

Northwest District of the Connecticut Junior Soccer Association

August 13, 2014 Crown Plaza, Southbury, CT

Attendees: Carlos Almeida, Dave Brouliette, Michael Diker, Tom Fitzpatrick, Dave Gold, Tim Holland, K Kozik, Paul Mahoney, Nick Meglio, Tony Melaragno, Corrado Perugini, Scott Shakley, Steve Vetter, Rich Zimmerman, Bryan Sautters, M. Doran, Steve Saure, Laura Anderson, Andrew Greene, Chris Barstrom, Glen Gleissner, Kim Hotchkiss, Ryan Dell, Nicole Minard, Nicole Root, Dave Shannon, Todd Berkun, Kelly Gereski, Mark Zaccagnini; **Not in Attendance:** Boca, Town Plot, Winchester

Minutes: Will be approved at the next meeting

Treasurer's Report: It's budget time. If anyone has any ideas for ways to promote their clubs, please email Cory. All agreed that capital improvements would continue to be helpful.

Registration: If anyone needs card stock for your passes, Scott has them. Get your information in early. Roster changes end two weeks after the season begins. In Town Coaches need to be registered with the state (in addition to the background check). Make sure that coaches only do their background check every three years. They do not need to be repeated every year. It's costing the state a lot of money for repeat background checks. CJSA is holding the annual President and Registrar's Meeting on August 24th.

State Report: This year's election for President will actually be a real election as Kathy Zolad is coming to the end of her tenure. A DOC nominee has been approved. Once the DOC is in place, it is highly recommended that you take advantage of his/her expertise. CJSA will also be hiring a Technical Director. The state budget was passed. There will be a \$40,000 deficit this year with the goal of having a balanced budget next year. All should plan to attend the AGM in January.

Premier: Teams are in and the leagues are being formed. The meeting will be on Sunday, August 24th at the Cromwell Crowne Plaza following the President and Registrar's Meeting. There's no state cup in the fall for premier.

Website/Publicity: There were a bunch of non-reported games this past season, roughly 12 and a few forfeits, this is an improvement over past seasons. The clubs that had game scores that weren't reported will be fined \$100 per club plus \$50 per game. This is the coach's responsibility to make sure this is done. The report to view unreported games is not as easy as it used to be. Dave will ask Karen if we can make this simpler.

Referees: Make sure that all referees are certified.

New Business: A. Fun Days – We have a few more clubs who would like to have Fun Days. The funds for this may be pulled out of the budget for the coming year. We would like to see more diversity. It should be more of a celebration for the region rather than individual clubs.

B. All Star Game – was held in Fairfield, it went well and will be done again next year.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 17, 2014