

**A Regular Meeting of  
DANVERS YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION  
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting  
April 7, 2010**

**Members in Attendance**

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✓ President	Jeff Chambers
✓ Executive Vice President	Janet Gargan
✓ Treasurer	Maureen Merritt
✓ Registrar	Sharon Clement
✓ Secretary	Rosa Kowalski
✓ Compliance Officer	Charlie Martins
✓ DIT Director	Janet Gargan
✓ Director of Publicity	Bob Gilmore
✓ Director- Special Events	Mike Pelletier
✓ Vice President of Operations	Greg Unczar
✓ Fields and Equipment Director	Rich Sterchle
Safety Officer	Chris George
✓ Vice President of Travel	Loren Rocker
Player Development Travel	John Barrows
Boys Travel Program Director	Frank Missett
✓ Girls Travel Program Director	Al Gianetta
✓ U16-U19 Travel Program Director	Dave Kamens
✓ Vice President of Intramurals	Tracy Smith
✓ Player Development Intramural	Manny Lopes
✓ Intramural Tournament Director	John O'Connor
✓ U10 Boys Director	Brian Jordan
✓ U10 Girls Director	Mike Blanch
U8 Boys Director	Frank Rossito
✓ U8 Girls Director	Dave Thomson
✓ U7 Boys Director	Kevin Wood
✓ U7 Girls Director	Sue Dirks
✓ U6 Director	Kerry Eon
Member	Bob Gabel
Member	Ellen Chambers
✓ Member	Brian Harrison
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**Call to Order**

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**President's Report**

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- Meeting called to order at 7:25 PM by Jeff Chambers

- Thank you for everyone, allot of good things are happening. Some examples are: Loren Rocker working on the travel schedules, Sharon working with the website and Manny working with Lynnfield. Thank you everyone who is contributing.
- DYS is invited to send a rep to Monday @ 7pm, adjacent to Danvers Savings Bank to the veterans meeting. They want a significant representative for the Thorpe dedication. Tracey can go? Yes she can.

### **Secretary's Report**

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- Rosa Kowalski asked for March 2010 minutes to be accepted. Loren Rocker stated that Mike Pelletier should be added to the minutes because he was in attendance. Loren accepted the minutes with this amendment and Sharon 2<sup>nd</sup>'s it. All agree and no oppositions.

### **Treasurer's Report**

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- Maureen Merritt presents the financials to the board. There is a scholarship we did not use it's under president discretionary. Loren Rocker approves and Bob Gilmore seconds it. No opposition, all agree.

### **DIT Report**

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- Janet gave an update. We need 3 more teams to complete the DIT, U8 boys, U8 girls and a U16 boys.
- There are several teams waiting listed. She has talked to Beverly about using their fields and it won't work. Can't use fields @ Beverly airport. We are using 5 sites, Gates, high school, Thorpe, Prep and Plains.
- Need to find out if we have permission to use Friday night @ the stadium and we will schedule local teams.
- Tracey: apparel all set and Blanch and Son is doing it. Got a shirt for the coordinators. The price of the t-shirts all came in within budget. Will Mike deliver? May meeting? Mike said that they will be there. Light blue color will be the staff shirt. Logo, staff, and embroidery
- Sharon Clement talked about concessions. She and Mike have met with Champions. They are going to have a breakfast sandwich/steak tips/ sausage/ hot dogs/ pizza. Gatorade/soda/ and water. Jeff Chambers commented that DYS is selling Gatorade and water and champion should sell soda? Sharon had said that Champions was trying to make it convenient for the consumer (they wouldn't have to go two lines). Jeff Chambers did say that Champions has to get the food permit from the town not DYS. DYS only has to get it if we cook and we are not cooking this year. We could do Bagels, donuts and coffee. What is the agreement we have with Champions? What are we going to get with Champions? A %? Fee?
- No one has approached Sharon regarding the boosters. Let's see what they are going to get, pizza? Thorpe could be a potentially third day. Semi finals coffee and donuts? There will be no soccer boosters on Monday.
- We are missing some vendors at Plains and Thorpe. What about the soccer boosters? Cross-country? And band? Should we ask all boosters to feed the refs? DYS could order pizza from Champions and pay for it and send it to the refs. We need to talk to Champions about the refs.
- We should publish the menu on the website. Consider printing it and putting it in the coach's packet.
- Apparel on the web site.
- Janet asked about ice-cream? Sharon is placing them Plains? Should go there, 2 days only.
- Competition – scheduling, age groups are assigned. Jerry for planning purposes by 5/5 to have the schedule.
- Sponsors: Rich Sterchle has gotten \$500 from Dicks.
- Tracey needs a list of sponsors for back of the t-shirt. Janet has list and will send it. Every sponsor gets a plaque. Mike Blanch will need the final list before printing the shirts. Right now Janet needs 3 towns. 191 teams, 3 more teams.
- Maureen Merritt is in charge of equipment rentals. She is using the same as prior year, port a potties, canopies, tables and chairs.
- Security?
- Medical all set.

