



## **MINUTES**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**May 5, 2014**

**Neighbors Restaurant**

Present: Margaret Kerfoot, Leigh Palmer, Orest Fedak, Bob Amani, John Coffey, Brian Ebert, DJ Moutinho, Faith Boettger, Hadi Rezazad, Chuck O'Reilly, Dave Sheills, Bob Zadeh, Rod Hines, Eddie Lima – Technical Director, Mary Nunley – Administrator, Debbie Brenchick – Registrar, Liz DiFrancisco – Field Assignor, Anjali Thompson-WebMaster, Jane Dawber and Gerardo Ramirez- VYS Coaching Directors.

Guests: Peter Wacht, Scott Holec, Jamie Wilson, Andrew Ritter and Bryan Quinn

Absent – Mike Gurdak, Mary McIntyre, Al Nunley and Rod Hines.

President Margaret Kerfoot called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. with quorum present.

The minutes for the April, 2014 meeting were approved (motion by Bob Zadeh; second by Dave Sheills).

New Business:

Items presented “for the good of the game” included:

- The Board thanked all those that participated in organizing the Concussion Seminar. It was a great success. Information regarding concussions will be added to our website.
- Inquiry regarding effectiveness of goalies wearing head gear was brought up. No definitive conclusion from the professionals has been released.
- Brian Ebert stated that the Parent League is extremely happy playing at the new facility.

David Newberry's final NSCAA report should arrive in the next 2-3 weeks. He met with some of the board members prior to his departure and gave a preliminary report of VYS Strengths and Weaknesses.

Margaret Kerfoot recommended to the BOD the creation of several VYS Advisory Committees: Governance Committee, Communications Committee, Finance Committee and the Executive Director Search Committee. Brian Ebert made a motion to adopt and authorize these committees and Chuck O'Reilly seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Through the efforts of Mike Allen, VYS has established a formal Youth Soccer Partnership with the Washington Spirit. VYS will be a Bronze sponsor for \$1,500.

Bob Amani gave the Treasurers report and will have the budget ready for the Annual Meeting.

Fields – New Song needs new nets and the goals painted. Hadi Rezazad will make recommendations regarding field allocation.

The Travel Committee has the new Travel Policies posted on the web site. Two new members need to be appointed to the committee. Brian Ebert recommended DJ Moutinho and Dave Shiells to fill these two positions. The appointments were confirmed by the Board.

All-Stars – Mary Nunley reported that VYS will be sending 39 teams to the Father's Day All-Star Tournament this season. The coaches' meeting is scheduled for May 7. Eddie Lima will attend this meeting and make a presentation to the coaches.

Brian Ebert reported that items are disappearing from our fields, i.e. corner flags, locks and sand bags.

Eddie Lima reported that registration numbers for the spring programs are down. The U5-U8 clinics for VYS coaches were successful. Travel tryouts are being organized. He recommended that VYS extend the contracts of both Jane Dawber and Gerardo Ramirez.

Bob Zadeh stated that TOPSoccer is successful and that VYS has great participation from its buddies.

Debbie Brenchick reported that the final spring count was 3728 players of which 167 were scholarship players.

Liz DiFrancisco reported that VYS has a new County contact for permits.

Anjali Thompson stated that the new form for tryouts is much easier for the membership to use. Summer camps and the PCA sessions for U6 parents are posted. Tips and advice from prior All-Star coaches has been compiled and will be available to current All-Star coaches. The newsletter goes out every Tuesday and has a 60% open ratio. The goal is to have fall registration open by May 17.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m. (motion by Bob Zadeh; second by Faith Boettger).

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Nunley

Administrator