

## **BETHEL PARK SOCCER ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING – January 15, 2009**



**Bill Wolf**, President of the Bethel Park Soccer Association (BPSA) called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM in the Caucus Room of the Bethel Park Municipal Building. Also present were Brian Gorges, Kathleen Tischler, Tony Bruno, Bob Monte, Kelly Mehalko, Jodi Galietta, Ron Kotkiewicz, Steve Donovan, JJ Zekany, Michelle Friday and Matt Yee.

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

## Treasurer's Report:

- Balance in the checking and savings accounts of \$43,797.33.
- Coaches' appreciation event invoices are still outstanding.
- Signing authority of the accounts will be forthcoming for JJ Zekany.

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

- Introduction of new board members Jodi Galietta, Kelly Mehalko and Steve Donovan
- On line registration as promoted at USSF event was utilized by several clubs and was not successful and is not recommended at this time.

# Committees:

## **Registration** -

- Bill Wolf reported registration opened December 8 with 98 players registered as of today.
- Travel coaches are asked to follow up with players. All travel teams must be registered by February 19. All documentation, including player cards, is due to Bill Wolf by February 4.

# **Communications -**

 Website continues to be updated with content on latest organization news and pertinent info for local area. • No additional information to report.

## Referees -

• Current referee stats are: 17 Grade 8 refs, 39 linesmen and 8 new refs

## Travel Commissioner & Registrar –

No additional information to report

## PR/Fundraising -

 Opportunity of lotto ticket fundraiser was introduced with brief discussion and more detail needed.

# Player/Coach Development -

- Y Module coaching license for u10 u12 is being offered by PA West in South Fayette on 3/12. Brian Gorges to email all flight coaches.
- Kathleen Tischler reported the academy at Southpointe was very disappointing.

#### Flights -

• No additional information to report

## Fields –

• Nets still remain on goals at the fields.

#### Risk Management -

No additional information to report

## Equipment –

• No additional information to report

## Community Liaison –

No additional information to report

## **Old Business** –

None

### New Business -

- Recommended items for fields & equipment were reviewed and discussed. Board members were directed to submit suggestions on items to be added including purchases for immediate attention, budget items and capital expenditures.
- Player appreciation day this year will be simplified to include trophies and parade of nations for players.
- Community day fundraising will be implemented by Brian Gorges and Matt Yee.
- Discussion of local academies hosted by Riverhounds, Century and MLS took place.
- MLS proposal for training and meeting with Tom Ovenden was discussed.
  - New program Awesome 4some was introduced with four MLS coaches available at one time which could be utilized for flights. This can include a goalie coach, who could instruct all goalkeepers.
  - Exchange program commitment is not mandatory.
  - Coach housing stipulation has been eliminated.
  - Steve Donovan will evaluate the present MLS proposal and report back to the Board.

# Upcoming Dates –

- January 21 Open registration Council Chambers
- January 29 Early bird registration deadline
- February 10 BPSA Board meeting in Caucus Room
- February 12 Travel registration deadline
- March 5 Flight registration deadline
- March 29 Travel games begin.
- April 4 Flights begin.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bob Monte. Brian Gorges seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted Kathleen Tischler, BPSA Secretary

# BETHEL PARK SOCCER ASSOCIATION 2009 Board Positions

President:	Bill Wolf
Executive Vice President:	Brian Gorges
Treasurer:	Jim Rhoades Transition: JJ Zekany
Secretary:	Kathleen Tischler
Travel Commissioner/Registrar:	Bill Wolf Transition: JJ Zekany, Steve Donovan
Coach & Player Development Coordinator:	Kelly Mehalko
Field Coordinator:	Ron Kotkiewicz
Referee Coordinator:	Bob Monte
Community & PR Coordinator:	Matt Yee
Communications Coordinator:	Brian Gorges
Equipment Coordinator:	Tony Bruno
Web Adminstrator:	JJ Zekany
Flight Registrar:	Jodi Galietta
Flight Commissioner Coordinator:	Michelle Friday