**Date**: Wednesday March 9, 2016

**Call to order**: 7:01 pm

**Location:** Waterford Club House

**Attendees:**

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| **Attendee** | **Position** | **Remarks** | **Legend** |
| Craig M | President | X \* | Y = attendee |
| Eric B | Vice-President | Y \* | X = did not attend |
| Jeff E | Treasurer | Y \* | (-) denotes left early |
| Jason G | Secretary | Y \* | (+) denotes arrived late |
| Vanessa B | Dir. of Coaching | Y | \* denotes Executive board member |
| Kevin G | Field Scheduler | Y |
| Katie W | Assistant Registrar | Y |  |
| Matt B | Registrar | Y |  |
| Andrew C | Maintenance Coordinator | Y (+) |  |
| Michele D | Uniform Coordinator | X |  |
| Paul |  | Y (-) |  |
| Perry P | Referee Assignor | Y (-) |  |
| Jose G |  | Y (+) |  |
| Jim D |  | Y |  |
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**Open Comments**:

* Opening day for Waterford Little League is April 30. WSC should investigate potential conflicts with this day as other sports (Lacrosse) may also be planning to open this day as well
* Matt B was able to obtain the following dates from WYLA:
  + Opening Day Ceremony (April 23rd)
  + Montville Tournament (May 21st)
  + End of Season Jamboree (June 11-12)
* It may be helpful to post on the website the weekly game schedule:
  + Tykes (U7) 11-12am
  + U6 10 – 11am
  + U8 8:30 – 9:30am

**President’s Report**:

* The proposed budget was reviewed and approved unanimously. The fiscal year for WSC is from May 1 to April 30th and as such, the newly approved budget will be effective May 1, 2016
* “Blast email” process is refined as follows:
  + The author of the communication forwards a copy to the Secretary
  + The Secretary forwards the communication to the Executive board. Communication is approved if any of the following conditions apply:
    - Any two members of the executive board, including the Secretary, approve the communication
    - Approval from the Secretary AND no feedback from the executive board provided within 24 hours of the Secretary forwarding the communication
    - No “critical stop” feedback
  + The Secretary informs the author of the feedback and /or approval
  + The author incorporates the feedback as needed
  + The author distributes the communication
* WSC business conducted via email is to be professional, objective, and focused
* Major points from the SECJSA meeting on March 2 discussed as follows:
  + Division changes include:
    - There are no U13, U14, or U15 Premier players in the Rec Plus division
    - Players in the Rec division will be divided up evenly across teams. No Premier players in any age group
    - U8 is 7v7, CoEd, present in the Rec division only
    - U9 is 8v8 and present in Classic, RecPlus, and Rec divisions
    - U10 is 8v8 and present in Classic, RecPlus, and Rec divisions. Offsides is introduced in Fall 2016
    - U11, U12 are 8v8
    - U11 is present in Classic, RecPlus, and Rec divisions
    - U13, U14, U15 are 11v11
    - U11, U13, U14, U15 are present in RecPlus and Classic divisions only
  + CJSA insurance increase of $3 per player
  + Header Policy per U.S. Soccer = none for U10 and below. For U12 and above, TBD
  + Eric B provided a handout that highlights major changes to structure
  + Clarification on players from other towns was provided:
    - Any town can take a maximum of two players in the same age group from any other town without authorization from the other town only if the players have not registered with that town for that season
    - Any town can take more than two players as per above but only if authorization is provided from the other town for the players beyond the first two
    - Any town can take any number of players from a town if that town does not have a club
  + Fall 2017 changes include Goal sizes; the club receive direction on needed purchases in the future
  + WSC attendees voted to not recommend QVSA being allowed to play in our division
  + Additional eligibility for playing on a U-14 team is clarified as follows:
    - Any player in 8th grade is eligible
    - Any player that is under 14 and in High School is eligible
    - Any player in High School that is 14 or older is NOT eligible
  + Any U-14 team that has a 14 year old player on the team must register the team as U-15, although the team will play in the U-14 division
* April 6th club signup w/ SECJSA will determine the number of teams

