



General Board Meeting
Sand Creek Middle School Cafeteria
Thursday, October 11, 2018
7:00 PM

Call to Order

Roy Pfeil, 2nd Vice President called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Roll Call

Clubs present: AB; AL; AM; BE; BS; BW; BR; CL; CU; CH; CP; CO; CT; CR; DU; FU; GA; GP; GB; HF; LS; LC; NL; NY; NU; NE; RA; RW; SA; TV; and VY.

Clubs absent: AV; BK; CM; CA; CS; EM; FF; GV; HH; ME; NS; RO; SC; and WF

Reading and Adoption of the Minutes

Minutes were not taken for the previous meeting (June 2018).

Treasurer's Report – Dave Yule

Financials were distributed. Current assets are \$247,199.24, and the balance sheet total is \$271,823.25. Dave Yule reported that during this time of year, there are not many expenses, therefore the balance is higher than at other times of the year.

Communications:

Roy Pfeil requested a moment of silence for the girl's referee that was killed in the tragic limo accident in Schoharie that killed 20 people.

Comments from the Floor

None

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees

Standing Committee Reports:

1. Rules - Roy Pfeil

Roy indicated that the Rules Chairman position has been vacant for about 6 months. He encouraged anyone interested in the position to contact him.

2. Registrations – Tammy Kishbaugh

Tammy said that registrations are very slow right now. \$5,000 has been collected recently, but the majority is due to rec. ball.

3. Games – Paul Bascomb

Paul stated that fall ball is going well, with 105 teams participating. Although there was interest in adding a 6th grade division, only 1 team signed up.

Paul mentioned that the team commitment and registration (\$110) deadline has been extended to January 22nd. In previous years, team commitments were due January 8th, with registrations due at a later date. Last year, 42 teams withdrew due to inaccurate projections of team numbers and ages. The new deadline of January 22nd should allow for teams to get firm commitments from players, while solving the issue of the CDYSL reworking the scheduling due to teams withdrawing. He mentioned that the CDYSL office spends a lot of time putting together divisions, brackets and referees, and it is very time consuming when a group withdraws. A few smaller club members expressed concern about getting commitments that early. Roy P. suggested that clubs combine resources with other clubs. A Brunswick club member pointed out that it is difficult to combine clubs because of branding purposes. A member suggested that CDYSL create a different cut-off date for divisions 1 & 2 and a later date for divisions 3 & 4. Paul explained that it is easier to add teams in after the deadline than it is to have withdrawals, and he assured clubs that the CDYSL would work with them to be accommodate their needs. Another member commented that by not registering early, CDYSL will have difficulties accommodating all the teams (fields, referees). Afrim Nezaj felt that CDYSL is not being flexible enough and should investigate forming the brackets later than usual. Patty asked if there would be a penalty to register late. Roy stated that he would take the concerns back to the executive committee to review.

4. Finance & Scholarship – Dave Yule

Dave Y reported that they are looking for more members for both the finance and scholarship committee. Last year, the deadline for scholarships was February, but only had 4 students apply. However, when they extended the deadline to April, they received 28 applications.

5. Executive

No report

6. Membership – Afrim Nezaj

Afrim reported that Delaware County United Soccer Club (Delhi, NY) has applied to join CDYSL. Delaware (DCUYSC) indicated the league they are currently in is too small, therefore they are interested in moving to CDYSL. A concern was raised that DCUYSC is too far away, and Roy P. emphasized that DCUYSC would be required to travel to CDYSL's footprint. CDYSL will wait for more information from the club and their ability to play in CDYSL's current area before making a motion.

