

STRATFORD YOUTH SOCCER – MONTHLY MEETINGS

May 14th, 2019 at the Knights of Columbus Hall

The following board members were in attendance:

Mike Vancea, Kevin Machado, Tony Hunter, Mike Binns, Julie Leitch, Anita Dubé, Carla Vancea, Todd Steel.

Regrets were received from Graham Bunting, Lynda Sauvé,

Absent. Don Herlick, Tyler McIntosh, John DeBoeck.

Staff members in attendance were Maureen Mitchell, Lori Misuraca and Jan Bolhuis

The meeting was called to order at 7.00 p.m. by Vice-President Michael Vancea

Minutes of the previous meeting

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

Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters arising.

President's/Vice-President's report

Mike indicated that new board members from some of the parents of younger children and particularly House League are being sought out.

Treasurer's report – Kevin Machado

Field costs were somewhat higher than last year due to the purchase of new goal frames.

Moved by Kevin and seconded by Mike Binns that the Treasurer's report, as distributed, be approved. The motion carried.

Administrator's report – Maureen Mitchell

Registrations: House League-507 Travel-266

July Camp - 9 full day; 5 half day August Camp - 3 full day; 2 half day.

Classic Tournament - 39 Teams Festival Cup - 19 Teams

Referee courses: Entry Level – 18 Small sided – 25

Referee training: Approximately 16 - not sure of the exact number

- Responded to all incoming e-mails.
- Prepared and took deposits to the bank, collected invoices and prepared cheques.
- I have followed up with Sponsors that have not paid yet.
- We added 3 more teams – I found sponsors for these teams.
- Sent out invoices to the new House league sponsors.
- House League teams have been assigned sponsors.
- Sent Dunny's a chart of all House League teams with Sponsors, colours and team sizes.
- Set up House League teams in PowerUp.
- Travel meeting on April 23rd, I created the agenda and went over what to expect this season
- Distributed the Referee cheques and rosters to coaches.

- Field Calendar – The Turf field has been very busy, I have scheduled all games and practices for all soccer teams in Stratford, booked several school groups on the turf.
- The field calendar has the travel team games & practices scheduled.
- There has been a lot of re-scheduling done by the travel teams.
- Some coaches are still working on completing courses; their books cannot be completed until they have this done.
- The league sent out a reminder to clubs that team officials cannot be on the bench or on the game sheet until they have completed everything. This has been sent to the coaches and I reminded them that the team could be fined.
- Travel players are all registered in Sports Engine, still have some player cards to pick up, along with the coaches that are not ready.
- Player assessments have been completed and sent to the district.
- Sent in the monthly Discipline report to the district. We had nothing to report.
- Responded to several e-mails about the tournaments.
- Registered all Stratford teams into the Classic & Festival Cup on PowerUp.
- Uploaded team rosters to the SWDSL web site for the U9 – U12 teams.
- Completed the insurance applications and submitted them to the District. Sent out the certificates to the city and the school boards; updated the School web sites.
- Assigned all House League players to teams
- Updated the House League Coaches Manual
- House League meeting was on May 9. Uniforms and team rosters were handed out.
- I created an agenda to go over with the coaches and answered any questions they had.
- House League Schedules are complete, Final day schedule has been included
- Some divisions have had changes to balance teams and add on coaches.
- I have been assigning late registrations as they come in.
- I have had several calls and emails with the photographer to book the Travel and House League sessions.
- Some have already had to be re-scheduled due to weather.
- Port-a-Potties have been booked for all fields. I gave them the dates of our special events such as the tournaments and final day.

Communication Administrator's Report – Lori Misuraca

- answer all incoming calls
- answer all incoming emails and forward if necessary to appropriate board member
- post Board mtg notice on website
- post minutes from board meeting on website
- answer/check face book inbox messages daily
- update website for all house league divisions/days/times/rules
- help families register on power up (daily)
- help referees register for courses
- answer tournament questions and assist them with registration on power up
- send mass emails to all registered for house league to give info on playing nights etc
- update all house league info on the website as needed
- do regular face book posts and ads for house league registration and camps
- set up travel and house league meetings
- send an updated Communication Administrator Duties monthly chart to president and vice president
- update all sponsors on the website. Remove old sponsors, add new ones with their logo and a URL link to the sponsors website
- put the new house league manual on the website

- update the community information for SYS with United Way perth and 211 Ontario
- did post about the new coed soccer league
- find convenors and coaches for all house league teams
- enter all on power up

Discussion on Team Pictures:

Moved by Mike Binns and seconded by Anita that all House League children will be supplied a free 5x7 team picture. This will be a \$2.50 cost per picture to SYS. The motion carried.

Referee report

There was some discussion about the use of the E2E Ref Centre scheduling tool; specifically that some referees may not get a fair chance at scheduling themselves to do games, particularly if a few of referees got a jump start and booked many of the games for themselves, this may lead to a shortage of referees in the future. It was suggested that the referees be given their assignments through the Ref Centre this year and then changes can be made to suit.

Moved by Mike Vancea and seconded by Kevin Machado that House League referees are to be trained to use the Ref Centre web based scheduling tool. The motion carried.

It was felt that referees dedicated to showing up for their games should be rewarded. This will also help with their registration expenses and mandatory courses.

Moved by Mike Vancea and Carla that after the referees have completed 9 House League games they will receive a \$75.00 bonus. The motion carried.

There will be no change in House League referee fees this year.

Travel referee fees will be as mandated by SWRSL.

SSA report – Mike Vancea

There was no report available.

Minor Sports Council report – Kevin Machado

There was no report available.

Other reports

There were no other reports

Other Business

The Classic Tournament is June 8th and 9th and fast approaching. Mike Binns reported that we had sufficient Gold and Silver medals on hand. He will be ordering the date labels.

Parent volunteers will be scheduled to work in the food booth. Other Volunteers will be required to help with registration, etc.

We had to cancel our participation in the “in the Loop” show due to a lack of Volunteers. More effort will be made next year to ensure that we participate this very well attended event.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8.00 p.m. on a motion by Todd and seconded by Anita.

The motion carried.

Next meeting is June 11th at 7.00 p.m.