

**Wilton Soccer Association  
Board Meeting Minutes  
April 18, 2016**

**Board Member Attendees**

Michele Barbieri, George Cross, Joanna Lepore, Tony Palumbo, Tracy Scarfi, Nancy Zizzadoro, Nick Zizzadoro

**Non Board Member Attendees**

Jill Bakken, John Salvatore, Ben Weiss

**Absent**

Jayne Casey, Mike Healy, David Silvia, Gabe Tully

**Motion Approved**

Unanimous approval of February and March 2016 Board minutes.

**Charitable Support of Wilton YMCA**

The Wilton YMCA does not have soccer goals. Tony suggested that WSA donate soccer goals to the organization. It was decided that when the WSA purchases new goals, the old goals will be donated to the Wilton YMCA.

**Supplemental Training**

John and Ben discussed an optional travel prep program that will be introduced to help ease younger players into the new age guidelines. It will be 3 (1.25 hour) sessions. The sessions will be open to boys and girls born in 2008, and boys and girls born in 2007 who do not currently play travel soccer. It will take place at the end of May. There will be a fee for the program.

**Additional Tournaments**

Jill Bakken, who is a manager of the U10 White team, asked the Board if WSA money could be given to their team to play in an additional spring tournament this year. Each travel team is currently allotted funds to play in 3 tournaments per year, and the U10 White team is asking for money to be re-allocated from teams who only played 2 tournaments to U10 White to fund their additional tournament. The Board agreed that going forward, it may be a good idea to re-allocated those unused funds to teams who would like to play an additional tournament in the spring. However, this would need to be more formalized so that all teams interested in an additional tournament have an opportunity to do play one – perhaps through a lottery system. This will be re-examined in the fall. No extra tournaments will be funded by the WSA for the current season.

## **BOARD UPDATES**

### **Soccer Extreme – John Salvatore, Ben Weiss**

All travel teams are set with coaches. This season coaches were limited to a maximum of two teams. John will complete the coach bios and circulate the information to the club. The CT Rush teams went to a presentation by one of their sponsors, Hospital for Special Surgery. The presentation provided information to players and parents about injury prevention. This is something that should also be considered as an education series for the WSA.

### **President – Tracy Scarfi**

The numbers are down from last year.

### **Treasurer – Tony Palumbo**

Looking at Ref Assignor program. This would allow refs to sign up and receive payment via direct deposit, instead of paying refs with cash and checks.

### **Intramural K-2 – Joanna Lepore**

The pre-travel meeting will be held on May 17 at 6:30.

### **Academy – Mike Healy**

Jamboree went well. A new name for the Academy program will be introduced in the fall.

### **VP Girls/Boys Travel – Michele Barbieri/George Cross**

WSA still has a large credit as Adidas. John suggested that some of the money be used to purchase goalie jerseys for dedicated goalkeepers at U11 and older. The jerseys could be customized with the Wilton logo.

George said that double rostering has been difficult administratively. Also, players have a 3 game maximum on weekends. They are not allowed to skip their own game to play on another team under any circumstances.

### **Fundraising – Prasad Iyer**

No report

### **Tryouts/Supplementals – Jayme Casey**

Tryouts will be May 21, June 1 & 3 for the girls; June 6, 7 & 9 for the boys.

### **Fields & Operations – Gabe Tully**

All fields are set up.

### **Tournaments/High School – Nick Zizzadoro**

47 boys are registered for high school travel. Two teams have registered for the cup – U19 and BU11 White.

**Web Director – Ed Bergin**

No report.

**Legal Counsel – David Silvia**

No report.

**Secretary – Nancy Zizzadoro**

No report.

Meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm  
Minutes submitted by Nancy Zizzadoro