



BETHEL PARK SOCCER ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING – April 08, 2008



Bill Wolf President of the Bethel Park Soccer Association (BPSA) called the meeting to order at 8:02 PM in the Caucus Room of the Bethel Park Municipal Building. Also present were Dave Conely, Jim Rhoades, Matt Scott, Scott Bradley, Tom Vater, Don Snyder, Ray Conway, Tony Bruno, Brian Gorges, Kathleen Tischler, Ron Kotkiewitz, Michelle Friday, Andrew Chongaway and Rich Chongaway.

Secretary's Report: The minutes were posted on the website and distributed at the meeting. There were some changes that were noted and will be corrected. Motion was made to approve the minutes by Bill Wolf and seconded by Dave Tony Bruno. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Rhoades gave a balance in the checking and savings accounts of \$27,467.02. Jim Rhoades stated that we still had some outstanding bills, including \$1,000.00 for insurance. However the balance did reflect the payments made to the travel coaches and felt commissioners for Refs and the Act 33-34 coaches' clearances. Jim also stated that he had signed the MLS contract with the changes we had requested and sent it back to MLS.

President's Report:

- Bill Wolf noted that we had ironed out our new contract with the MLS organization with the language changes we had requested and that instead of a commit to spend it would be a try to spend amount. Additionally Bill Wolf stated that we would not be obligated to house any of the MLS coaches this spring.
- Bill Wolf noted that other than there being no bathroom or porta johns at Village green field until the afternoon, the first week of flights went off quite well. Bill also stated that there was some confusion between the recreation department and the public works department and the water was never turned on. Bill thanked everyone for their help in making the first week go so well.
- Bill Wolf also stated that he had notified Gary Lefever that a group of frisbe players had torn up the fields and that it was not the BPSA.

Committees:

Registration -

- Tom Vater stated that BPSA had 210 kids and 16 teams registered, the most ever by BPSA.
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Communications –

- Brian Gorges stated that launch was to be this week and that the details had been worked out.

Referees –

- Tom Vater stated that if anyone had any problems with the refs showing up late or not showing up that they should let Carol Vater know.
- Tom Vater also asked that if we had any problems with the travel refs please let him know.
- Tom Vater also asked that if there were any changes made to the travel schedule to let Tom Boss and Tom Vater know so that both fields and refs can be available.

Travel Commissioner & Registrar –

- No Report.

PR/Fundraising –

- Tony Bruno stated that this weeks flight 50/50 raffle total amount was \$297.00.
- Tony Bruno and Bill Wolf also stated that all amounts of money collected at the 50/50 should be sent to Bill Wolf, Matt Scott, Tony Bruno and Jim Rhoades and the money should be given to Jim Rhoades on the weekly basis for deposit.

Player/Coach Development –

- Bill Wolf stated that the recreation department had made him aware that any groups wanting to hold camps had to either pay a minimum field fee and or 10% of their proceeds to the host group. This is something BPSA should be aware of prior to entering into any agreements with an outside entity.
- In the past other groups have not been held to this requirement since they have donated gifts to the association for player appreciation day, etc. In the future BPSA will look to see we receive some form of compensation – ie a camp discount for all BP participants, etc.

Flights –

- Matt Scott reported flights are underway and teams have been distributed to coaches.

Fields –

- Bill Wolf stated that the first week went well. Coaches are requested to use consideration when faced with a wet field (ie play off to the side, cancel practice, etc.)

Equipment –

- Tony Bruno stated that we are still in need of 2 more sets of corner flags. Bill Wolf suggested that we try and purchase through MLS.
- Tony also indicated that BPSA might be purchasing new uniforms for the fall For all travel teams.

Tom Vater suggested that BPSA collect the old uniforms and give them to some Charitable organization.

- Matt Scott asked if we could use some of the 50/50 money to buy new bags to carry the nets at village green. Matt Also asked to use the same money to buy a Cable lock to secure nets at Milliniun field.

Community Liaison –

- No report

Website -

- It was noted that JJ Zechany and Brian Gorges are the points of contact for the website and they would be the contact to have changes, additions, or deletions made.

Old Business –

- It was noted that the March minute would be amended

New Business –

- Andrew and Rich Chongaway were invited to speak about Betheny Soccer camp which is held at Wheeling Jesuit college during July.
- Bill Wolf stated that he wanted to arrange for a meeting regarding the organization of player appreciation day.
- Bill Wolf stated that due to many of the board members being involved with travel that board meetings would now not start until 8pm.
- Tony Bruno suggested that kids showing up that had lost their shirts pay \$10 To cover the cost of printing new ones. This was dismissed as being overly harsh; a player should bring a tee shirt of comparable color to play.

Tom Vater made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Tony Bruno seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9:26PM.

Upcoming Dates -

- Next Board Meeting will be May 13 at 8PM.
- Player Appreciation May 26 2008.

Next Board meeting will be May 13, 2008, at 8:00PM in Caucus Room.

Respectfully Submitted
Dave Conely, Secretary