

Minutes of the December 8, 2009 SYS Board Meeting

Present: Ron W., Bob P., Scott B., Allen J., Isaac M., Chris S., Keith L., Louise G., Ken W., David R., Roy P., Heston C., Bob R., Chris W., Bob G.

The minutes of the November meeting were approved with one change—the Y fields referred to in those minutes are the fields at the Boroughs Y in Northboro.

Registration (Bob P.)—So far 880 kids have signed up for the spring. This is about 120 less than last spring. It's not clear what the cause of this decrease is. Two possibilities are the economy and the ever increasing number of club teams and the apparent hostility of some of these teams to town programs.

Minis will be allowed to sign up late and can register directly on the website. Older players need to go through the appropriate AGC. The late fee is \$15.

There is a parent who wanted the program to let in a child who is too young to sign up for U-5. After some discussion, Ron said he would talk with the parent involved.

MAYS (Bob R.)—There will be a MAYS meeting on 1/10 for team placements. We need team profiles and rosters ready by then. By 1/1/10, the AGCs need to return to Bob R. and to Ron all team rosters and team profiles.

There will be a MAYS meeting on 1/31 for appeals to team placement. Also, this is the deadline for pass cards, rosters, and waivers. The season starts on 4/3 for U-10 through U-14. The season starts on 4/11 for U-16+.

MAYS says that any town that has a team in the playoffs has to be willing to provide fields for the playoffs. MAYS will add sideline refs for U-14, Div 1 & 2.

MAYS voted that any team that wins by **10 or more goals** will be warned about this the first time it happens. If it happens a second time, the coach will be suspended and the town program will be fined \$150.

MAYS will have a Div. 4 for the U-10s in the spring. SYS should field some Div. 4 teams.

There was a brief discussion of the budget for the coming year. After a few minor changes, the budget was approved unanimously.

There will be a meeting on 11/2/09 involving Scott B., Kevin R., Keith L., and Bob G. about who will volunteer to serve as the next SYS president. Bob G. has already volunteered to take over the field duties that the president had acquired and to set up the practice schedule.

Player/Coach Development (Roy P.)—Roy met with a representative of Challenger Sports about their holding clinics, practices, and camps. Their rates are competitive and they said they could give the program a discount of \$10 off the hourly rate if we let them run the summer camp. Roy is thinking that we could have them handle the minis in the spring and let *PlaySoccer* work with the older players. We could then make a decision after the spring about the fall season. Roy and Ken W. will talk this over.

There seems to be a problem in getting photos displayed on our website.

Sponsors (Keith L.)—Keith is looking for a total of 10 sponsors. So far 3 have already sent in checks and 2 more have promised checks by 1/1/10. Keith said he will check with Mike R. to make sure we stay within the financial bounds of a non-profit entity.

There was a brief discussion about whether or not new uniforms should be given out every year. Nothing final was decided.

**The next meeting will be on Monday 1/04/10 at 7 PM.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Garvery