

Lenape Valley Soccer Club Board – Minutes							
Date	1/20/18	Time	6pm	Location	BIS	Notes	Alderson
Attendees	Bob Brady, Alexa McClean, Andrea Alderson, Chris Palermo, Dave Ruppert, Carolyn Segura, Colleen Brady, Eric Fromm, Marc Rosenblatt, Joe Trentecoste, Maria Trentecoste, Sean Mulligan, Kelly Williams, Ed Williams						

## Minutes

- Meeting opened @ 6:05 pm with quorum
- Accept minutes from last board meeting – **Motion – Joe, Second – Dave** to approve the minutes
  - Minutes are posted on the website
- **Treasurer’s Report – Jon**
  - Will bring to the next meeting
- **Recreation Report – Chris**
  - Fall Season
    - Successful fall, new coaches, many double duty
    - Good numbers, but on a declining trend – numbers declining in feeding towns and county
    - Big drop-offs in the older grades, although one group did become a boys travel team
    - Hard rule from Sussex county that no travel players allowed for rec
    - Had a snafu with jerseys, so did away with the reversible jerseys. Kindergarten and below received reversible, but First graders and above received two t-shirts. Assessing need to issue credit, but most families seem satisfied.
    - Kids liked being named after countries and professional teams
  - Winter Season
    - Started off without a hitch – a few squeaked in at the last minute, so we have around 60. Will monitor with sign in sheet, to ensure all are registered.
    - Healthy group of 3-8<sup>th</sup> doing futsal, many travel players
  - Spring Season
    - Grade 1-2 may bring back World Cup
      - 2010 spent a great deal of money on nice World Cup shirts with official logo
      - 2014 did various colors and country name, which worked well and was inexpensive
      - 2018 – will use LV patch with a country name
    - Rec travel will continue with the reversible jerseys, as there is inventory remaining
    - Need to do a better job getting to the local preschools
    - Will try to get a hard copy of sprig rec soccer flyer in Byram schools, like Blazers softball one
    - Netcong/Stanhope is still electronic
- **Travel – Bob on behalf of Kelly, then Kelly**
  - Deadline tomorrow for all teams registered, so have covered slots for all fall travel teams
  - Coaches - Need to confirm enough players returning for spring – by Feb 1<sup>st</sup> w/ o fine to pull back
  - D1 & D2 High School teams – let league know by Feb 15<sup>th</sup>. Eric is confirming numbers.
  - February 23<sup>rd</sup> is the PCN deadline date, and need to tell Kelly why
  - League contact meeting is 2/26, which Kelly is attending
  - 3/2 is when league will release preliminary flighting, with final on 3/16
  - 4/8 is the first weekend of games, with 6/17 as the last weekend of the season
  - Season will remain as 10 games, with no games Memorial Day weekend
  - Budget allows you to do 1 tournament per season
  - Will have committee for tryouts
- **Training Company – Kickz UK**

- Training partner again for the spring
  - Sam will take Joe Brady's spot with Natalie and Joe Rooney remaining on the staff for the club
  - Will work through the trainer schedule in the coming weeks – Andrea will draft
  - Travel teams must have trainer through NJ Youth Soccer
- **F – License Course through club - Bob**
- Trying to find a Friday night slot in Byram Intermediate for evening class, but unsuccessful
  - Sean will get the schedule for Byram Lakes
  - Chris will check availability for Stanhope
  - Saturday portion will be in the Byram Intermediate School gym
  - New program is the Grass Roots program, which is slightly different
  - No longer an E License course, but new certification 7v7, 9v9, 11v11, then D
  - E license will be grandfathered and recognized for those who already have it
  - Additional courses are on the state website
- **New business**
- **Byram Rec (Bob)** - Janet retired. Town hiring a part time rec person for 28 hour/week position. Byram may not offer Rutgers course any longer, but identified a candidate to run courses. We could hire him to run the course in the spring annually as needed, with football running it in the fall. Board agreed to this strategy.
  - **Fundraiser (Kelly)** – Discount cards, go to local businesses to see what they want to offer. All of them added to the card for a period of time, and we sell the cards for about \$10. Think about different businesses that could participate. **Motion from Dave, Second from Joe** to do the fundraiser
  - **Fundraiser (Bob)** – Pancake breakfast at firehouse. Thinking at the start of the rec season on Saturday 4/14, eat pancakes, get uniforms, and meet coaches. Andrea checking room availability.
  - **Fundraiser Applebees (all)** – mixed reviews, as out of town
  - **End of year picnic** – If planned, we will have dunk tank
  - **Sponsorship** – Need sponsorships, spreadsheet with a list of businesses that we can leverage as a club to solicit sponsors. We will have levels of sponsorship, then signs for business windows. We can tie it to discount cards. Andrea will draft for the club.
  - **Pictures** – Chris will ask Jen to do the pictures at the pancake breakfast. Chris also submitted check from Jen to the club, with a cut of the fall photo profits.
  - **Stanhope Tricky Tray** – Free rec membership. **Motion Alexa with second by Joe**. Bob will send.
  - **NWPA 2018**– Claire asking for summer 2018. Challenges last year with uniforms, different tournaments, etc. To make things better, we could take more of the administration role, guaranteeing local tournaments. Many soured by poor 2017 experience. **Motion from Alexa with second by Kelly** for no NWPA.
  - **Fields** - Tamarak field now open for the spring for soccer, likely for 11v11 & 7v7. Will keep rec at the Byram schools, with Mohawk medium. CO 8 open for 11v11. Byram Rec may be putting up signs, based on requests from the different organizations.
  - **Lights** - Looking to get lights donated from Port Authority through Newark Airport, as they cycle them every year. CO Johnson is wired for it.
- Motion to adjourn **with motion by Dave, with second by Alexa**. Meeting adjourned 7:15p

Action Items				
#	Owner	Date	Item	Status
1	Andrea	1/20/18	Will draft spring training schedule	Open
2	Andrea	1/20/18	Will check Byram firehouse for Sat 4/14 pancake breakfast	Open
3	Chris / Sean	1/20/18	Will check on Byram Elementary and Stanhope school availability for Friday night F license course	Open
4	Chris	1/20/18	Will check with Jen about doing pictures at breakfast for spring	Open