7. Zero Tolerance/Appeals – Roy Pfeil

Last season Roy issued 7-14 zero tolerance warnings while also notifying the clubs of potential consequences. Only 1 club received a \$50 fine last season. Roy asked that club Presidents communicate to all coaches that referees are not to request a spectator to leave the facility. Instead, the referee should report the issue to the home coach, and it is the home coach's responsibility to have an offending spectator removed. If the spectator will not leave the facility, the game is cancelled until the offender has left the facility. If there are repeated violations, it could result in fines, suspensions, or expulsions. Tammy keeps record of all the reports submitted. Afrim Nezaj recommended that CDYSL send a letter to all club Presidents explaining this rule and ask that they share this with all coaches. Roy also requested that Paul relay this information to the referees.

8. Arbitration

No report

9. Nominations

No report

10. Risk Management

No report

Special Committees

1. Programs – Roy Pfeil

a. Coaching Education – Roy Pfeil

Roy has been holding several Grassroots Coaching Education Courses this year. Contact Roy if your club would like to do the course. He stated that all new coaches need to go through the course. New coaches may take the online course for their first season of coaching (\$65), but must take the in-person course for subsequent seasons.

b. ODP Program – Tim Frament

First round of tryouts:

Date: October 28th

Location: Stringham Fields - 90 Stringham Rd,

Lagrangeville, NY 12540

Age Groups: Girls 2003 & 2004 - 8:30 AM - 10 AM

Boys 2002, 2003, & 2004 - 10 AM - 11:30 AM

OR

Date: October 28th

Location: Latham Circle - Bought, 539 Boght Rd,

Cohoes, NY 12047

Age Groups: Girls 2003 & 2004 - 2:30 PM - 4 PM

Boys 2002, 2003, & 2004 - 4 PM - 5:30 PM

Tim mentioned that if any members have players ready for ODP that have not attended tryouts, contact Roy. He will evaluate them during the first practice.

c. Exceptional Senior Showcase

Spring League trophies may be picked up at the office

d. Empire Cup – Roy Pfiel

Roy P. explained that a new committee has been formed to take a look at options for the Empire Cup. Committee members include Roy Pfiel, Dave Yule, and Steve. The committee feels that the Empire Cup is not successful as it is too late in the year, and on a bad weekend (graduation). The committee is researching a kick off tournament that would avoid other CDYSL club tournaments. The tentative date is April 6th & 7th and they have requested a bid from Afrim's new facility (class A facility). Roy suggested that Afrim would also run all operations/administration for the tournament. The Executive Board will look at Afrim's proposal in the next 2 months. Roy stated that since other tournaments are advertising now, if the Executive Board approves it, it will move forward without approval from the membership. Steve Yule asked if other member clubs could put in a proposal (not exclusive to Afrim). Roy said yes, however the club must be able to accommodate a venue if it snows. Proposal needs to be in prior to the next Executive Board meeting. Tammy will send out an email to all clubs notifying them of this opportunity.

Old Business

1. EDP Program – Tim Frament

Tim Frament gave an overview of the advantages and disadvantages of a club registering for the EDP program. The goal of EDP is that each team would get a weekly quality game within a distance of 90 minutes. EDP is going to run some qualifying leagues in Eastern New York to be used as a qualifier to get into the main EDP.

To play EDP, a club can register for EDP either directly or with CDYSL. Coach passes are not able to be obtained through EDP as they don't have risk management (register with Eastern New York for coach passes). He warned that if you register through EDP, the insurance will only be supplemental insurance for players. With CDYSL, players will get more insurance as well as board liability insurance. Registering for EDP directly is \$6.50 a player less expensive, however the team would need to send in birth certificates which can slow down the process. He pointed out that CDYSL doesn't require birth certificates.

Questions were asked about how passes would work between CDYSL and EDP, as well as risk management for coaches. Tim offered that those interested in EDP meet briefly after the meeting.

New Business

The Club Registrar will be meeting soon and will relay the info on the CDYSL procedures for registration to the club.

The topic of the registration deadlines was re-opened from the earlier discussion, and it was suggested that the CDYSL assist clubs in advertising.

Next board meeting is January 10th

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by the Brunswick soccer club, and seconded by Scott Swere (Bethlehem soccer club).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Mendy Varga
Recording Secretary