



**Executive Board Meeting | CDYSL Office
June 6, 2019 | 8:00 PM**

Call to Order

Timothy Owens, President, called the meeting to order at 8:10 pm. A quorum was established at 8:10pm.

Roll Call

Present: Mike Kinnally, Cathleen Knauf, Afrim Nezaj, Tim Owens, Roy Pfeil and Dave Yule.

Absent: Paul Bascomb, Tim Frament, Jon Caraco, and Tammy Kishbaugh.

Reading and Adoption of the Minutes

The May 2, 2019 executive committee office minutes were distributed and reviewed. Cathleen K. made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted, 2nd by Dave Y., motion carried unanimously.

Finance Report – Dave Yule

Dave Y. distributed the Profit/Loss statement & check detail.

Dave Y. mentioned that the statement does not reflect an Eastern New York payment of \$25,000. He did say that the budget is on track for this year - even though registrations are down, lower staff costs have balanced it out. Dave Y will email the executive board the projected budget for next year later this week.

Tim O. commented that Oneonta has a separate referee assigner. Typically, CDYSL pays the referee fees at the end of the season (same as CDRref). However, this year Oneonta has requested payment earlier. Tim O. would like to ask the board to consider making a partial payment halfway through the season.

Roy P. made a motion to accept the financial report, second by Cathleen K., motion carried unanimously.

Office Report – Tammy Kishbaugh (absent)

The May monthly report was not distributed, but was read/reviewed by Tim O.

The AGM will be on August 11th at Latham. Regarding coach licenses, the website is kept up to date for courses offered, link for the online portion is up to date. The venue for the fall ball program is being worked on with Maalwyck Park and Fifty FC. There are 4 clubs who have not registered any players with CDYSL in almost two years, and will become inactive with CDYSL on August 31st: Chatham Soccer Club, Cohoes Soccer Club, FC Empire and New Lebanon Soccer Club. Total number of players registered with Eastern New York is 7,819. Training of the registrars is going well and more than half have completed their training. Scholarship award winners will be presented at the June General Board Meeting. Tammy is working with Logical Net on the scheduling program that they are building for next season.

Roy P. asked where the players from the inactive clubs have gone, and Dave Y. responded that Cohoes players went to Latham.

Committee Reports:

1. Rules – Scott Swere (absent)

Tim O. mentioned that a meeting was conducted regarding the rules, and the following will be presented at the June General Board Meeting.

- a. Team commitment/registrations –streamline the process so that there is a set flat fee per team based on the age of the team. Technically it doesn't raise fees (depending on how many players are on the team). The fee structure will be U8 (roster max is 14 players)-\$600, U10-\$675, U12-\$750, and U14-\$824
 - a. This fee does include commitment fees, CDYSL and Eastern NY fees.
 - b. Mentioned that this could be difficult for some teams as we are asking more money upfront.

Roy P. mentioned that if there are only 10 kids on a team, it makes it much more expensive. It is going to be difficult for teams that are having trouble getting enough players. Cathleen K. asked what the purpose is for the change, and Tim O. said it is to streamline the process. Dave Y. proposes that this would be effective 2020-2021 because clubs have already done their budgets. Mike K. is concerned that if the number of games is lowered, and we are requesting payment upfront, clubs could vote the proposal down.

- b. Printing of the player passes would now be the responsibility of the clubs.

Cathy K. voiced a concern that teams will stack the roster. She has experienced that already with EDP.

- c. Raise Fall Ball fees from \$80 to \$100 per team. If the team then registers for the Spring league, they would receive a discount of \$50.

Cathy K asked what is the purpose of the 3 changes. Tim O. said there were many benefits:

- Payments would come in earlier
- Teams would have fully committed earlier
- Office could start to set up brackets earlier
- Player passes would go to the teams, so it would streamline the office, resulting in quicker turnaround time

Tim O. clarified that there is a problem getting the work into the office on time, which creates a backlog for the office. This would move more of the responsibility over to the clubs. May registrations were over 1,000 this year, which is very difficult for the office to process them all in a timely fashion. Tim O. said that the office would only need to verify and electronically approve the registrations.

Dave Y mentioned that when Eastern NY changes software companies (possibly January), the registrars may have to re-register their players with the new software unless the new system will import the players information.

Tim O said that because the board approved the recent duel registrations, the guest pass rules will also need to be adapted.

2. Finance – Dave Yule

Dave Y. reported that next years' budget will be emailed this week to the executive board and will be discussed at the general board meeting next week.

3. Games – Paul Bascomb (absent)

Tim O. reported that the season is in full swing, and because of weather, it will be going on to the end of June.

4. Membership/Nominations – Afrim Nezaj

There was a request from a club asking to join with only 1 team. Since the CDYSL rules require 3 teams in a club to join, it was suggested that they contact a neighboring club.

5. Registrations – Tammy Kishbaugh (absent)

This year was the largest number of players registered in May for the past 10 years, which caused a significant office backlog.

6. Zero Tolerance/Appeals – Roy Pfeil

Roy P. reported that there are several ZTEC reports, and the decisions have been made. Typically, Roy P. mentioned that he sends a warning or a small fine on the first report.

A discussion was had about raising the \$50 fines in the future, Roy P. said that this is

relatively new, and that there have only been 3 fines in 2 years, and that was because the club had already received a warning. There have been about 20 zero tolerance reports over the past 2 years.

7. Arbitration/Appeals – Tim Frament (absent)

No report

8. Scholarships – Dave Yule

No report

Special Committees

1. Programs – Roy Pfeil

a. Coaching Education – Roy Pfeil

Roy P. reported that Tammy K. has been given all the names of the people that have taken the in person

b. ODP Program – Tim Frament

Roy P. mentioned that this weekend is the Region One ODP tournament

c. TOP Soccer

No report

d. Coaches Workshop

No report

Unfinished Business

- 1. Bus Trip**– All seats were sold except for the two that were raffled off at the Coaches Workshop. Prior to the trip, the profit was projected at over \$500. Unfortunately, the Yankee Trails bus was reserved, and the bus never arrived for the trip. Because of this 14 people volunteered to drive everyone to the game and should be reimbursed for their mileage/tolls/parking.

Tim O. reported that Tammy K. has been in contact with Yankee Trails, and they originally offered to cover the cost of the bus and the tickets. Now the owner of Yankee Trails is offering to cover the cost of the bus plus \$50 Yankee Trails gift card for each of the 55 people on the trip. Some people have requested a full reimbursement because they didn't go on the trip once the bus didn't arrive.

Tim O. recommended that CDYSL make the situation public by going to the press/news outlets. Afrim N. and Roy P. disagreed. Dave Y. suggested threatening Yankee Trails with legal action.

2. **League Operations Director** – 5 resumes have been received. The deadline is Jun 15th.

New Business

1. **Empire Cup** - Roy P. requested that we commit now to the tournament location for the next three years. Afrim N. mentioned that he received a call asking about reserving his facility for next year, but can't reserve until he knows the CDYSL tournament date and if CDYSL will be staying at Afrims. Cathleen K. also mentioned that clubs want to reserve their tournaments soon.
2. Dave Y. mentioned that there is a disgruntled person planning to attend the June General Board meeting regarding a scholarship winner. Since the meeting is closed to club members and invited guests, Tim O. recommended contacting the Colonie Police and have the person removed.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Dave Y, and seconded by Cathy Y. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Mendy Varga
Recording Secretary