

Summary Meeting Minutes  
**General Board Meeting**  
January 16, 2014  
Held at Sand Creek Middle School

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm

**ROLL CALL:**

Pat wishes all a Happy New Year.

In following clubs were in attendance AB; AL; AM AV; BK; BE; BW; CM; CU; CA; CH; CP; CO; CT; CR; FT; FU; GA; GB; GV; GU; HH; HL; HF; ME; NL; NU; RO; SY; TV; VY; BS; MT; NS; NE; RW; BH; LC;

Dave stated there is a quorum.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Rotterdam SC will be hosting an open house at their new facility on Duaneburg Road on February 28<sup>th</sup>, al are welcome.

**SHELLY WOOD PHOTOGRAPHY:**

A presentation by the Shelly Wood Photography on what they can offer to clubs; handouts were given.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

The meeting minutes were reviewed and there are no corrections.

**FINANCES:**

Financials were reviewed; handouts were given; taxes have been filed; financials will eventually be posted on the website.

Any suggestions for the new website, please send them to the office; website went live to work with the team commitments that are due on the 24<sup>th</sup> of January. Website continuing to be worked on and will include all spring league information that is needed.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Berkshire Hills U18 Boys are requesting to play in the spring league as they have done in past years; a vote will be taken at the February meeting; the fields they play on are at Bard College in Great Barrington. The office will notify all clubs about this voting in February.

**REFEREES:**

CD Ref will be assigning referees this upcoming season for all games; Ron Clark will be the assignor; Ron can be reached at [assigner1cdref@gmail.com](mailto:assigner1cdref@gmail.com). CDYSL will have nothing to do with referee assigning; Ron will also continue to use the referee hotline which is 518-435-2329.

Aaron Corman will be the assignor for the tournaments; there is a new form for hosting tournaments; the application to host and all forms related should be sent to the office and they will alert the referee assignors and approve or deny the tournaments and forward it to ENYISA.

Tournaments can be found on the website by click on the tournament button; office adds to that as they receive information; this area will show all tournaments, local, regional and any out of town that we have information on.

Teams are given one no play date on the team commitments, please use it wisely such as tournaments, graduations or anything that requires the team not being able to play on that particular day; Paul Bascomb is now Chair of the Games Committee; all rescheduling must be approved by the office and there is an outline of what is an acceptable excuse to reschedule; all referees must be assigned by the referee assignor so please do not call the referees yourself.

Any individuals looking to become a referee, please visit the CD Ref website at [cdref.org](http://cdref.org) to find contact information for Ron Clark, Paul Bascomb or Mike Rennick to inquire about taking a class; the next class is scheduled for the 8<sup>th</sup> of February.

The experienced referees are down on numbers right now. There will be a few thousand games to be covered this upcoming season. Ron will do his best to cover all that is needed.

## **GAMES COMMITTEE:**

### **PRE-SEASON NECESSITIES:**

#### **Rosters, League Guests, Passes, etc.:**

Review of the handout that details various reminder for the upcoming spring season; if you have questions, please call the office.

Discussions on goal sizes; all in attendance stated they are good with the goals needed; any issues, please call the office.

Rescheduling games because a coach is not available will not be an approved reschedule request; any carded coach within a club can have that coach take over the team regardless if they are listed on that team roster; discussions on why certain ages play at certain times during the season; there is a comment area on the team commitments if you want special circumstances to be reviewed for scheduling. There are no paper team commitment forms, it is all done electronically this year; any issues, please call Kathy in the office.

Referee fees are listed on the website; reminder that U16 Division 1 and 2 games will have a three man referee system; each team pays half of the referee fees for every game; please check the league rules for the league game you are playing in, they differ within each league. Pay referees exact change on the fields, referees do not make change; do not make checks out to "cash" when paying a referee; do not assume that the referee assigned will be the one who shows to cover your game, circumstances arise that may need a change in referees for games.

CDYSL plays most of their games on Sundays, for those scheduling premier league games, please play those on Saturdays. ENYPL will change their schedules this season if games interfere with their primary league schedule.

Mother's Day and Father's Day will have games played on them this season; discussions on this matter as it does not follow the procedures in what CDYSL has in their books; Vote was taken and games will not be scheduled on Mother's Day and Memorial Day but games will be scheduled on Father's Day; if wanting to play a Father's Day tournament, you must play on the Saturday before Father's Day in order to not receive a rescheduling fee. Kathy will review the team commitments due to this change this evening and notify those

teams in case they wish to make a change to their team commitments; the last day to play in league play is generally the first week in July.

**WORKSHOP:**

Workshop is scheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup> at the Sand Creek Middle School; more details will follow as they are finalized; information will also be updated on the website.

**OFFICE:**

**REGISTRATIONS:**

Ahead of schedule compared to last year; deadline for registrations in the office for spring league play is February 28<sup>th</sup>; transferring between clubs freezes on March 1<sup>st</sup>; teams must identify their strongest to their weakest in any age/gender groups that they have more than one team; league guest passes can be processed after this is all finalized in the office.

**ENY:**

**MARKETING:**

ENYYSA is putting out \$100,000 for marketing, this is in addition to the \$50,000 they already spent last year; they want each league to have a marketing person; if anyone interested in this position, it is volunteer, please reach out to the office.

ENYYSA is looking to have winners in each age group; any suggestions, please call the office; we do not prioritize any particular age/gender in the league, they are all equal.

**ENYPL:**

Any conflicts with ENYPL games and CDYSL spring games, ENYPL will reschedule their games.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

ENYYSA asked for each of our club logos, Pat spoke with President of ENYYSA and clarified it was a logo for each league for their wall in their office.

Albany SC will be hosting their spring fling for the U08's and U10's; great opportunity for players and new referees; they will work with CDYSL and CD Ref; please attend it is a great experience; it has been free but if they charge it will be a very small fee; snacks can be purchased from their concession at this event.

Rotterdam is entering into the MVP project go-to-win where they could win \$2500. Please check this out and place a vote for Rotterdam. They could also win a Grand Prize of training with Abby Wambach; thank you in advance for your vote.

Next General Board Meeting will be held on February 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Sand Creek Middle School.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Recording Secretary