



## BETHEL PARK SOCCER ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING – April 14, 2009



**Bill Wolf**, President of the Bethel Park Soccer Association (BPSA) called the meeting to order at 8:08 PM in the Caucus Room of the Bethel Park Municipal Building. Also present were board members: Brian Gorges, Kathleen Tischler, Tony Bruno, Bob Monte, Jodi Galietta, Michelle Friday, Scott Bradley, Matt Yee, JJ Zekany, and Steve Donovan.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes were distributed & reviewed at the meeting. Motion was made by Brian Gorges and seconded by Steve Donovan to approve the minutes & post to the website. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Balance in the checking and savings accounts of \$24,872.24
- Expenses paid out include referee fees as well as purchases, i.e., wheels for the goals.
- Payment from the Rec Dept. to be forthcoming and there are several outstanding invoices.

**President's Report:** In his state of the Association report, Bill Wolf stated:

- First week of flights went very smoothly.
- A thank you to Tony Bruno for a great job on the uniform shirts.
- Travel teams kicked off their season as well and are off to a good start.

### **Committees:**

#### **Registration -**

- Jodi Galietta provide the following flight registration breakdown:
- Flight 1: 172
- Flight 2: 102
- Flight 3: 82
- Flight 4: 63
- Flight 5 Boys: 22
- Flight 5 Girls: 69
- Total: 510 with 243 boys and 267 girls
- 428 for flights only with 82 for travel and flight and 175 new registrations

- Registration date change for girls to move through the flight system at same rate as boys through Flight 4. A motion was made by Bill Wolf and seconded by Brian Gorges to approve this flight structure for flight 1-4 with a determination to be made for for Flight 5 boys and girls.
- Flight 5 alignment was discussed and is yet to be determined and up for further discussion at a later date.
- May 20 is the open registration date for the fall season at the municipal building.

### **Communications -**

- Brian Gorges reported the web site is up to date with the exception of the link for the four week BP academy with MLS.

### **Risk Management –**

- Kathleen Tischler reported Michelle Friday and Jodi Galietta are collecting signed disclosure forms for flights as well as code of conduct forms and will forward completed forms.
- First Aid kits and ice bags for travel & flights are being distributed.
- All code of conduct forms need to be turned into Kathleen Tischler for flights & travel with signatures from players, parents & coaches. Flights are being handled by Jodi Galietta and Michelle Friday and Kathleen Tischler will send reminder to travel coaches to submit.
- Incident forms as required by BP Recreation were distributed for flights and with first aid kits for travel. Forms to be returned to Kathleen Tischler to report in the event any injury/incident occurs so documentation is provided.

### **Referees –**

- Bob Monte reported things have gone smoothly so far with no cancellation issues.
- Some expectation issues presented to Bob Monte for review. Based on feedback, go forward strategy will include moving ref to different level to provide learning opportunity for refs.
- Bob Monte reminded all travel coaches that if you cancel and reschedule a game to notify him to ensure a ref is scheduled for your make-up game.

### **Travel Commissioner & Registrar –**

- No additional information.

### **PR/Fundraising –**

- 2009 Community planning meeting to take place 4/22/09 7 pm at Community Center. Matt Yee will attend.

- Bill Wolf stated Verizon Fios is scheduled to come in one weekend in May and set up a tent with reps available at the Village Green field during flights.

### **Flights –**

- Flights went very well for first week at all levels.

### **Fields –**

- Tony Bruno was recognized for a job well done in lining the fields for use.
- Millenium Field was recently aerated. BPSA is not pleased with the existing field maintenance situation.

### **Equipment –**

- Cones, pug goals for flight one, flags for travel, new Velcro straps and agility posts and ladders were purchased.
- A job box was received and installed at Millenium. Brian Gorges will have keys made and will distribute as well as conduct training session on use on Thursday, April 14.
- Wheels have been purchased & installed on goals.

### **Community Liaison –**

- No report

### **Old Business –**

- No additional information to report on U10 issue at this time.

### **New Business –**

- California University is presenting a middle school youth soccer camp for ages 10-14.
- Sling bags will be the giveaway item in lieu of trophies for Flight 2 – 5. Flight 1 will receive medallions.
- Bill Wolf stated that Luke Sexton, MLS representative, arrived last week and BPSA is required to provide housing. Bill stated that numerous cultural experiences can be gained in volunteering to house an MLS rep and is seeking volunteers to do so.
- All coaches participating in Edinboro tournament need to submit applications asap for registration.
- Discussion occurred regarding creation of over-40 team to be registered with Bethel Park and sanctioned through PA West. Discussion concluded with a motion by Tony Bruno, seconded by Scott Bradley, that BPSA open the travel organization to current over-40 team. Any other teams applying would be subject to board approval as well. Motion for current over-40 passed unanimously.

**Upcoming Dates:**

- April 26 – BPSA Training Academy (8-9 yr olds) for 4 weeks at Village Green
- May 12 – BPSA Board Meeting in Caucus Room
- May 20 – Registration in Council Chambers

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bill Wolf. Kathleen Tischler seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted  
Kathleen Tischler, BPSA Secretary