

Minutes for HSC meeting  
10/6/13

Attendance

Board Members – Rika S., Steve S., Allyson H., Peter F., Andrew T., Al A., Mike L., Karl S., Gerry H., Keith B.,

Non-board members – Rich K., Epiphany V., Peter W., Tom W.

In Town -

U6 – All is well.

U7 – Player issue. New to soccer and erratic in behavior with cognitive issues. Seems to want to hurt coaches in particular. Need to assign an adult, non-parent to the child at practices and games. Andrew & EJ to cover remaining practices. Need to look at MYSA rules on discipline and see what can be applied to this situation, if anything. Andrew to talk with EJ and Mickey and come up with a plan.

U8 – All is well.

Travel –

U10 – GU10 is going fine. No issues to report. BU10: The initial U10 player movement issue has affected the entire team. Have offered a 3<sup>rd</sup> coach if help is needed.

U12 – GU12A and GU12B switched flights. GU12A lost for the first time and GU12B won for the first time. BU12D played Boylston and lost 10 – 0 with no let up.

A.I. (For Whom?) Talk to other towns and see how they feel about the MTOC1.1 & MTOC 1.2 chaos. What is NVYSL's plan to fix this for the spring?

U14 – GU14: Some reports of coach tension BU14: Playing okay.

Challenger -- Visa issues with Niamh. Hope to only be affected for one week. Niamh in Canada while visa is being applied for. Steve and Tom working on covering her clinics. Challenger is reimbursing us for losing Niamh for a week.

Coach Development -- 16 coaches will be attending the G course. Plan to schedule a F course over the winter.

Finance -- HAA fees are still not proportional. HAA is able to reach into our accounts. HAA doesn't know how much we have in savings. Rich estimates around \$35,000 in reserves. There will be a \$7,700 shortfall this year. Part of this is a Challenger increase from last year. Current fees are \$75 for In-Town and \$90 for Travel. Do we increase registration fees? Mike to take another look at fees in other towns. Also, see if there's a difference between In-Town and Travel. We could also look at sharing Challenger coaches used during our Jamboree with other towns. And, perhaps, open ADP to other towns.

General Business -- Decision by Board to only require the Concussion certificate once a year. We should also formally announce that we'll accept the Bromfield Concussion certificate.

Andrew to send out a letter to parents thanking them for filling out our survey and to encourage feedback.

Could put discipline in a coach's email template for them to send to their team. Should we require a signed pledge from the children of each team or just parents?

Need a separate discussion about Parent's Pledge, Player's Pledge and the initial documents send to coaches from coordinators. Re-visit the Players' and Parents' code of conduct.

Vote: Children turning 4 prior to March 31<sup>st</sup> may play in that spring season. Motion passes unanimously.

Keith or Rika to talk to Soccer Stuff about Harvard Soccer Club items that can be purchased by players and parents. Challenger has already provided information on their offer.

A.I. Need to discuss Default Score for Jamboree.

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Rika to hold a Coordinators Discussion. All Board Members are invited.

A.I. Need to determine Club's philosophy on coaching. What makes a good coach?