

Wakefield Soccer Association
Monthly Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2013 – 8:00pm

Board Members Present: President – Mike Boudreau; Secretary – Brian Leishman; Travel Director – David Dube; Intramural Director – Chris Smith; Director of League Relations – Stephen de Garavilla; Director of Fields & Facilities (interim) – Jim McGovern; Director of Website / Equipment – Erik Domingo; Treasurer – Jim Rollins; Director of Risk Management – Mike Kilkelly

Absent: Director of Referees – vacant; Director of Fundraising – Matt Lane; Registrar / Director of Volunteerism – Anne Miller;

6 WSA members in attendance

- **Secretary's Report** – Reviewed and accepted minutes from December 5 meeting
- **President's Comments** –
 - **Upcoming Annual Meeting in February**
 - The board will be proposing some bylaw changes
 - Extend term limit for president from 4 years to 5 years
 - Restructure of board
 - Limit the number of voting positions
 - Add three at-large voting positions
 - All existing roles will continue to exist
 - **Director of Coaching Search**
 - Matt Colven will not be returning
 - Our contract with Challenger has ended
 - Board met with Tom Goodman (formerly of Mass Youth Soccer) to discuss the DoC role and the direction of WSA
 - Considering vendor option vs. direct hire
 - **Field Situation improves dramatically in the spring**
 - Walton light ETA: mid-March
 - We'll have Beasley almost entirely to ourselves
 - Plan is to use it for U12 games
 - Per Rick Stinson, the town will line it with two fields cross-ways
 - Final logistics still being sorted out
 - Town (Chip Tarbell, permanent building committee) is not a big fan of finishing the fence around Walton field
 - They're okay with temporary ropes just to keep parents off the field
 - Mike to consult with Steve Maio regarding availability of Comverse
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - Jim reviewed the December financial report
 - Mike Kilkelly requests that, now that we are at mid-year, we compare the finances with our projected budget
- **Intramural Program**

- Registration should open within the next 10 days or so
- U5 – U7 at Comverse
- U8 at Doyle
- **MYSL Report**
 - Towns should be getting division requests into the league and rosters into Sports Manager
 - At February meeting, MYSL will go over placements
 - Should be finalized by end of Feb
 - Our goal is to make the spring experience as positive as possible
 - No specific discussion of Referee Assignment
- **Travel Program**
 - Our discussion with Tom Goodman revealed that many of his recommendations are things that WSA is already doing
 - Tom did recommend that all our travel coaches be licensed
 - TOPS program awarded two coaches of the year awards
 - All coaches (head & assistant) need to fill out coach application form on the WSA website
 - Still waiting for team photos from Crowley Photo so we can get player photos uploaded and passcards printed
 - We recommend that towards the end of the spring, teams play in-town friendlies against higher age group
 - There will be a second day of U16 & U18 tryouts soon
 - Latitude is a good indoor location
- **Equipment Report**
 - Nothing to report
- **Next meeting:** February 6
- **Adjourned at 8:40**