

Boyertown Soccer Club
General Board Meeting Minutes
February 23, 2012

Meeting Start Time – 7:05 PM

Attendance

- Mark DeCocinis
- Jason Fox
- Jarrett McGinniss
- Steve Riviello
- Stew Sherk
- Michael Ward
- Brad Wenger

Guests

- Mel Recke – Registrar
- Mitchell Braverman – Ayers Promotions
- Jen Gallagher – Spirit Wear
- John Neison
- Ernie Willson
- Kevin Morris
- Jason Pratt

Executive Portion

- An executive session was held from 7:05-8:10 pm. Executive minutes distributed to board members.

Opening Remarks - none

Guest Presentation

- Ayers Promotions, Mitchell Braverman
 - Presented options to become the spirit wear vendor for BSC.
 - Promotional items include shirts, sweatshirts, magnets, water bottles, etc.

Meeting Minutes

- The minutes from the executive portion of the January 17, 2012 public meeting were presented for approval. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Stew and seconded by Mark. All were in favor and the motion passed.
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Financial Report and Bills - Report by Jason Fox, Treasurer

- Jason submitted the financial report.
 - All accounts are current and all bills have been paid
 - Spring fees are paid for
 - Referee class is reconciled.
 - Payment was made to Craig Birtwistle for the month of January.
- Marcus Knoblauch submitted a reimbursement form and copy of his coaching license for a recently completed USSF 'E' licensing course and will be reimbursed for the course.
- A late fee was inadvertently applied to an intramural player who registered on the final day of registration. The late fee will be refunded.
- A motion to approve the financial report and to pay the monthly bills was made by Stew and seconded by Jarrett. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Intramural – Report by Mark DeCocinis, Vice President-Director of Intramural

- SCSL meeting was held. Clubs were informed that no currently carded travel players will be able to play in SCSL in the spring. Any BSC travel players who registered for intramural and are age eligible for SCSL will be informed that they are unable to play.
- Spring Registration
 - Registration closed on February 15th with the totals listed below. Age group and number of players in ():
 - U18 (4); U16 (10); U14 (33); U12 (63); U10 (64); U8 (50); U7 (35); U6 (82)
 - Head and assistant coaches are still needed at some age groups.
 - An email will go out to all U18 players from the fall and those who are registered for the spring to find some more players at that age group.
- Spring coaches meeting will be held on March 14 and 15 at Boyertown Borough Hall.
- Spring registrations will be checked to see if there were any sponsors.

Travel - Report by Brad Wenger, Vice President-Director of Travel

- BSC Travel Policies were approved by the travel committee. Highlighted changes included:
 - All coaches must reapply each season
 - Language added throughout to include role of Director of Coaching
 - Made primary and secondary uniform colors mandatory, with an optional third color.
 - Require all travel teams to have team checking account.
 - A motion to approve the travel policies was made by Jarrett and seconded by Mike. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- Alliance

- Steve and Brad attended another meeting regarding the Alliance.
- The Club Alliance would be a summer select program, allowing our better players to train and compete with the better players from surrounding clubs during the summer.
- The players would remain with their home clubs for the fall and spring seasons.
- A motion to approve Steve Riviello and/or Brad Wenger to represent BSC as voting members of the Alliance was made by Stew and seconded by Jarrett. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- Travel tryout dates will be between April 16, 2012 and May 11, 2012. The specific dates will be determined by the head coach at each age group.
- RBJSL General Meeting – February 8, 2012
 - Brad attended the general meeting
 - Spring coaches meeting is February 23, 2012 at 7:00 pm.
 - EPYSA has gone back to Youth Leagues and has moved away from GotSoccer.
 - Vote was held regarding 8v8 vs. 11v11 for the U12 age group for the fall. By a 12 to 7 vote, the RBJSL membership approved going to an 8v8 format for the U12 age group in the fall of 2012. Any U12 team that wants to play 11v11 will need to play in the U13 age group.
- Celebrating team success! Congratulations to the following teams:
 - U9 Bears – EPYSA Indoor State Cup - Semi-finalists
 - U9 Independence – Blue Mountain Indoor Tournament – Champions
 - U12 Red Lions – EPYSA Indoor State Cup – Champions
 - U13 United – EPYSA Indoor State Cup – Champions
- Beginning in the spring, the travel fields will be lined by paid individuals rather than from parent volunteers from each travel team.

Land and Fields - Report by Jarrett McGinniss

- Jarrett has taken over some of the responsibilities of land and fields. Steve will continue to be involved in the land portion.
- Jarrett went around to all of the fields and found that a lot of work needed to be done:
 - New nets need to be put on many of the goals.
 - A goal needs to be ordered for Middle Creek.
 - There are old goals at Washington that need to be removed.
 - Many sandbags are ripped.
- Travel field use for spring
 - Practices can be held at New Hanover, Victoria Park/Washington El. (Friday nights and Sundays only). Douglass Park (Steve will check availability with Boyertown Lacrosse).

Training – Report by Craig Birtwistle, Director of Coaching

- Craig was not present at the meeting, but submitted a report to the board.
- Craig submitted an account of his tasks during January and the beginning of February.
- Summer Camps
 - EPL will be secured to run an intramural camp for the club.
 - Offered will be a day camp, sometime between the second and final week of July.
 - Craig will make the arrangements with EPL.
- Craig will pursue hosting a USSF “E” and USSF “D” course in the near future.

Website

- EPYSA has gone back to Youth Leagues and has moved away from GotSoccer.
- BSC will remain with Blue Sombrero for the near future.
 - Steve will contact Blue Sombrero for someone to come out to the club to provide training on the site; registration features, pulling reports, etc.

Registrar – Report by Mel Recke, Registrar

- Releases and PS/1 forms are now being completed online; however, Mel will still be collecting a hard copy of the PS/1.

Old Business

- 2012 Referee Course is over and went well.

New Business

- New Score Contract
 - Score provided the club with a two year contract agreement, guaranteeing the cost of uniforms for the next two years.
 - A motion to approve the two year contract with Score was made by Jason and seconded by Jarrett. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- YMCA Dutch Auction, BES and GES Basket Party
 - The above organizations/schools requested for donations from BSC for their fundraisers.
 - A motion to donate one intramural registration and a soccer ball for each organization’s fundraising event was made by Brad and seconded by Jarrett. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- Ayers Promotions presented information earlier in the meeting. The club will discuss the spirit wear options.
- Photo Coordinator
 - An email went out to the club to find a new photo coordinator.
 - Brad will be talking with two individuals who expressed interest in helping the club in this capacity.

- Vonage
 - The club will be canceling its phone service with Vonage, as the club phone number is not being utilized.
- Referee Assigning Concerns
 - The club was asked to provide feedback regarding recently used referees and any predominant problems that have occurred.
 - A concern is when referees do not show up. This happens often in the spring.
 - Another concern is when referees do not change their shirt based on the jersey colors of the two teams.

Meeting End Time – A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 11:00 PM by Jarrett and seconded by Mike. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Next Scheduled Meeting – Executive Board Meeting, Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at the Boyertown Borough Hall.

Respectfully submitted by Brad Wenger