

Wakefield Soccer Association
Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 9, 2016 – 8:30 pm

Board Members Attendance:

President – David Dube	Present	Director of League Relations – Stephen DeGaravilla	Absent
Treasurer – Anne Miller	Present	Director of Risk Management – Michael Kilkelly	Present
Secretary – Brian Leishman	Present	At Large Member – Matt Lane	Absent
Director of Travel – Chris Wilson	Absent	At Large Member – Cleo Rizos	Present
Director of Intramural – Bill Kidder	Present	At Large Member – Ben Schools	Present
Director of Fields – Mike Boudreau	Present		

Also Present: Director of Coaching – Michael Caine

7 WSA members in attendance

- **Secretary's Report** – Reviewed and accepted minutes from January 12, 2016 meeting as presented
- **President's Comments (David Dube)**
 - There are many changes coming from Mass Youth Soccer, including:
 - Age group changes
 - Concussion protocol
 - Field & goal changes
 - Some changes will go into effect in Fall 2016, some in Fall 2017
- **Treasurer's Report (Anne Miller)**
 - Current assets and equity: \$140,788.20
 - Change of -\$18,699.42 since December
- **Intramural Program (Bill Kidder)**
 - Bill and Chris are transitioning the Director role
 - No major changes
 - Season starts April 3rd and runs to June 5
 - Games: Sundays at Beasley
 - Academy: Wednesdays at Mullen
 - No sessions on Mother's Day and Memorial Day weekends
- **Travel Program (David Dube)**
 - Chris Wilson broke his leg over the weekend
 - We'll get the info and player cards distributed
 - Coaches, if you need to add a coach, please contact:
 - Michael Kilkelly for CORI
 - Stephen DeGaravilla for roster
 - Chris Wilson
 - Please get your travel players to register ASAP
 - Deadline is next Tuesday, 2/15
 - This deadline should allow Chris to adjust as necessary to account for players who drop
 - Please let Chris know as soon as you know a player won't be returning

- **MYSL Report (David Dube)**
 - At most recent meeting, Player Pass has been suspended for the Spring season
 - This is due to October state change on dual-rostering rule that limits players to one team per league
 - Spring season starts April 9th
 - Mem Day weekend games have been scheduled as placeholders, you must reschedule makeups prior to that date
 - Annual General Meeting is May 5th
 - Commissioner's Cup June 18-19
 - MTOC June 24-26
 - Transition plans for Mass Youth Soccer changes were discussed at last MYSL meeting
 - New concussion policies will be coming soon
- **DoC Report (Michael Caine)**
 - CDC has a good 20 minute concussion training session online
 - We should be teaching and stressing proper heading technique
 - March 5th – Coaches training session (rescheduled from March 12)
 - Galvin 10am – noon
 - Basic techniques and skills
 - We need a minimum of 10 coaches
 - Multi-team training sessions will be scheduled again this spring
 - 150 kids in Winter training
 - Runs through March 20th
- **Equipment Report**
 - Cleo is no longer in this role, but she will remain through Spring season
 - If you have a player who lost a uniform, contact Cleo, who will work with Chris
 - Keepers need to provide their own gloves
- **Referee Report (Michael Kilkelly)**
 - Ivan will stay on as assigner through spring
 - There will be ref meetings prior to the season
- **Field Report (Mike Boudreau)**
 - All travel teams will play on turf
 - Walton, Mullen and Beasley
 - Non-turf: Dolbeare, Sullivan
 - Practice schedule will be finalized within the next couple of weeks
 - A practice slot signup link will be emailed
 - League is finalizing game schedule
 - Member question: are we aware of reports of dangers of turf fields (carcinogens)
 - WSA would likely defer questions to MYSL or Mass Youth Soccer
 - Point of clarification – the fields are owned by the town
 - Board will do some investigation and report at next month's meeting
- **Next meeting: Tuesday, March 8th**
- **Adjourned at 9:15**