## **Registrar's Report**

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- Sharon Clement said that we are going to have 2 registrations, fall/spring. Fundamentals are open and yes we can take them. People need to sign up on line and send check in the mail.
- 18 leagues/ 71 teams and we have 854 players are registered (compared to 792 prior year). Jeff Chambers did credit everyone for the increase.
- New registration for 2010-2011 is opened until 04/30 for travel. Intramurals are due by 07/09. Late fee will apply after.
- There will be a section where U14's explain what happens at 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Players born before 07/31/95 will register in the spring.
- Jeff wants something to the coach's after tomorrow's meeting to explain tryouts for U10's. E-mail blast and hand it out. Examples could be: don't have to try out. Different uniform, fees go up and the schedule change.
- Formal of granting scholarships – process to go by if they need one. Request waiver. Right now President, Treasurer and the registrar deals with it. We want to be sensitive to the information. Jeff we need to keep track of the numbers.
- Charlie should get specifics and report to the board. He should tell us the circumstances. Brian should ITC and travel and know who is involved. Charlie will keep it small. Sharon makes a motion to approve. Loren Rocker approves and Rich 2<sup>nd</sup>s it. All in favor, no oppositions.

## **Fields and Equipment Director**

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- Greg Unczar gave field permit summary. He will not paint Aggie. Two sets of goals @ Gates for practice and 4 goals for U12 to practice. Middle of next week we will get port a potties, there will be non at Aggie.
- Shed-contractor can't do it until end of April. Should we hire some one? Or drop a box there for this week end? U10 portable nets-should we rent a box? Greg will transport and corner flags can go in the shed.
- Storage at Thorpe-no joint plan. How small of a unit? Corner flags are the only items that need storage.
- Some large balls are missing. Jeff said for him to go to Neatco and get 2 doz and they will bill us. Need 5's-24 balls. We need to get the items back from coaches. We also need travel try outs Red & Blue/Green and yellow-200 pennies in total for the 04/29 try out.

## **Travel committee**

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- Loren Rocker 854 players of which 340 are travel players. We seem to get a new player every day. 04/30 are boys try outs (5-6:30 for U12 and 6:30-8:00 are the U14's). May 1 will be the girls (4-5:30 and 5:30 to 7:00). Manny and Tracey need to get in touch with the U10 coach's for the try outs. Gates for tryouts? Thorpe? 2 teams in total. Dave Kamens thanked Janet.
- Loren needs to look at rosters
- Field permits – field rescheduling on a timely fashion.
- Importance of clinics and techniques vs. tactical.

