

# Ocean State Soccer School Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 13, 2012

7:35pm start time

Attendees: Montanaro, Wallace, Gallager, Corso, D'Arezzo, Colangelo, Parente

## Upcoming Dates:

- a. Next meeting: Tuesday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>
- b. Holiday Party: Monday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>
- c. SRI Board Meeting: Cumberland, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>

1. **Minutes** – approved October minutes
2. **Season Wrap-up:**
  - a. Need to continue to get more volunteers
  - b. Do a ListServ in January for Spring Recreation signup
3. **Registration Report**
  - a. Academy Registration for Winter/Spring – There is a U8 comp option on the website. Look into possible registration conflicts.
  - b. Player Transfers into and out of OSSS – keep track of reasons-Report each mt.
4. **Treasurer's Report**
  - a. Under budget on Rec and Comp, but still waiting on some invoices – trophies, field costs, etc (\$15 – 20k of bills outstanding)
  - b. Asked Jeff Wadovick to put calendar fundraising money in a money market or savings account so we don't use this money on routine, maintenance costs
  - c. Team Sponsorships: more this year than last; try to hold a meeting this winter to gather more sponsors – Pat Corso to coordinate
  - d. Finance Committee:
    1. John wants to put together this committee to review the monthly financials, do checks and balances, separation of duties, etc.
    2. We need to separate the bookkeeping, taxes, and get an oversight official
    3. Still need a treasurer as the “oversight” of the financials
  - e. Taxes: Motion that the taxes were reviewed and can be mailed
5. **Member Comments**: none
6. **Old Business:**
  - a. Futsal Status (Mark): Mark called all organizations, but could only get Capital to commit; other clubs wanted WWIS, a snack bar, better facility, etc.
    1. Not committed to paying the money for the West Warwick facility....had a Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> deadline to pay and we cancelled before that
  - b. Adidas Contract Approval (Chris): done
7. **New Business:**
  - a. Competition Committee: competition at all levels (Rec and Comp divisions); strictly volunteer based – Keb is Committee Chair....others on committee: Chris

Parente, Jeff Wallace, Rob Andrews, David Williams, Brendan Ennis, Robert Hughes....still need more volunteers

1. Approved the creation of this committee and Keb as the chair

b. U18 Open League (Jeff W.):

1. Proposed this league for winter indoor – Board approved to move forward on this

2. Academy style....no formal teams, generate teams on the day of games (Peter Fisher to coordinate)

3. Registration fee of \$150 January through March.....needs 36 kids at \$150 per kid to cover the \$180 per hour WWIS

4. Would like someone to push WWIS for a lower rate (have Peter contact Dana Cooke to see if they could get the \$100 rate that WWIS offers for specific times)

5. If under OSSS name, we'd have to charge a registration fee; use a separate link in GotSoccer for their registration

c. Scholarship Discussion – next meeting

8. **Monthly Reports:**

a. Development (Jeff) –

1. No major issues this season

2. “Give back Saturday” with Soccer Recycle and Food Drive (135 pieces of food donated to NK Food Pantry)

3. Coach and parent surveys to be reported at next meeting

4. Concern from U18 coaches that the teams weren't being set up evenly (13 to 18 year olds on 4 teams) – may ask coaches to confidently give some evaluations in the future

5. Discuss spring uniforms soon

6. Collaboration league – trying to find other towns that do spring Rec (EWG may) for U12 and up (Jeff and Joe to look into this)

b. Equipment (Chris) –

1. Report went out for players that haven't been fitted yet

2. One more scheduled fitting, then players need to go to DMK for fittings

3. Will need to clean out the shed and see what equipment is needed for spring

4. \$6000 credit from Adidas...need to discuss how we want to spend this money at Adidas (benches, tents for back fields, flags, hurdle gates)

c. Referees (Amie) – family medical issue, so not in attendance

1. Try to find a way for her to see if her referees have completed their classes

d. Competitive (Bob) – Bob submitted a report

1. Coaches meeting on Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> 7-9pm at Cold Creek Community Center.....board to attend too

2. Once we form teams, get them to register early to have them commit – nonrefundable if we have teams

3. Not charging for tryouts b/c may scare off potentials

4. Form teams early, communicate well and club has the final say

e. Foundation (Pat) –

1. Meet after the holidays to discuss fundraising and create a plan/strategy to allocate money for a specific project/improvement...create a Strategic Planning Committee

f. Safety/Operations (Bill) –

1. No issues with safety
2. Potholes filled
3. Fertilizing being completed this week
4. Need to target a Field Day for spring

g. DTT (Mark) –

1. Academy: 17 boys, 5 girls – going great....will probably add 10 more girls
2. Supplemental: 25 girls; HS players helping at this training
3. David Rush – nothing done on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, so not paying him for these dates
4. February – licensing clinic; working with SRI; try to get NKHS for this clinic
5. Recruited a goalie coach for goalie clinics – John asked Mark to put together a list of all the clinics he wants to do, then coordinate with the website and advertising (coaches clinic, goal keeping clinic and shooting clinic....January, February and March).
6. Coaches Meeting – discuss premier to the coaches so that can communicate back with their players