**Registrar’s Report**:

* Registration numbers for Spring 2016 to date, with prior counts:
  + Travel League Registrants: 157 (63 on Feb 3)
  + Rec League Registrants: 75 (30 on Feb 3)
  + Tykes League Registrants: 40 (20 on Feb 3)
* Recommendation is for League Athletics to handle online registration for WSC and to implement in April 2016
  + A proposal shall be prepared for this by Eric and Craig

**Referee Coordinator Report:**

* A registration course is available online for referees
* An entry-level referee class will be held April 12 at 9:30 at the clubhouse. Eligibility is restricted to attendees who will be 13 years old or more by June 30, 2016
* Wide World of Indoor Sports (WWIS) anticipated to be CJSA certified in the near future

**Coaching Report:**

* Vanessa will work with Ryan and Andrew from Connecticut Coast Soccer to arrange skill sessions for U6/U7/U8. Previously, only U7 skills had been done (in 2015)
* Proposals for the timing of the skill sessions are to be collected and will reflect the advantages and disadvantages of holding them in Spring or Fall; a decision will be made after review
* Concussion documentation recommended to be on-hand with each coach for every game
* U8/U10/U12/U14 SECJSA Tournament on April 2/3
  + WSC currently has 1 team for each U10, U12, and U14 divisions

**Treasurer’s Report**:

* February Report:

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| **Element** | **Value** | **Remarks** |
| February – Total Income | $5,987.43 | February 2016 only |
| February – Total Expenses | $1,127.21 | February 2016 only |
| Previous Cumulative Available Balance | $20,401.59 | As of Jan 31, 2016 |
| **CURRENT CUMULATIVE AVAILABLE BALANCE** | **$25,261.81** | **As of Feb 29th, 2016** |

*Note – values may not sum to Cumulative Available Balance due to factors including timing (e.g., posting dates)*

* Jeff will provide Jason financials for the month of March prior to the finalized agenda for the April meeting

**Maintenance Report**:

* Equipment cage completed date expected for April 1
* Bathroom maintenance complete
* Hot water tank inside the clubhouse needs replacement. Pat Sheehan has donated a water heater and company ASI has donated labor costs. Expected to occur sometime in the next two months
  + Pat Sheehan and ASI to receive a mention on the fence when it is available
* Field Seeding expected to occur March 29 and March 30. This includes aeration and seeding
* Sprinkler system startup expected to occur March 28 from Maxum Irrigation
  + Water pipe inside the clubhouse needs to be turned on prior to this. Andrew to coordinate

**Old Business:**

* The following items were tabled for the next meeting:
  + Review of the new WSC logo Design (Jason)
  + Interest in jackets continues to be strong
  + Eric to send Michelle M a list of criteria to look for (appearance, sizes, fabric, pricing, etc.)
  + <http://www.prepsportswear.com/school/us/Connecticut/Waterford/Waterford-High-School-Lancers.aspx?schoolid=44045>

**New Business**:

* A donation request from Clark Lane Middle School was reviewed and approved
  + Donation value not to exceed $100 and may consist of any combination of registration credit, a soccer ball, a t-shirt. Jim Demarco to follow-up and report back

**Meeting Adjourned**: 8:30 pm

**Action Items:**

1. Jeff E to provide Jason the financials for the month of March prior to the April meeting
2. Andrew C to coordinate turning the water on inside the clubhouse prior to sprinkler system startup
3. Jim D to follow-up with CLMS donation request and report back as applicable
4. Matt B to reach out to Jeff Sturm to gather information on Lacrosse season startup dates; Matt B to forward this information to Vanessa
5. Eric B to work with Craig M to prepare a proposal for League Athletics to be the provider for online registration prior to the April meeting
6. Vanessa B to work with Ryan and Andrew from Connecticut Coast Soccer to collect proposals for dates to conduct U6/U7/U8 skills training (Fall or Spring) and to coordinate the review and decision process

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