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 **BETHEL PARK SOCCER ASSOCIATION**

 **BOARD MEETING – March 12, 2013**

Brian Gorges, called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM at in the Caucus Room of the Bethel Park Municipal Building. Board members present were: Kathleen Tischler, Scott DiGiorno, Kevin Conroy, Steve Donovan, Matt Yee, Jeff Marzina, Mike Kuntz, PJ Borandi, Rose Blatz, Matt Scott and Maria Minshall.

**Secretary’s Report:** Minutes were distributed & reviewed at the meeting. Motion was made by Jeff Marzina and second made by Matt Yee to approve the amended minutes & post to the website. The motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

* Steve Donovan reported the following financials via email: The balance in checking ($1,995.27), savings ($61,206.19), and CDs ($11,146.25) totaled $74,374.71.
* Pending income includes: n/a
* Income included: Registration fees
* Expenses/invoices paid this month: Lottery printing, referee reimbursement
* Pending expenses/invoices to be paid: none at present

**President’s Report:**

Brian Gorges indicated with the flight season beginning April 6 and travel April 7, a lot of prep work needs to be done and additional volunteers are needed. Final approvals still needed for the high school fields. PA West is still finalizing schedules at present.

**Committees:**

**Registration –**

* Mike Kunz indicated flight registration closed & names were sent out to commissioners to form teams.
* Flight players total 441.
* Flight 4 boys have larger numbers and number of teams may be increasing.

**Communications –**

* No report

**Risk Management:**

* Kathleen Tischler provided first aid memos for travel teams to PJ Borandi who will communicate to travel coaches and distribute first aid items & ice packs.

**Referees –**

* Matt Scott indicated we will not be hosting a green shirt class.
* Reimbursement took place for last year’s referee course participants.
* Bill Wolf will continue scheduling referees.

**Travel Commissioner & Registrar –**

* Bill received from PA West for team registrations for 273 total players on 22 teams.
* Some issues reported regarding documentation disappearing from website resulting in a need for resubmission.

**Flights –**

* Flight commissioners have master rosters and are building teams with deadline this weekend.
* Flight 3 will have additional Upper St. Clair players to be added to existing teams.
* Larry Shaw will be handling Flight 5 with practice and skills for the first 45 minutes and then play games following that with two games or one large games dependent upon numbers each week.
* Bill Wolf notified with number of refs needed each week at specific fields for scheduling purposes and Steve Donovan notified of checks needed for flight ref fees.
* Suggestions requested for flight gifts/trophies for spring season. Determination needs to be made for Flight 4 regarding trophy or gift as well as a Flight 5 gift.
* YES training protocol for Flights 1-3 and 4B to be finalized with Larry Shaw handling Flight 4G and 5.
* Ice packs will be stored at the Village Green lock up.

**PR and Fundraising:**

* Per Maria Minshall, rosters were received on Sunday and envelopes are being prepared. Distribution suggested and agreed upon for this Sunday when all teams will be at practices.
* Ticket distribution will be four per single player, six per two-player families and eight per three-player families.
* Kathleen Tischler suggested reminder email be sent and Brian Gorges will email coaches reiterating the need for all tickets to be sold and returned in a timely manner.
* Maria Minshall presented an option for a fundraiser date at Simply Yogurt and she will coordinate with Mike Mathias for scheduling. One day for flights and one day for travel were recommended, preferably a Sunday when a large number of home games are scheduled.
* Bethel Park Soccer spirit wear options were discussed with dates and suppliers to be determined. Rose Blatz to assist with coordinating items from one potential vendor’s product offerings.

**Fields:**

* Practice schedule is now complete and a spreadsheet will be forthcoming to travel coaches.
* Game schedules will be forthcoming when games have been finalized.
* Feedback on new fields was very positive from parents as well as players.
* Field usage at the high school is set with a block on Sunday, which we plan to fully utilize, and possibility of additional time during the week.
* Restroom facilities are still needed.
* Date for lining of fields will be determined and assistance needed.
* June 2 game at Park Avenue to be finalized.

**Equipment:**

* Jason Shields is gathering info from coaches for uniform orders and Scott DiGiorno indicated we need names and numbers.
* Disks for the turf fields have been ordered along with parts to rebuild Park Avenue goals.
* Kevin Conroy will investigate ordering additional Joboxes.
* Brian Gorges is following up on goals to be placed at turf fields at high school fields.
* Net situation yet to be determined.

**Community Liaison** –

* No report

**Coaching & Player Development** –

* Mike Mathias and Rose Blatz will be meeting regarding YES coaching for the upcoming season.
* Additional club information can be obtained and provided to parents via communication in person at field.
* Camp information and classic club information can be pushed out via email blast from the website. Board members can seek and provide details for upcoming events for inclusion in emails.
* Possibility of creating a newsletter was discussed.
* Option exists for the Riverhounds to come on site at Flight 3 and possibly do demonstration of skills or similar for our players.

**Old Business–**

* Status of the grievance filed with PA West by Jeffrey Hoffman was reviewed and party still wanted to continue with mediation. Results pending next hearing within two weeks.
* Matt Scott will be working on signs for fall registration.
* Soccer Shots contact will need to work with Chuck Stover in order to make arrangements. Field location to be determined between the two parties.
* Name still needed for winner of the donated soccer registration.
* YES coaching will not utilize the Ambassador option. We will now have a trainer provided for Tuesday, Thursday and Friday for travel along with Saturday for flights.

**New Business –**

* Larry Shaw will be conducting goal keeper training.
* Travel evaluation dates to be determined. Recommendations for evaluators discussed and contact to be made with final arrangements still to be determined.

**Upcoming Dates:**

* Board meeting April 9, 2013.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Jeff Marzina & a second was made by Scott DiGiorno. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Kathleen Tischler, BPSA Secretary