

Exeter Youth Soccer Monthly Meeting
Minutes of the Meeting
Sunday, January 25, 2008

Attending: Scott Albin, Linda Andrzejewski (Secretary), Pete Cress (Vice President), Rob Cymbor (Treasurer), Robert Gunderson, Stu Johnston, Kim Mazur (President), Jeff Plue, Chris Snyder, Adam Wilson, Cindi Wilson (Registrar).

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. at the Dunn Community Center.

One of the first items of discussion was the website. Kim mentioned that he is going to try to get more up on the website.

The open board positions were discussed. Jen Munter has volunteered to be the U-8 coordinator. Other open positions include the U-7 Coordinator, the Boys Director, Fields and Goals Coordinator. It is very important that a Fields and Goals Coordinator is found, as this person will be responsible for putting the goals together and lining the fields.

Kim stated that there will be an EPYSA coaches' workshop on February 7th at Downingtown United Sports Training Center. A flyer was distributed at the beginning of the meeting. This is a good opportunity for coaches to learn more.

Vice President's Report: Pete reiterated the need for a Boys Director.

Secretary's Report: Nothing new to report, as this is the first meeting as the new secretary.

Treasurer's Report: Rob had to leave early, but distributed a sheet with the current state of the Association's accounts. Currently there is \$13,841.61 in the savings account and \$4,496.84 in the checking account. The Association has \$4292.08 in credits from spring registration and a total of \$3,536.15 in debits.

The overall budget was discussed. Cindi stated that we had one fine last year from RBJSL for a "no show" to a meeting (\$50).

RBJSL Report: Kim attended the last RBJSL meeting.

1. The Team submission was due on January 14th.
2. The RBJSL Fotsal Tournament at Body Zone was a success. There are more tournaments planned in spring and over the summer.
3. There will be a referee course offered. Every community should have 1 referee for every two teams. Exeter is covered, as we have about 11-12 referees.
4. A coaches clinic will be offered in the future, but there are no plans as of yet.
5. Each club must provide RBJSL a list of officers. This has already been done for EYSA.
6. The current throw-in rule was discussed. The current rule allows team subs only on their own throw-in. If changed (to be like the PIAA rule), the rule would allow both teams to sub on throw-ins.
7. There was discussion about the notion of "stacked teams". One coach complained that this is a problem on some teams. The Board does not know what to do about this and would prefer that the clubs should police this issue on their own. RBJSL may have a

motion passed next month in regards to this. Discussion at the EYSA meeting includes the possibility of coordinating the distribution of schedules at the same time as the premier leagues. Another idea was to allow kids from premier teams to only be allowed to play on T-1 teams or on the next team up. Kim's concern is that if RBJSL decides to rule on this, the rule may not capture everything and leave a loophole open.

8. The relegation meeting was held on January 19th.
9. The spring registration deadline is January 31st, with final roster revisions due on March 22nd.
10. There will be a mandatory coaches meeting on February 26th at 7 p.m. at Fleetwood Area H.S.
11. The season starts the week of March 14th and will end April 26th (barring rain-outs).

Registrar's Report: Cindi stated that she put calls out to coaches to get passes and needs to get them back. She reminded coaches that they may only make 6 changes. Coaches are permitted to add and delete kids, but only allowing 6 changes. Coaches making more than 6 changes will become "in-house" team and not permitted to participate in tournaments.

U-6-U-8 Coordinator Report: None

Girls Coordinator: The girl's rosters are coming together. The Coordinator is new to the position and has no evaluations or data. At this point there will be 1 U-9 team, 1 U-10 team, 1 U-9/U10 mixed team, 1 U-11 team, 1 U-11/ U-12 team, 1 U-12/U-13 mixed team at the U-13 level. The teams should be done soon.

Boys Coordinator: Again, there is no Boys Director at this time. Pete stated that there are the following teams for spring: 1 U-9 T-3, 2 U-10 T-2 teams, 1 U-11 with 19 kids, 1 U-12 team. With the high number on the U-11 team, e-mails have been sent out to see if one kid would play up with U-12. The question was posed of what would happen with 19 kids? The answer was that one kid could not be in uniform. In addition, it is hard to sub with 19 kids.

Indoor Coordinator: No report.

Field Commissioner's Report: Jeff wanted to thank Keith DeLong and Rob Gunderson for helping to take down the nets at Lorraine, Lausch, and Jacksonwald. They are still in Rob's truck. Jeff wanted to know about being a RBJSL rep. He was designated a rep by the Club. Permits will be done in June so that we have the best schedule for the fields.

