



Ocean State Soccer School

Board Meeting

December 9th, 2014

Present: John Montanaro, Jenn Gallagher, Marina Sweet, Pat Corso, Bill Gallagher, Peter Merritt, Mark Oliver, Rosemary Stitt; Marina Sweet.

1. **Minutes** – November 2014 – approved as presented
2. **President's Report**
 - **Superliga/SRI status** – SRI has sent out a mass email to all coaches about a new “Elite League” that SRI described as “will be no better or no worse than Superliga – it’s presented as just an “*alternative*” Meanwhile, there was a District South meeting on 11/20, however nothing of particular note or consequence came out of it
 - **New Club Pass Issue** – for any given team this would allow. Will be re-addressed at the February Superliga meeting (was discussed at the 11/17 meeting but was not approved).
 - **Holiday Dinner**, 15 Dec, 7pm (Mozzarella’s)
 - **Meetings** – Uniforms 11 Dec, may be changed to 18 December; Sponsors meeting– TBD by Pat sometime in January.
 - **Higher Level** are training competitive teams currently.
 - John has reserved the NKHS gym for practice on Monday evenings as a make-up for teams who didn’t play on Thursdays due to holidays.
 - **Field use** – applicants are to complete the existing field use form; cost to be determined on a case by case basis (depends on request/time), provides flexibility for us if we leave price open - **approved**.
3. **Registration Report** – all paid! Numbers are strong.
4. **Treasurer's Report** - \$648 has to be re-categorized. Received back \$500 bond check. We’re above budget on competitive and academy; numbers are good.
5. **Member Comments** - NA
6. **Old Business**
 - **Academy Status (shirts/teams)** – shirts have arrived; players will only need to buy one shirt for spring games.
 - **Spring Dates** – agreed last month.
7. **New Business**
 - **Rec Ads** (Jan/Feb) – will be in the NK View and local papers in February as well as on school list-serves.
 - **U8 Goals Purchase** - Bill will look at what’s available and Marina will order. Board **approved** buying 4 aluminum benches.
 - **Field Layout Spring 2015** – Blackout dates/times – we need to determine field layouts. Saturday boys
 - **Credit card fees** – Bill will follow-up



8. Monthly Reports

- Safety (Bill) – attended a Superliga disciplinary hearing recently related to assault on a referee; the latter will have to pay a \$500 reinstatement fee but meanwhile is suspended from both Superliga and SRI for a year.
- Referees (Mark) – there is a new offside law interpretation – Mark has to be at competitive coaches meeting when arranged. Separately, online referee reports will be tested next week.
- Operations (Pete) – nothing to report except has begun replacing a fence bordering our property since 3 panels needed replacing.
- Foundation (Pat) – nothing much to report; will arrange sponsorship meeting.
- Equipment (Marina) – needs to know what academy teams are. Met with Challenger re rec: they will need a sponsor list by Feb 1st. For competitive, Marina has uniform info from Chris in EG; Challenger and Adidas and will discuss with all at meeting on the 18th December. Challenger is all on -line, therefore Marina would only have to deal with the player numbers if we did go with this vendor.

9. Meeting Adjourned