



MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

March 4, 2013

Neighbors Restaurant

Present: Margaret Kerfoot, Hadi Rezazad, Orest Fedak, Bill Tesch, Mary McIntyre, John Coffey, DJ Moutinho, Chuck O'Reilly, Brian Ebert, David Shiells, Mike Gurdak, Liz DiFrancisco – Field Assignor, Eddie Lima – Technical Director, Mary Nunley – Administrator, Rod Hines – Director of Training

Guests – Leigh Palmer, Bob Amani

Absent – Bob Zadeh, Richard Montano, Faith Boettger

President Margaret Kerfoot called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Minutes from December 2012 and January 2013 were approved. (There was no February meeting.)

The following items were reported for “the good of the game”:

- Mary McIntyre reported that Sports Authority matched the funds collected by travel teams participating in the December gift wrapping event at the Tysons location of Sports Authority. Sports Authority has also committed to renew their sponsorship of VYS for 2013.
- Chuck O'Reilly thanked Liz DiFrancisco for providing fields for Thunder Black and Patriots.
- Eddie Lima congratulated Hadi Rezazad for earning his B Coaching License.
- Margaret thanked Faith Boettger for getting the Sportsmanship Awards published in the Vienna Connection.

New Business:

Field Assignor Liz DiFrancisco discussed the recycling project, which would create recycling as a volunteer option. There is currently a pilot group working with FCPS on recycling.

Margaret noted that this year VYS has 12 season tickets for DC United, and that we need a distribution method. The first game will be used by NCSL sportsmanship winners. Also, VYS will again have DC United Night, and DC United will make a presentation at the upcoming coaches' meeting.

Old Business:

Margaret reported that a couple issues remain with the Korrio transition.

Reports:

Eddie Lima, Technical Director, reported that winter programs went well, and that spring season programs are being finalized. He also discussed his work on the age group curriculum project and the development of videos for the VYS Facebook page.

Bill Tesch, Treasurer, noted that the year end and 1099 requirements went well. Travel team collections are the current priority.

Hadi Rezazad, Director of Fields, reported that field projects hinge on the final decisions for the Oakton High School field project. Other notes from the group regarding fields included:

- VYS will lose Thoreau and Marshall Road fields in the fall due to construction.
- Teens will be doing field lining this spring.
- VYS only has Clarks Crossing on Saturdays and Sundays for the spring season; no evening times.
- Marshall High School field will close June 1.
- Vienna Adventist is available Monday – Thursday only.

Chuck O'Reilly, Director of Travel, noted that this spring there are 60 travel teams. He announced that U17G Fusion Black has been de-listed. The VYS website now has a listing of all preseason tournaments. Chuck also requested that the information regarding ball kids for high school games be re-sent, as volunteers are still needed, and he reminded the group that there will be VYS Nights at area high school soccer games again this season.

Mike Gurdak, Director of House, reported on his meeting with the commissioners. He noted that there is a lot of continuity within this group. He complimented Eddie on last year's clinics. He announced that there are still coach vacancies in the U15 – U19 age groups. Liz contributed to the House report that this season U8 will be playing 12 games at the same time at Kilmer and Murphy fields.

Brian Ebert, Director of Operations, reported that the current travel uniforms are still available. In terms of supplies, the new balls and nets are in. Goal priorities are Marshall High School practice field and Idylwood. Liz contributed to the Operations report that volunteers are needed for shed cleaning and field operations assistance.

Registration: This is the first season that new players are not required to have a birth certificate.

Website (Margaret reporting for Anjali): Highlights of current website work include addition of video, addition of tournament pages, continued cleanup of home page, and more information on coaches' tab. We still need additional information from travel teams. The number of Facebook fans continues to grow significantly, and page demos and rankings are being utilized.

TOPS: Hadi reported that there will be two Saturday afternoon sessions this spring season.

Community Outreach (Margaret reporting for Faith): There was a successful collection of soccer gear for Mali.

Liz DiFrancisco, Field Assignor, discussed replacing the portable goals at Idylwood with permanent goals. She also noted that currently VYS is the only permit holder at Kilmer.

Margaret announced that the next meeting will be April 8.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary McIntyre