

## **Middlesex Youth Soccer League**

### **MYSL Directors' Placement Meeting Minutes**

Towanda Club, Woburn, MA

January 15, 2009

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#### **Attendance**

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**Board Directors Present:** Mark Nasiff, Bob Fryer, Didier Barnes-Guzman, Mary Rogers, Mary Packard, Al Cosentino (non-voting), Rich Buck, Dan Baker, Kevin Brothers, Don Cowden, Mike Brown, Clark Caplan, Cathy Cresta, Jim Claroni,

**Board Directors Absent:** Dan Ford-Hunt, John Linnehan, , Ed Flanagan,

**Age Directors Present:** Scott Hillis, Ken Kimker, Tim Delaney, Bob Folk, Heather McSween, Jim Claroni, Tom Heinz, Jay Bromander, Dave Vigeant, Jeanne Buck, Thomas Guerriero, Russ Medeiros,

**Age Directors Absent:** Rich Altonaga, Mike Guzzi, Lori McLaughlin,

**Town Coordinators Present (MYSLREF.org upgrade determination only):** Tom Heinz (Medford), Bela Hasek (Burlington), Peter Majeski (Chelmsford), Heather McSween (Melrose), Leonard David (Malden),

**Town Coordinators Absent:** Dennis Goodine (Dracut), Andrea Collins (Revere), Joe Viselli (Stoneham), Joe Tassone (Woburn), Ann Marie Ely (Hanscom), Erica Foster (Somerville), Sal Schiavone (Tewksbury), Bill Meyer (Westford), Mike Buonopane (Everett), Albert Marquis (Lowell), Mike D'Ambrosio (Wilmington), Mary Rogers (Billerica), Stephen Gregorio (Burlington),. Dana Khoyi (Westford), Stephen DeGaravilla (Wakefield Jim Claroni, (Reading),

**Visitors:** Paul Tobin (Woburn)

*\*\* (Note- a person holding more than one position is listed only once unless also serving as a Town Coordinator)*

#### **Minutes of the Meeting**

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I. **Meeting called to order at 7:15pm** by Vice President Mark Nasiff

#### **II. Opening Remarks (M. Nasiff)**

A. Only 2 items will be discussed at the meeting

1. Upgrade to current MYSL referee database (myslref.org)
2. Placement of teams into Divisions for U10 – U14 and other placement issues

#### **III. Referee Database upgrade**

**Motion:** to allocate up to \$4625 from programming improvements to the myslref.org site (moved- T. Heinz, 2<sup>nd</sup>- D. Cowden; motion NOT approved by majority following discussion)

Discussion:

Following the Fall season, the MYSL Age Directors requested that certain improvements be made to the league's referee site—such as reporting to all ADs of red card and yellow cards, etc., etc. The proposal would add all of these enhancements to the current site and be functional by the spring season. The current referee committee was not convinced that the SportsManager platform could handle the complexity of the current site.

The argument against making the improvements included that it would be beneficial to the league to have all data housed within one site, and not have it separated. Additionally, it was noted that to date SportsManager has been very responsive to all requests for alterations made by the league. Cost is also a factor, in that the league would invest \$1000 in order to get the new system up and running by May 2009 for complete testing. It was noted that if the SportsManager system cannot accomplish the league's goals, we can go back to the current system.

#### **IV. Placement**

##### A. Placement of Revere teams

**Motion:** MYSL will place all of Revere's teams into the spring season and enable the MYSL officers to negotiate the balance of the payments owed the league with Revere Soccer League (moved- T. Heinz, 2<sup>nd</sup>- B. Folk; motion passed by majority with 6 abstentions following voting on substitute motion vote).

**Substitute Motion:** To return \$600 to Revere Soccer league and not accept any teams for the Spring 2009 season (moved- R. Buck, 2<sup>nd</sup>- M. Brown; motion NOT approved by majority vote)

Discussion:

Revere Soccer League is in disorder. They intend on having 3 teams play during the spring season. Concern revolved around 2 teams that were placed in the fall season which were pulled out after the schedule had been completed. These 2 teams were not requested for placement this spring. It was also noted that Revere acknowledged \$1300 in fines related to the teams' pull out and has already paid \$600 of those fines as a show of "good faith".

##### B. Team Placement

1. Each Age Director then made his / her recommendations regarding team placement in their respective age groups and divisions.

#### **V. Other Business**

##### A. Passcard Signatures

**Motion:** to eliminate the requirement that coaches must sign their passcards (*moved- M. Rogers, 2<sup>nd</sup>- K. Brothers; motion approved unanimously*)

## **VI. Motion to Adjourn**

**Motion:** that this meeting of the Middlesex Youth Soccer League Board of Directors be adjourned (*moved- M. Brown, 2<sup>nd</sup>- J. Bromander; motion approved unanimously*)

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Fryer

Secretary

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