



## *Ocean State Soccer School*

### *Board Meeting Tuesday, February 5th, 2013*

**Present: John Montanaro, Jeff Wallace, Joe Colangelo, Rosemary Stitt, Amie Adams, Bill Gallagher, Jenn Gallagher, Erin Watson, Marina Sweet, Stephen Souls, Pat Corso**

1. **Minutes** – January – approved as presented with the comment that the nets referenced as to be purchased in the minutes have not been bought – need to follow-up.
2. **President's Report**
  - SRI District South Meeting held on Jan 31st – Bob Jones attended for OSS – main issues: SRI wants to change coaching license policies (eliminate need for D at U14 and above anchor; mandate E for ALL U11 and above coaches as opposed to just U11-U12; Combined Y1 and Y2 into a single Y course good for U6 through U10) and SRI is deciding on President's Cup (tournament below State cup) whether to hold in single year or continue with the current practice of spreading out over two years.
  - Comp Coaches Meeting, 2/25, 7-9pm – wants as much board representation as possible
  - Rec Coaches Meeting, 3/27, 6:30-9pm
  - SRI Youth Volunteers of the Year (Layman Sisters – founders of "SoccerRecycle") – SRI award ceremony on Feb 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Dates (Field Day / Picture Day) – need to schedule both (Picture Day is already scheduled).
  - Director of Equipment resigned on Jan 12<sup>th</sup>.
3. **Registration Report** 42 rec, 328 comp (not including 24 in the U8 academy).
4. **Treasurer's Report**
  - December 2012 – no discussion
5. **Member Comments** - NA
6. **Old Business**
  - Scholarship Application Form – now posted on the web site.
  - Road signs – Steve has designed a new sign – need to have signs produced before we can get the signs out!
  - DTT Contract Approval - approved for signature.
7. **New Business**
  - WWIS Future Use – need to figure out what we want to do about space/time at WWIS for next year.
  - Summer Camp Dates/Flyer (15-19 July) – head coach will be Kyle Froberg again as long as that week works for him.
  - Competitive Uniform Renumbering – discussed the recent competitive uniform renumbering process which was triggered by the intent to eliminate the problem of having duplication of numbers in an age group and to have a unique number by division of play. Marina told *all* parents at fitting that they weren't guaranteed the same number but she'd try to accommodate – if there were existing duplicates, the child with the longest tenure with OSS kept their original number. Marina has



subsequently received two questions from parents, but neither was presented as a complaint.

- Survey – John wants to do a survey on the competitive side to address fall competitive and winter indoor on facilities, organization, try-outs, general experience (Stephen/Jeff to work on this).

## 8. Monthly Reports

- **Development (Jeff)**

- there will not be a collaborative league with another club this spring, but probably with East Greenwich in the fall;
- Challenger will do spring uniforms again, and for a bit less than last fall's pricing.

- **Referees (Amie)** – nothing really new; new ref clinic for new OSS refs on the 16<sup>th</sup> Feb and also on March 2nd

- **Foundation (Pat)**

- Hasn't been able to get any quotes for printing the calendar raffle yet but maybe can get everything put together for the competitive coaches' meeting on March 27<sup>th</sup>.
- A couple of new sign sponsors are in the pipeline.
- Will draft a mass email to go out to membership soliciting potential new sign sponsors.
- Steve will get an ad in the Forest Park Elementary Year Book – half page ad is \$100; full page, \$190 – cost will come out of Foundation. We should budget advertising for schools in the annual budget for next year.

- **Safety/Operations (Bill)**

- We need to coordinate any black-out times with Superliga this year (i.e. at the start of April if our fields aren't ready).

- **DTT – not present**

- **Competitive** – please refer to attached competitive report:



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- The recent behavior of one coach was discussed relative to events and communication both related to the team and events and communication off the field; a number of board members voiced complaints; the coach's continued participation in the Competitive Committee was questioned and is to be reconsidered.

- **Equipment**

- JM will look for a new Director of Equipment given the recent resignation of the previous incumbent.
- For future purchases of competitive uniforms coordinated by OSS, Marina recommends getting parents to pay up front since this simplifies the process massively.