



## *Ocean State Soccer School - Board Meeting* *Tuesday, May 8th, 2012*

**Present – John Montanaro; John May; Rosemary Stitt; Chris Runci; Jeff Bolt; Pat Corso; Bill Gallagher; Keb Brackenbury; Jenn Gallagher; Erin Watson; Dave Covell.**

1. Minutes from the April board meeting were approved as presented with no changes or amendments.
2. President's Report
  - A Budget/Planning meeting was held on April 12<sup>th</sup>. One of the decisions was that we should not have a tiered/varying fee structure for competitive according to age group/facility usage and that we should keep a uniform fee across all age group. Also decided *against* all of a try-out registration fee (proposal had been for this to be applied to the registration fee for successful candidates and therefore not to be an additional fee); an initial deposit (for example \$50) once a slot was offered with installments thereafter and including uniforms in the fees.
  - Talked about adding other categories for accounting to be clearer on specific items i.e. a category for late fees or donations.
  - Sponsorships proceeds should be entirely dedicated towards rec although proceeds are currently input in G&A.
  - 2012-2013 Final Budget Meeting to be held May 31<sup>st</sup>, 7:30-9pm, Sonoma
  - WWIS Contract Approval – John has negotiated it down to 4 hrs/week for 22 weeks @ \$180 an hour (5-7pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays), however with 4-5pm on Thursday added for free, the average cost is \$140, aggregating to \$15,840 for the 22 week period. Our space at the facility will accommodate 2 teams per field at one time. We will also need to pursue school gyms, Exeter Job Corp and South County for additional space. The contract also requires 65% of our teams to play in the indoor leagues from Nov-April but not clear whether this would be both sessions or just one – John will follow-up but meanwhile it was agreed that the older teams will get priority at playing the league. John will also follow-up on what happens if the building doesn't get finished on time. *The board approved John to sign the WWIS contract.*
  - Board Member Duty Sign-ups for Saturdays – a few of the board members couldn't open the worksheet but more of our presence is need at the field, particularly in the afternoons.
  - AGM Date: Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-9pm, Cold Spring Community Center
  - Referee Program Awareness – hard to ref when there's so much push-back from coaches; older games should be covered by adults and the adult coaches should stay away from the younger games. John May needs to be able to stand back and watch/observe what's going on.
3. Registration Report – nothing to report.
4. Treasurer's Report – March and April reports were both approved by the board.



- 5 Member Comments – N/A – no members present.
- 6 Old Business
  - Calendar Fundraiser Status – the fundraiser was the most successful ever and also raised the most revenue (both total and per player).
  - Summer Camp Update July 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> – John May – 8 registrations so far; Rosemary to arrange an ad in the Standard Times and get a flier on the NKSD Listserv.
  - RI Dept Health Certificate – Keb confirmed this is renewed and all in order – John will post it at the concession stand.
- 7 New Business (15 minutes)
  - Nomination Committee Chair is Bill Gallagher since he's one of only 2 board members whose term is expiring. Chris Runci also needs to be replaced as head of Competitive.
  - Scholarship Application Committee Presentation – 6 of the 8 applicants were deemed worthy of a scholarship – *approved by the board though with one vote against*. The committee recommended a few improvements in the way applicants should be evaluated and these will be incorporated into the evaluation procedure for future years. All scholarships are being awarded to NK students (though we also advised EG and EWG of the scholarship program in hopes of widening the applicant base) – awards will be presented during the NKHS award night, 8.30pm on Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - We have a potential new DTT (Harry Lukoff).
  - Golf Cart needs to be either repaired or replaced – Bill has investigated repair costs and it would likely cost between \$625 - \$1125 to get it up and running although we could buy a replacement ('07 or '08 model) for between \$3000/\$3300 (with free delivery). Pat suggested sending out an email to the members to ask if anyone can donate us a golf cart instead, however a decision would be made by 19<sup>th</sup> May on responses received and on whether or not this would be a viable option – *board approved, none opposed*.
  - Competitive Tryout Dates – will be during the last week of June (we need enough time for players to commit and for us to form teams etc) *approved by the board*.
8. Monthly Reports
  - Operations – we need cook out volunteers from 10.30-2pm.
  - Safety – 1 injury; broken wrist, fell on ball;
  - Referee Report – 65 refs including some adults; 40 kids will be invited to ref at the Seaside Classic;
  - Competitive – 3 teams are in the State Cup this spring – need to get this publicized on the website. Chris and Jeff will email coaches about Challenger-run training programs this summer/fall.