

STRATFORD YOUTH SOCCER MEETING

May 9th, 2017 at 8.30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Stratford

The following members were in attendance:

Graham Bunting, Kevin Machado, Mike Vancea, Carla Vancea, Mike Binns, Carla Binns, Linda Sauvé, Gabrielle Nemeth, Frank Misuraca, Lucy Doney Tony Hunter.

Regrets were received from: Don Herlick, John De Boeck, Todd Steel, Anita Dubé

Staff: Maureen Mitchell, Lori Misuraca, Holly Deighton.

The Meeting was called to order at 8.30 p.m. by President Graham Bunting

Minutes of Previous Meeting – Tony Hunter

Moved by Tony and seconded by Mike Binns that the minutes of the previous meeting as distributed be approved. The motion carried.

President's/Vice-President's Report – Mike Vancea

Challenger sports brochures are ready for distribution to the various schools in Stratford. Mike Binns will co-ordinate.

Head Referee report – Holly Deighton

Moved by Mike Vancea and seconded by Mike Binns that the recommendations for referee fees be adopted as presented. The motion carried.

Referees for Boys and Girls U9 to U10 will receive \$15.00 per game

Referees for Boys and Girls U13 will receive \$25.00 per game

Referees for Senior Boys and Girls will receive \$35.00 per game

Having presented her report Holly departed the meeting

Moved by Mike Vancea and seconded by Lynda Sauvé that the position of Head referee be paid \$2200.00 per year with the understanding that mentoring young referees was a big part of the job. The head referee will be paid \$350.00 for each of the two tournaments to compensate for lost earnings. The head referee will have \$300.00 of discretionary funds available to provide financial incentive and encouragement to young referees. The head referee will be expected to do a weekly report on the mentoring and refereeing that is performed. The motion carried.

Administrators Report – Maureen Mitchell

Registration: 679 (last year in May – 711)

Tournaments: Classic - 41 teams 6 on 6 - 1 team Festival Cup - 13 teams

Referee course: Entry level - 21 small-sided – 25

Camp: July 10 - 14 Full day - 10; July 10 - 14 Half day - 11; August 14 - 18 Half day - 2

I have been working with the Salvation Army, City Housing Dept. and the House of Blessing to get players registered.

Travel coaches meeting was held with at least 1 coach from each team there, I went over all the expectations with the coaches.

There are still some players that have not registered for the travel teams – their books will not be done until they have paid in full.

Getting coaches certifications complete this year has been a struggle. Still waiting on some to complete what they need before the books can be validated.

The field calendar was a difficult task this year; it is now posted on the web site.

There were lots of game changes needed due to the Turf field not being ready.
I have been in contact with the city and simplistic lines about the fields and schedules.
I booked the Army Navy for the year end Travel Banquet on Sept 7 2017.
House league schedules are complete, along with the practices and picture days.
Working on getting all players registered in AIMS (OSA system)

In addition to the circulated report

Registrations now stand at 693

July 10th – 14th full day camp now at 12 registrants

It was recommended that the 6v6 tournament be cancelled for lack of registrations.

Late registrations cause a lot of additional management time - because of this and, in an effort to address the problem, the late fee penalty will be reworded; an early bird discount will be given instead.

Moved by Mike Binns and seconded by Carla Vancea that the administrators` reports be accepted.
The motion carried.

Administrator's Report – Lori Misuraca

-April was a very busy month, lots of calls and emails

-Registration is now at 678 players with more coming in daily

-mass emails were sent out to recruit coaches for house league

-mass emails were sent out to recruit senior players to help with younger divisions for community hours

-the website has been updated with the following:

field calendar; evaluation nights and info; expired OSA links have been updated; new sponsors have been added and have linked their URL; old sponsors have been removed.

-the small sided referee clinic is this Saturday May 6 from 9-5 and is full with 26 participants, the instructor is Patrick Bandura

-the entry level course is this Saturday and Sunday both days from 9-5 with 20 participants, instructor is Wally Illman

-the badges have arrived by Purolator, Frank will pick up keys for St. Mikes and I will give all the items to Holly this week

- I will send out a mass email to all the participants reminding them of the dates and time and what to bring this weekend

Travel banquet is set for September 7th at the Army and Navy

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Lori requested that all emails be cc'd to her so that she is in the know and can respond to inquiries based on decisions made.

Toronto FC approached us to see if we were interested in some of their promotional offers. The offers remaining did not meet our requirements this year. Lori will remain in contact with them and see what we can achieve for next year.

Moved by Tony Hunter and seconded by Lucy Doney that the administrator's report be accepted. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Kevin Machado

Moved by Kevin and seconded by Carla Binns that the Treasurer's report be adopted as distributed. The motion carried.

Travel Report – Don Herlick/Lynda Sauvé

- Inventory of items in coaches bags with Todd Steel (ordered remaining items to fill bags)
- Had kick off coaches meeting (attended by new travel coordinator and guest speaker to discuss concussion protocols)
- Picked up the order from Dunny's and Handed out jerseys,balls and paperwork to all coaches (U16 boys had nothing to hand out as they were late getting into Dunny's) ! Had a brief discussion with the coach about responsibilities !
- Completed a player evaluation in order to get player book stamped
- Coaches sending a lot of emails about all field availability for practices (forwarded to Maureen to have a look)
- Lynda and I worked with Maureen to chase down the last few players or coaches still needing to either pay, complete courses or drop off pictures for books

Moved by Lynda Sauvé and seconded by Frank Misuraca that the Travel report be accepted. The motion carried.

House League reports

From Gaby

Player assessments are being held from May 8 to May 11. When completed, hopefully more balanced teams will be formed. A coaches' clinic is being held on Monday May 15th. Uniform distribution will be held on May 18th. The under 4 and under 5 uniforms will be distributed on May 8th.

All divisions have coaches with the exception of a coach needed for a u9 girls team and a u13 boys team. A new shed from Canadian Tire has been placed beside the old wooden shed at FAG.

I would like some direction from the board regarding score keeping. Rather than have each individual coach be responsible for submitting a game report to the newspapers, one of the paid student assistant coaches will ask each coach after their game who their SYS superstars are. The senior division will be keeping score and it will be reported to the local newspapers. Is the u13 division keeping score and standings?

Attached is a coach's manual prepared by Anita that will be handed to the coaches this year.

From Anita

I will have to send my regrets for the meeting this evening. I am occupied with work and soccer evaluations until 8:30 and will therefore need to time to do some 'homework' later on tonight. I have finished the manual and copied drills, schedules, info regarding the retreat line off Ontario soccer and the actual manual on a data stick that clips into the front page of the manual. I have requested a quote from SBC to print the manuals, however have not yet heard back regarding pricing. The data Sticks were \$278.21 taxes in for 52. I am planning on having them completed for next week's meetings. I think for next year they should be ready for uniform distribution night for the U4 and U5 teams.

Moved by Carla Binns and seconded by Carla Vancea that the house League reports be accepted. The motion Carried

