

**EYSA Board Meeting  
November 19, 2017**

Called to order 6:10pm

Attendees: J. Noel, R. Matijasich, M. Gilbert, T. Schlappich, J. Harron, M. Conte, T. Reinert, B. Putt, C. Steiger

Guest Attendees: Ann Hearing, Lisa Brown

October Minutes approved (Corky, Troy)

**President:**

- Discussion
  - Corky raised a concern regarding Facebook communications. Recently there were some comments posted on the page by parents that were deemed inappropriate and not representative of the views of EYSA. Question raised: can we moderate comments on Facebook more effectively? John can moderate the content on our Facebook page and will remove detrimental or inappropriate comments from the page.
  - Corky also suggested we refrain from advertising premier activities/ programs (FC, Rage)
  - Concerns regarding recent behavioral issues at games (parents being ejected, multiple yellow cards). Board will reinforce the code of conduct. A player code of conduct will be drafted and distributed to players for upcoming seasons.

**RBJSL Update:**

- The league is concerned about the cost of playoffs.
- Recognized relegation issues considering going back to 3 tier system next year

**Guest attendee discussion:**

Ann raised concerns about quality of refereeing during the Fall season. She said it was poor this year and asked what can be done to improve the quality moving forward. Corky was informed that a new referee assigner will be in place next year. There have been several instances where parents and coaches have been verbally abusive to referees. Additionally, the league has been having difficulty finding and retaining new referees. The Board will raise these issues during a future RBJSL meeting.

**Girls Director:**

- Mike Schaffer submitted a request via e-mail to be shared with the Board. He requested the Board consider allowing EYSA to pursue non-RBJSL activities in the Spring (e.g., participate in tournaments). We will add this topic to the December Agenda and invite coaches to come to the meeting to discuss alternatives for the Spring season.
- Pancake breakfast advertising is being developed and will be distributed late December.

**VP:**

Nothing to report

**Secretary:**

- Absent for report due to personal commitment.

**Boys Director**

- Lisa came to discuss an incident involving her son and another player during practice. Lisa reported that a team mate punched her son in the face. Corky investigated the incident and learned the two players were going shoulder to shoulder during a practice activity and it escalated to the point where a punch was thrown. BJ decided to suspend the player who threw the punch for playoffs. Lisa and her husband were satisfied with the way the matter was handled. Lisa supported implementing a player code of conduct and emphasized the importance of enforcing the code.
- Todd papich asked if we can sponsor players if they can't afford to pay for registration/equipment. The Board has approved sponsoring players in the past and will continue to evaluate requests on a case by case basis. Ann recommended we inform coaches about the option for sponsoring players who may be candidates for sponsorship

**CPD:**

- Winter registration link is live. Flyers have been distributed to most schools. 2010 players will have the option to register for the winter and participate in the recreation program instead of InstaSkills.

**Equipment**

- Goals locked at Exeter Bible and Loraine.
- Collecting coaches bags to inventory equipment and prepare for the Spring

**Web Director:**

- Jon will continue to monitor content posted on Facebook per prior discussion.

**Fields:**

- Playoffs went very well. Ed and Trish were very happy with how playoffs were handled. Trout run and Lausch will be closed in the spring. The fields are in poor condition.
- Vendors sold a lot less than anticipated. Rainy weather impacted sales.
- General discussion re: potential vendor locations if EYSA hosts the playoffs next year.
- The township was happy with playoffs.
- Suggestion for next year - improve field marking and signage.
- We need two-way radios if we are hosting playoffs or tournaments in the future.
- Request to add Fall tournament to December agenda. Need to have the decision made by January to allow enough time to plan.

**Youth Director**

- Hosted a party for a U5/6 team who did not receive awards at the U5/6 end of season party. Parents and players were happy with the celebration.

- Need to discuss registration dates for Spring. Last year it opened one week prior to the holiday break. Jim asked to have registration open the first week of December. Corky will reach out to Jackie to ask her to setup registration for Spring.

**Nominations:**

- President
  - Corky Steiger (Troy, Jim)
- Secretary
  - Brandon Putt (Corky, Mike)
- U 5/6 Coordinator
  - Jim Noel (Troy, John)
- CPD
  - None
- Girls Director
  - Marisa (Troy, Jim)
- Fields Director
  - Troy (Jim, John)
- Fundraising Director
  - None

Next Meeting December 17, 2017

Adjourn 7:41 (Jim, Todd)