



Ocean State Soccer School

Board Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, May 13th, 2014

Present: John Montanaro; Jeff Wallace, Joe Colangelo, Pat Corso, Brendan Ennis, Nancy Fry, Keb Brackenbury, Mark Oliver, Rosemary Stitt, Peter Merritt, Marina Sweet

1. Presentations:

- **Online Store** - Chris Batzinger Team Stores USA
- **Scholarship Committee Recommendation** - Keb Brackenbury. Having reviewed 13 applications this year; the request was for 8 scholarships, totaling \$3500, comprised of \$500 for the top 6 and \$250 for the 7th and 8th placed applicants – this request was *approved* by the board. Scholarship recipients are:

- Courtney Cooke
- Finley Kincaid
- Christiana Layman
- Timmy Lynch
- Matthew Pazienza
- Kayla Pelletier
- Rees Tillotson
- Jodi Wadovick

- The scholarship committee will meanwhile tighten up the application form for next year as well as guidance for the essay part of the application.

2. Minutes – April – *approved* as presented.

3. President's Report

- **Field Use/Coordination** – someone is interested in holding a summer camp at the field.
- **NK Volunteer Recognition** – Peter Merritt, our Director of Operations is our extremely worth honoree – the event is scheduled for May 22nd and the O Club in Quonset.
- **SRI South Meeting Discussions** – good discussions; Steve Votolata has said the community rule is to be eliminated, however John will put the proposal in writing to avert any uncertainty; John is going to propose changes to rostering rules to ensure they have teeth;
- **OSSS Player Recognition:**
 - **Cece Pilgrim** and **Amanda Watson** who have both been selected for the RI Olympic Development Program (ODP) team that will be traveling to New Jersey, June 6th-8th to represent RI in the Regional Tournament. Cece and Amanda are among only 18 girls for this team from RI. They both currently play on the U13 girls team coached by Jeff Bodlt, which plays MAPLE.
 - **Sarah Andrews** who is a member of Ocean State's U17 Select Team, which also plays MAPLE, and who is also a Recreational Coach for Ocean State, has been named Athlete of the Year by the Rhode Island Interscholastic League "RIIL", an award that includes \$1,000 towards college.



4. Registration Report

- 2014-2015 Fees/Payment Plan – rec fee will remain the same; academy fees will rise by a small amount.

5. Treasurer's Report

- 2014-2015 Budget – we need to review to ensure amounts look right – need to finalize by June ahead of AGM.

6. Member Comments – N/A

7. Old Business

- **Summer Camp Status** – Kyle Froberg will revert on coaches names – need good quality adult coaches; will rent a tent and water-slide and will buy an abundance of soccer balls;
- **Chamber Status** - there is a flier for the greeter package.

8. New Business

- Cookout – Marina has 4 uniforms for the raffle (2 kids, 2 adults); will also order 2 goalie shirts;

9. Monthly Reports

- **Development** – 3 Saturdays left in the season; uniform invoice has still not been paid;
- **Referees** – we need to have a schedule of Superliga games – had a Superliga game go to the wrong field last Saturday, which caused an Academy game to be late.
- **Operations** – concession stand going well; vending machines making around \$80 a week;
- **Foundation** - \$13,000 netted from the raffle – top sellers will get an iPod touch; 2nd placed will get a gift card from Dicks Sporting Goods
- **Competitive**
 - Team Issues – U12 B Tara Popowycz game against Westerly
 - Player Issues – NA
 - Competitive Status –
 - Maple Team 1st Games – Boys U10 Cuthill (3,2), Boys U11 Andrews (2,4), Girls U13 Boldt (3,2,1), Girls U17 D'Arezzo – (3,1,2)
 - Past weekend only May 10th-11th - Superliga 1st Games – 10 wins, 7 losses, 1 tie
 - Field Coordination/Issues – NA
 - Tournaments – SRI Festival, State Cup (U13G Boldt - OUT, U17G D'Arezzo, U16B Parkins - OUT), Nashua, Needham, and Father's Day
 - Tryouts - Coaches Meeting, Monday May 19th; will initiate on-line registration by the end of this week, May 16th; advertising will also get underway.
 - Coach Appreciation – will hold an event at the end of the season
 - Emails (competitive distribution) – Prior to World Cup highlight Michael Parkhurst and Geoff Cameron