## **ITC**

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- John O'Connor completed rosters. Two teams still need a coach, U10 girls and U10 boys – missing 2 players.
  - U8B- Manny L
  - U8B – Frank R
  - U8G- Dave T
  - U8G- Loren R
  - U10B –missing coach, jr C
  - U10B- Maureen M Sr A

- U10B- Matt P, Sr
  - U10G- Bob G
  - U10G- Dave T
  - U10G- Janet
  - U10G-Gary L
  - U10G- Mike B
  - U10G- missing coach
- All need to register for the DIT
  - Tracey Smith said for intramurals there will be a coach's meeting and a schedule will go out. Every one has been notified. Manny Lopes said that he is putting a schedule together then we will give it to Lynnfield.
    - Option #1- Danvers play double headers
    - Option #2- Lynnfield want to play Danvers more, except 8 weeks with Danvers ends 06/13. 4 against Danvers/4 against Lynnfield.
  - Manny wants what is best for Danvers and Lynnfield. Lynnfield did say that option #2 is good. Games times are 1 @ 2:15 and 1 @ 3:30.
  - DYS is committed to this Lynnfield program.
  - Lynnfield has rebalanced their teams.
  - We don't have Aggie so we can have Plains? Back fields @ Gates.

#### **Director of Publicity**

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- Bob Gilmore said the banner is up. He did go to the pancake breakfast and gave out magnets. Loren Rocker did suggest for us to donate a basket next year (more advertising for DYS). Bob is working on a survey why people have left DYS. He wants to do 2 different ones. 1 for people that stay and the other for people that have left. Brian H did ask what is the incentive for people to fill it out? Jeff stated that we would get the information back to us and we could make some changes.
- Rich Sterchle did say the Dicks' offered to do a DYS registration @ Dicks. DYS would manage it.
- The dedication for the Veteran's kids in the league?

#### **Website committee**

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- Sharon has updated all the web pages and contacts.
- Need to post schedules.
- Soccer talk with definitions
- It's a framework.
- Looking to bring more traffic to the website.
- Registration page will be redesigned.

#### **Long term Planning**

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- Capital expense has been defined 3 or more years and more than \$1K.
- It has to be approved by the board with a cost analysis.
- Gates – should we use the reserve?
- We have fiduciary obligations to for the money we are receiving. We should have an investment policy. We should look into Charles Schwab/Smith Barney/ and or a Fidelity account.
- Operation money vs. Capital expenditure budgeted outside of discretionary. Investment policy will tell us where it is going.
- Charlie replied that as long as we meet our policy that we have fulfilled our fiduciary responsibility.
- Our goals would be to level Gates and make it like Thorpe as a regulation field. Permanent storage @ Gates (at least sized and zoned).

#### **Safety first Aid**

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- Safety – no process
- There will be a CPR class at the public library (6-9). Will send out an e-mail to notify coaches.

### **Special Events**

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- Mike P will make 150 flyers for the 5/15 and the 9/25 games. The Rev and Breakers, they will tell us what player we got for the DIT.
- All the Rev tickets are gone. There are 5 games are left for the Breakers (6/13, 7/11, 7/18, 7/21, and 8/15)

### **Old Business**

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- The referee class will start tomorrow.
- As of today there is no Neatco agreement signed.
- Loren Rucker will have his travel meeting this Monday
- New content for the website has been sent to Sharon

### **New Business**

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- Dan Walsh is here representing 5 non club players. He is looking for some additional skills for these girls. He has some Aztec coach's very interested. He did contact Cheryl Marshall and she suggested going thru DYS because the coaches were getting paid. He does have 8 girls signed up and he's looking at the 2:30-3:30 time slot at the middle school. Jeff asked if there was a motion to accept Dan Walsh's proposal. Al made a motion and Loren 2<sup>nd</sup> it. All in favor, no objections.

### **Adjourn**

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10:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Rosa Kowalski, Secretary, DYSA.

Minutes prepared by Rosa Kowalski Secretary, DYSA

Prepared on 5/2/10

### **Next Meetings**

May 5, 2010 at the Polish Club