



Ocean State Soccer School

Board Meeting - Tuesday, June 11th, 2013

Present – John Montanaro; Joe Colangelo; Amie Adams; Jeff Wallace; Peter Merritt; Jenn Gallagher; Rosemary Stitt; Stephen Souls; Erin Watson.

- 1. Minutes of the May Board meeting – *approved as presented***
- 2. President's Report**
 - HS Senior Scholarships – awards approved at the May board meeting have been presented – Jeff Wallace presented at NK and Pat Corso presented at EWG. John mailed the award to the single Prout award winner and letters have also been sent to the applicants who were not successful.
 - AGM – confirmed for 26 June @ 7.30pm
 - Registration links are up for both rec and competitive (though the competitive link is currently turned off).
 - Property Tax Status – legislation has to be passed by the town to give us exempt status, however the NK town council meanwhile seems supportive – if successfully passed, this measure would save us approximately \$4k a year and would take effect immediately (albeit with no retroactive benefit).
- 3. Registration Report**
 - Tiered Registration Fees with a multi-payment option is recommended for Competitive – suggestion is for a \$75 deposit with the options to either pay in full or pay in multiple installments spread over the rest of the year by direct payment from a credit card or checking account. Aim is to turn team formation process around in about 2 weeks from try-outs. Try outs will be June 17th
- 4. Treasurer's Report**
 - Jeff has been successful in setting up E-Check for our registration links– this will save us significant credit card fees each year that are currently charged by the registration site service provider
- 5. Member Comments - NA**
- 6. Old Business**
 - Budget – will be set up in the next week.
 - Nominations – all incumbent board members are staying; Joe is staying as VP.
- 7. New Business**
 - Summer Camp – Darlene and Karl Froberg are working on ordering shirts etc.
 - Tryout Advertising – was in the NK Standard Times on June 6th and will be repeated on June 13th.
- 8. Monthly Reports**
 - Development – Give-Back day was highly successful with 600 articles of clothing donated to SoccerRecycle as well as over 200 food items to the NK Food Pantry.
 - A survey for all the coaches has been sent out.
 - Jeff commented that there was something of a degradation of in standards throughout the season (though nothing egregious) i.e. parents seem oblivious to there being defined areas for spectators during games (spectator lines need to be repainted and



traffic flow in the parking lot. However the Warwick cross-over games went very well and Jeff will try to get EG involved in the fall.

- Jeff has already preordered fall uniforms.
 - Foundation – Pat not present however the iPods and gift certificates to the sellers of the most calendars have been handed out.
 - Website – Stephen Souls would like to be part of group restructuring website.
 - Operations – Summer Field Days on June 30th, July 14th, July 21st and August 11th – 10am – 4pm. Looking to reconfigure a front field due to holes – will start in September - will be closed for a year – open league will have to move to a back field. Looking at replacements for the 4 foot picket fence between U4-U5 fields; is also getting quotes for trees overhanging rec fields. A further project will be to widen the apron between the road and driveway at front entrance off Stony Lane.
 - Equipment – Marina has been buying various items and has also cleared out the shed; we'll look to sell the various donations from Titan Sports by the fall as they're taking up a lot of space – Jeff will go through the inventory with Marina.
 - Competitive – Bob could not be present due to a NK School Committee meeting
 - Referees – new ref classes last 2 Sundays in July (11 is the minimum age) – have 14 in the class; 4 on waiting list – don't want to let too many in or they won't get games. There will be a class in Coventry for refs who want to become competitive referees.
 - DTT – Not present – however we need confirmation that Mark will lead the academy; approx.. 60 kids want to join to academy so we need to know for sure that we have Mark signed up.
 - Safety – Bill could not attend the meeting
9. Meeting Adjourned