for U8 to \$220 for U18. Last day for registration is March 18th, 2017. The season will begin April 15th, 2017 and 8 games will be played. Wyoming Valley will assign all referees. The Girls Teams will play on Saturday and the Boys Teams will play on Sunday.
 3. Hazleton would like to be a Spring affiliate with WYVSA. WVYSA is evaluating the possibility of a Spring affiliate membership.
 4. Recreational soccer leagues will no longer award medals for U12 and under. Placing Medals are not permitted but leagues can award participation medals
 5. WVYSA reviewed U12 and under rules associated with the heading of the soccer ball. Players participating in U12 and under may not head the soccer ball. If a child is playing up they are no longer required to wear an identifying band. The restriction is based upon division of play.
 6. An informative discussion was held regarding the recognized referee systems as it relates to liability insurance. 1-referee or 3-referee systems are the only approved systems that may be used. The WVYSA will deploy a 1-referee system and will use linesman with flags. The association is currently short on certified referees. Coaches will be trained on how to be a linesman. A grade 9 minimum is required for all referees.

7. A general discussion was held regarding Concussion protocol at Club levels. Coaches are required to notify the Board when a player has experienced concussion like symptoms and was removed from a game. Proper protocol must be followed for the player to return to play and the Board must be notified when a doctors note has been provided returning them to play. Documents must be provided to the Board and stored.
8. The next EYPSA Annual Meeting will be held on February 26th, 2017 at the Lancaster Marriott.

Vice President's Report

- A general discussion was held regarding the creation of a travel team for KYSA that would potentially be merger of various clubs of WVYSA. The U8 nets were discussed including the potential need to evaluate replacing them and the quality/material used in their design.

Treasurer's Report

- Current balance in the checking account at the end of December was \$8,478 and the savings account balance at the end of December was \$3,293
- When evaluating 2015 versus 2016 the most substantial impact was the purchase of Club uniforms
- A list of expenses were reviewed including Referee assignor fees, Sam's Club, Price Chopper, Pizza Bella, and Dollar Tree.
- Ben Miller noted that all purchases should be approved by more than one (1) individual. A text or email would be sufficient and provide a paper trail.
- Jack McHale's service to KYSA has ended. As such he will need to be removed as a "signee" on our accounts.

Secretary's Report

- No report

Director of Player Development's Report

- No report.

Field Maintenance Director's Report

- A general discussion ensued regarding Spring Setup and field lining. Red spray paint will be used for the U6 games.
- Church Street & 3rd Avenue Fields will be used for the Spring Season

Referee Assignor's Report

- A general discussion ensued regarding Grade 9 certification. The league as a whole is not preparing the referees to succeed during renewals. This discussion will be continued at the

next meeting of the WVYSA to determine the best course of action and continue the discussion at the Club level.

Registrar's Report

- A general discussion was held regarding the creation of a U4 league for the Spring Season. After discussion the recommendation was approved by the Board & Officers without a vote.

Sponsor Coordinator's Report

- No report

Fundraising Report

- No report

U9 & Up Commissioner's Report

- No report

U6/U8 Commissioner's Report

- No report

Vice President of Futsal's Report

- Registration for the winter futsal season exceeded 380 players. Games are hosted for 12 hours on Saturdays and 5 hours on Sundays.
- A incident was reviewed with a youth referee and an adult. An email was sent to the League to address the situation and to ensure it does not occur in the future.
- Two significant injuries have been sustained to date through the winter season.....a broken hip and an ACL tear

Old Business/New Business

- A request was made by Doug Iracki for all members of the Board to provide a list of 10 potential Corporate Sponsors that can be contacted for the 2017 Season. A list should be provided at the February Board Meeting
- Ben Miller facilitated a general discussion regarding his opinion of how the Board of KYSA has conducted business with each other. In his opinion we could be more cohesive as a group. Mr Miller believes that information is being shared with parents that may be negative when it was originally not intended that way in the Board Room. In his opinion if we could be more open and honest during meetings it would help us become a more efficient Board for the players and parents of the league. Mr. Miller also noted that we may be able to alleviate some of these issues by being more diligent with our efforts to schedule events in advance and discuss dates with each other.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the meeting a motion was made by Doug Iracki to adjourn at 9:00pm. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be held at the Kingston Rec Center on February 16th, 2017 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted By,
Shane J. Bradley
Secretary