



BETHEL PARK SOCCER ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING – June 9, 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 board members: Brian Gorges, Kathleen Tischler, Tony Bruno, Bob Monte, Michelle Friday, Matt Yee, JJ Zekany, Jodi Galiotta and Steve Donovan.

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

Treasurer's Report:

- Balance in the checking and savings accounts of \$42,188.92.
- A CD will be purchased in the amount of \$5K or \$7K.
- \$23,115 was received from BP Rec Department.
- Invoices to be paid yet include: Justin Fleischmann & ref reimbursement, field lining, sling bags, paint for fields, Larry Shaw coaching fee, and last portion of MLS coaching fee.

President's Report:

- Bill Wolf attended the PA West hearing on behalf of BPSA regarding the Matt Scott suspension and due diligence. Although PA West findings concluded that the association did not follow due; no sanctions were imposed. The board vote last month had already reinstated Matt Scott and the matter was closed.
- Bill Wolf thanked the board for all their efforts and time to make this past season a success.
- He stated the refs were well organized and did a great job as well.

Committees:

Registration -

- Number of flight registrations received: 269
- Jodi Galiotta will work with Don Snyder next week to get the registration information entered.

Communications -

- No new information to report.

Risk Management –

- Kathleen Tischler stated the board needs to address all Code of Conduct forms being completed and returned.
- An option of attaching it to the registration form in the future was discussed.

Referees –

- Bob Monte will attempt to increase the number of referees by conducting certification here in Bethel and an entry level class in January.
- Ref reimbursement for fall was completed and with only spring reimbursement remaining to be paid.
- Bob stated overall things went very well with refs; however, there is an opportunity for improvement regarding late notice for game cancellations. Discussion took place and decision made that coaches need to cancel directly with refs assigned to game if the game is cancelled after Friday at 9 pm.
- U15 ref incident with issues regarding players' ages resulted in removal of coaches.

Travel Commissioner & Registrar –

- 118 travel registrations. No u14 or u16 boys or girls in the fall due to the school season.
- June 18 will be a travel coaches meeting at the Community Center at which time paperwork deadlines for registration will be discussed.
- Bill Wolf will be handling travel registrations and will attempt to have cards ready for the meeting.

PR/Fundraising –

- Bill Wolf will generate notification to the Rec Department indicating all future communication and correspondence regarding Community Day should be sent to Matt Yee.

Flights –

- Sling bag giveaway and medallions were well received.

Fields –

- Although fields were recently cut, BPSA is not pleased with the existing field maintenance situation.
- Water buffalos are needed at Millenium.

Equipment –

- Tony Bruno stated that he would be doing a sponsor thank you and authorization to purchase frames was given.
- Sponsors are still needed and all board members are asked to participate in renewing this year's sponsors and locating additional sponsors for the upcoming year.
- Wheels were ordered for the remaining Millenium goals and nets were ordered for Ben Franklin.
- Bags for rebounders are being replaced.
- Jobb box needs to be locked at all times to prevent mishaps.

Community Liaison –

- No report

Coaching Development –

- Bill Wolf reported that there will be Tuesday night training sessions for travel players at Millenium through the summer beginning June 23.

Old Business –

- No report

New Business –

- A motion was made by Bill Wolf and a second by Tony Bruno to accept the flight proposal compilation (see attachment to minutes) as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- Bill Wolf stated the next board meeting will be in August.

Upcoming Dates:

- June 18 – Travel coaches meeting – Community Center
- Thursday, July 30 - DEADLINE for in-house flight registration
- BPSA Flight Coaches Meeting and Clinics:
- Monday, August 10th Village Green 6:30-8pm Flights 2 and 3 coaches

- Wednesday, August 12th Village Green 6:30-8pm Flights 4 and 5

- Thursday August 13th Village Green 6:30-8pm Flight 1

- Tuesday, Aug 11 - BPSA Board Meeting 7pm; *Note: No JULY 2009 Board meeting*
- Saturday, Aug 15 - BP Blackhawk Boosters Soccer Tournament Aug 15th and 16th
- Saturday, August 29 - First Day of Flights

- Saturday, Sept 12 - BP Community Day
- Saturday, Sept 19 - Flight Team Picture Day; Travel team pictures - TBA

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bill Wolf. Brian Gorges seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Kathleen Tischler, BPSA Secretary

BPSA Flights Program Revisions ~ effective Fall 2009 ~

Lesson Plans

- Across the Board, 1-4
- Level Appropriate Skill Development

Agility

Measurable (SMART) Objectives

Rules of the Game

Fitness/Preparation for a Game

Goalie Training

- Every Child plays Goal
- Provided by BPSA board designee

Coaches

- Flight specific training sessions provided by a BPSA board designee
- Make-up session for those who cannot attend scheduled session
- Follow up at Flights with coaches as needed

Point of emphasis - "Soccer is a game of movement!"

- When training, kids should not be standing still

Training

- Required in order to Coach
- Provided by BPSA

Continued Coaching Development

- Specific # of Hours per Year
- Provided by BPSA

Code of Conduct

- Code
- Accountability
- Signature Page

Player Assessments

- End of the Spring season, for F2 and older

Mixed Ability Teams

Movement through Flights

- Move all Ages and Genders through Flight Levels at same Pace
- Exception for Exceptional Players, players noticed by other coaches as exceptional.

- "Name an exceptional player on the opposing team" form - each week

Flight 1 Revision

"Real rules"

Pugg goals

Keeper position - use hands

Instruction on throw ins, goal kicks, corner kicks, kick offs

Flight 5 Revision

In House with Experienced Staff

Knowledge

Played the Game

Has had Coaching Experience and Training

Training/Matches

Boys and Girls Train Together.

Matches - uni-sex teams vs. co-ed teams

Dependent on weekly numbers of attendees

Dependent on comfort level of attendees

Matches

Skill Oriented v. Score Oriented

Officials

Flight 3&4 – play “Rules of the Game”

Code of Conduct - players and parents/guardians

Code

Accountability for Parent and Player

Signature Page for Parent and Player

Progression of Flights to Travel

F3 Level – Parent/Player Meeting

Discussion of Travel Program

Handouts

Flights Schedule Fall 2009

Flight 1

Village Green 1:30-3:15

Flight 2

Flight 3	Village Green	8:30-10:30
	Village Green	11:00-1:00
Flight 4 Girls	Neil Armstrong	8:30-10:30
Flight 4 Boys	Millennium	8:30-10:30
Flight 5 Girls AND Boys	Neil Armstrong	11:00-1:00

Comments:

Most people were not for the two day a week program. Email blast to start, then surveys to parents. Fields could be done. Paul Halford to come speak? Logistics? Flights practice night.

Flight 1 – 3 for summer training – need trainers to start this up ASAP.

Keeper training - Doc Weimer or Laura Hoffman to be utilized as 'experts'