

**Wilton Soccer Association
Board Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2017**

Board Member Attendees: Michelle Barbieri, Jayme Casey, Jeanne Cronin, George Cross, Michelle Haggerty, Joanna Lepore, David Loughran, Tony Palumbo, Tracy Scarfi, Gabe Tully, Nancy Ward

Non Board Member Attendees: Mikey Kydes, Ben Weiss

Absent: Carol Faherty, Prasad Iyer,

Motions Approved:

Unanimous approval of the February 2017 Board minutes.

Unanimous approval of WSA Scholarship.

Coaching Updates:

- Mickey Kydes: K-2 program is planning to start on Friday, 3/31
- Soccer Extreme: Several travel coaches have not returned to the U.S. due to delays with their visas. New coaches are lined up to fill in. If a coach misses more than 2 weeks of the season they will have to return as an assistant coach. The plan is to start practices the week of 4/3. If the fields are not open, there is gym space and WSF available.

WSA Scholarship:

Starting with the 2017/2018 season, the WSA will offer two \$1,000 scholarships to a senior boy and senior girl graduating from Wilton High School. Applicants must have played WSA travel soccer from 3rd-8th grade, four years of high school soccer and write an essay.

BOARD UPDATES

President – Tracy Scarfi:

The season start date will be determined by the weather and Parks & Rec. The target start date is 4/9. If the season is delayed, managers need to reschedule games and use Memorial Day weekend or week days.

Treasurer – Tony Palumbo:

There is \$360,000 in the bank. If we have extra funds would the board consider increasing the scholarship amount.

Intramural K-2 – Joanna Lepore

There are 89 registered for Pre-K and 284 registered for K-2. In order to increase participation at the K-2 level, the group discussed advertising (flyers, school Facebook pages, Wilton 411 and local papers) as well as starting a Tots program for 3 year olds. Joanna and Mickey will write up a plan for the Tots program.

Team Warrior – David Loughran

There are 120 registered. Start date will be determined by the field conditions.

VP Girls/Boys Travel – Michele Barbieri/George Cross

On the girl's side, one team lost 6 players and has a roster size of 14. On the boy's side, 14 players dropped off for the spring. New players have been identified to fill those roster spots.

Fundraising – Prasad Iyer

None

Tryouts/Supplementals – Jayme Casey

There were 9 players at supplemental tryouts and 2 offers were extended.

Fields & Operations – Gabe Tully

Field set up is scheduled for 4/1 with games starting on 4/9.

Web Director – Michelle Haggerty

Registration closes on 3/20. The referee registration process needs improvement. Per Tony, a SSN is needed if the referee earns more than \$600/season. Per Mickey Kydes, other towns have online systems that work well. Mickey and Tony will look into an online system.

Legal Counsel – Carol Faherty

None

Secretary – Jeanne Cronin

None

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm
Minutes submitted by Jeanne Cronin