

EYSA BOARD MEETING – MINUTES

June 26, 2016

In attendance: Todd Reinert, Morgan Miller, Rob Cymbor, Nicole Henry, Jackie McCarty, Tim Peterson, Brandon Putt, John Woram, James Noel, Tom McAuliffe, Jason Mell, Jon “Corky” Steiger.

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm.

May 2016 minutes were approved (1st Rob, 2nd Jackie).

PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

- Next EYSA night at Reading United is July 17. Admission free for kids wearing their EYSA game jersey, and adult fee reduced from \$8 to \$5. Fee waived for kids wishing to be escorts or ball runners.
- Mt. Penn asked us if we can accommodate some of their players who don’t have a place on a Mt. Penn team.

VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

- Approximately \$22,000 was raised from the Berks Classic Tournament. After expenses, we will split about half of that with Governor Mifflin. Next year consider having boys and girls play on separate weekends – plan for Saturday with Sunday reserved for rain date.
- Sneaker Villa needs travel player rosters by July 1 so they can start assigning numbers to uniforms of new players. NOTE: If players are added after SV has the list, we must let SV know.

SECRETARY’S REPORT:

Summary from monthly RBJSL meeting: Reading United has openings for player escorts (any age) as well as ball runners (age 11+) for home games 7/2 and 7/17; contact Candace Hall if interested (484) 219-2926. Deadline to register teams is 7/13. Relegation is 7/18 at 7:00 pm at the Fleetwood Community Center. Mandatory coach meetings are 7:00 pm at Fleetwood High School 8/25 and 8/29 (coaches only need to attend one). Fall season is 9/10 through 11/13. No games Columbus Day weekend. Play-offs scheduled for 11/19 and 11/20 for T1 and T2 teams. Even birth years will typically play on Saturdays, odd birth years will typically play on Sundays. During relegation they will follow the new bylaws for placement of teams. If the club has field changes, including adding fields, Ed Fink must be notified ASAP. Make sure the coaches know what fields their games are scheduled for because RBJSL has had to field many phone calls. RBJSL will only be collecting checks for registered teams at relegation; EPYSA fees will be collected another time. Player pictures need to be updated every 2 years because they get kicked out of the system. Coaches only need to update pictures if their appearance has changed dramatically. The league would like to officially implement the rule to allow teams to “piggy back” subs. However, we were unable to vote due to lack of quorum. Hopefully all refs will be aware of new rule but ultimately they will do what they want. As of this meeting date, there still has not been a law passed regarding heading.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

- Financials were reviewed. 501c3 status on hold until bylaw revisions are completed.
- Rob is looking into alternate port-a-potty companies.

REGISTRAR’S REPORT:

- Jackie needs to know what fields each team will be playing on so she can submit to RBJSL with teams.

BOYS’/GIRLS’ DIRECTOR REPORTS:

BOYS: Tim is hoping to have all teams done by 7/8. Still need to find some coaches.

GIRLS (absent): Still working on teams, still need some coaches.

YOUTH DIRECTOR'S REPORTS:

- Spring season finished. Number dwindled the last few weeks. Suggest next year start earlier to better align with of school. Jim would like to get feedback using SurveyMonkey for other suggestions for next year. Finding volunteers especially for younger ages was challenging – consider offering incentive during registration process.
- Jim and Tom will be following new guidelines for field size in the fall.

CPD DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Goalkeeping clinics are done, went well. Numbers dwindled after school ended so consider starting earlier next year. Good feedback from parents.
- EPYSA coach clinics will be at the Farming Ridge pavilion the first night of goal/striker camp (7/19). No cost to parents/coaches but will ask for sign-ups so we can prepare.
- Kick arounds will be Wednesdays in July at Farming Ridge 6:30pm-7:30pm. Need at least one board member at each session. Board members and other volunteers should use Sign Up Genius link to confirm availability.
- Time to start thinking about winter training so we can reserve field time. We will run U5/6 ourselves but will employ Eric Franks to handle the other groups.

FIELD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

- Need to confirm which fields we're using soon so we can order paint and get fields moved and relined.
- Corky suggested we talk to Exeter school's Tom Legath about parking on the grass during our picnic.

EQUIPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Need to get goals back from Governor Mifflin.
- Coach bags will be given to travel coaches at our coach meeting.

FUNDRAISING DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Chick-fil-a spirit week netted us \$153.
- We will use Home Depot location again for Kauffman's fundraiser.
- We need to lock in date for winter fundraiser at Schmeck's (we're aiming for 1/28).
- Sponsors for team shirts are coming in strong.

WEBSITE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Jason will get monthly analytics reports so he can share information with current and potential sponsors.
- Jason will look at other programs that allow us to send more marketing friendly emails (logos, formatting, etc.).

OLD BUSINESS:

- Rob reviewed bylaw changes with Chris Branscome. A few other suggestions were made. Jason will type them up and send out for legal review.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Nicole will send an email regarding uniform changes for Fall 2017.
- Exeter coach meeting will be Sunday, July 24 at 6:00 pm. Concussion training first for all coaches. Then practice field selection and other business for travel coaches. Nicole will contact Tom Franek, and will update coach manuals and hand-outs.

- Corky brought up the concern about coaches using our resources to develop players, then walking away with all the players. This causes severe shortages in some age groups. After discussion we decided while an unfair practice, there is nothing we can do to control it.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm (1st by Brandon, 2nd by Corky).

Next meeting is June 26 at 7:00 pm.

Interim business was conducted by the Executive Board members (Todd Reinert, Morgan Miller, Rob Cymbor, Nicole Henry) on 7/18/16 at 8:19 pm for the purpose of establishing a guideline in how the Girls' and Boys' Directors handle players who miss evaluations due to injury. With the start of the fall season quickly approaching, this matter needed to be addressed immediately as it came to light that the process was not consistent on both the girls' and boys' sides. Morgan made a motion that, if a player misses evaluations due to injury and the board was notified ahead of time, the directors consider past Reading United or Coach evaluations before placing a player on a team; if a player does not have evaluations on file, the Girls'/Boys' Director will ask for feedback from two former coaches. These coaches may be a Head Coach, Assistant Coach, or a Coach from another team but may not be the player's parent. The motion was 2nd by Nicole. During the vote, Morgan and Nicole voted "yes." Rob abstained. Todd only needed to vote in the case of a tie. Motion was passed.

Interim business was conducted by the Executive Board members (Todd Reinert, Morgan Miller, Rob Cymbor, Nicole Henry) on 7/20/16 at 7:50 pm to revote on the motion discussed 7/18/16 (see above). The reason for this revote is that it was unclear how many executives needed to vote to constitute a majority vote. Morgan restated the motion mentioned above. The motion was 2nd by Nicole. During the vote, Morgan, Nicole and Todd voted "yes." Rob abstained. Motion was passed.

Interim business was conducted by the Executive Board members (Todd Reinert, Morgan Miller, Rob Cymbor, Nicole Henry) on 8/4/16 at 8:20 pm so that President Todd Reinert could officially accept the resignation of Boys' Director Tim Peterson.