Kim mentioned that we will hold a separate coaches meeting before the February meeting to get coaches involved with the taking down of goals and nets at the end of the season.

Cindi mentioned that passes will be distributed at the February RBJSL meeting. Coaches will need to get their PS-1's to her ASAP.

In regards to field selection, Kim stated that fields will be selected based on coaches' seniority. Jeff stated that maybe it could be done on a point system based on experience. Rob mentioned that it could also be based on a point system for coaches who show up at Board Meetings.

Scott Albin, a parent, said that maybe EYSA could look at Exeter LL to get more people involved. Exeter LL requires all parents to do something. EYSA needs more help. Scott mentioned the possibility of getting sponsorships and parents to help get sponsors. Maybe we should have all parents do something or pay more money (buy-out).

Along this same subject, Kim said that it would be great if more coaches and parents attended more meetings. He said that he hopes to have open coaches' forums at the conclusion of each monthly meeting. He also hopes to improve face-to-face communication with parents and coaches. There was discussion about having Board members meet with the parents at the beginning of the season.

Field and Goals Coordinator Report: Kim reported that we are investigating paint companies to purchase new paint. We need to make sure we get the paint and sprayers from the same company, as often paint will not spray in different sprayers.

Coaching and Player Development: No report from Troy. No one has been able to reach him. Kim stated that he has some ideas in regards to coach development. EYSA would like to have a coaches' clinic. Kim stated that the Association is here to support the coaches. He stated that maybe we should try to find coaches first and try to build teams around the coaches. He wants the coaches to feel welcome by providing educational opportunities and support. He believes that this will help coaches stay on board for a long time and also keep players, too.

Equipment Coordinator's Report: John—no report. Kim stated that we need to get a general inventory of equipment to determine what purchases are necessary. Jeff said that two sets (one large and one small) of nets may need to be replaced. The nets at Lausch may need to be fixed but should be ok for spring.

Uniform Coordinator's Report: No report.
Shane does have a couple of sets of uniforms for new players.

Website Coordinator's Report: No report.
Kim and Cindi explained what had happened with spring registration. Evidently, our online payment company, Count Me In (CMI), had a lawsuit pending. They were unable to accept credit card payments. Cindi said that moving forward with fall registration, we will be using EPYSA. Cindi explained that she needs to set up credit card fees with EPYSA.

Kim stated that he will be in touch with Dave to keep site up and allow viewers to use more functions.

Volunteer Coordinator: Rob had nothing to report.

Old Business: None.

New Business: There was a motion by Kim to purchase a new laptop for Cindi not to exceed \$700 for the use strictly of the Association. The motion was seconded by Cindi. There was discussion as to how we would monitor what all the computer was used for. Pete stated that the computer could be viewed at the monthly meetings. In addition, Jeff mentioned that maybe the Association could take care of Cindi's internet costs as well. Cindi stated that she currently has DSL which is slow. She

does not know the cost to upgrade. **The motion to purchase a new laptop for Cindi not to exceed the \$700 carried 10-0-0.**

Pete made a motion to allow Cindi Wilson to investigate the improvement and upgrade of her internet service to a higher speed not to exceed \$25 per month. The motion was seconded by Jeff. The motion carried 10-0-0.

There was discussion in regards to the possibility of getting more sponsorships. Pete and Jeff stated that we could get the community more involved with these sponsorships. Kim stated that if we did so, he would want to keep the sponsors involved by updating them on the teams. The hope is to get more parents involved with this as well. Linda stated that we had discussed this previously and are looking into different policies in regards to sponsorships (i.e. who we would want as sponsors) as well as what parameters we need to follow with being a non-profit organization. There was also some discussion about getting a committee together to run sponsorships.

The next item to discuss was the acceptance of the coaches for spring. Spring coaches include John Miller, Kim Mazur, Angela Renski, Chris Snyder, Rob Gunderson, Stu Johnston, Phil Bentz, Todd Tomczyk, Adam Wilson, Pete Cress, Rob Rousseau, and Tony Danatonio. **Kim made a motion to accept the spring coaches. Pete seconded the motion. The motion carried 10-0-0.**

Rob asked about assistant coaches. Kim said that assistant coaches would be up to the head coaches. Rob mentioned that he may need more than one assistant as there would be problems with schedule conflicts. Kim stated that a third coach would have to get a pass and go through risk management.

There was a motion to adjourn by Cindi, seconded by Rob. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Andrzejewski,
Secretary