

Litchfield Youth Soccer Board Meeting Notes

February 6, 2012
7:30-9:15 p.m.

Attendees: M. Boschi, M. Duprey, Z. Duprey, Mi. Fluet, J. Kohm, C. LaBatt, A. Lajoie, A. Randolph, J. Rossi, S. Ryan, and S. Taylor

Facilitator/Note Taker: S. Ryan

1. President's Report (J. Rossi)

- New Fields
 - Fencing. Completed as much as possible before frost. Handicap entrance done. Wood side and drainage side needs to be done
 - Shed is on site
 - Irrigation finished except for re-start and testing
 - \$1500 kick-back for irrigation; Maggie to reimburse town
- Revolution
 - Only allow 30 teams; must sell 20 tickets per team. No interest
- List of Kids to Got Soccer
 - Chuck will provide "dump" of information; form needs to change slightly

2. Recreational Soccer Leagues under Recreation Commission, Pros and Cons

- Pros
 - Paid Insurance
 - Background Checks, provided for 5 years
 - Field Usage paid for, if town shall charge
- Cons
 - Two separate Boards
- Approach Recreation Commission if we have concerns going under umbrella
- Further Discussion at April Meeting

3. Treasurer's Report (M. Duprey)

- Travel Soccer. Pay in Fall; pay only for add-ons in Spring
- Is LYSL considered non-profit?
- Need accountant to answer questions about filing 2011 taxes
- **Motion:** Hire an accountant, with an allowance up to \$1000, to answer questions regarding IRS concerns.
 - 1st: Maggie Duprey
 - 2nd: Al Lajoie
 - In Favor: All

4. Field Update (K. Buxton)

- Shed, paid for, except for \$400+/- to Keith. Keith to forward e-mail to Maggie to pay
- Fencing, paid
- Continental is owed \$244K
- Line items for Equipment but not Construction
- Requested LYSL to assist with monies for construction, but be reimbursed for equipment
- Next Recreational Committee Meeting is February 21
- **Motion:** Hold \$200 in account for electrical in shed.
1st: Jason Rossi
2nd: Al Lajoie
In Favor: All
- **Motion.** Hold monies for loft in shed. *“On Hold” until we utilize shed for storage of equipment.*
- **Motion.** 100% remaining in account, which is approximately \$14.5K, to be provided towards Continental’s construction costs
1st: Maggie Duprey
2nd: Scott Taylor
In Favor: All

5. Equipment Update (S. Taylor)

- Uniforms
 - \$2700 in Inventory; 55% shirts and 45% shorts (all without print)
 - White Youth Medium Shirts; Eurosports OUT OF STOCK
 - Decided to get through next year; no uniform change
- Paint Order
 - Al purchased 5 cases of orange for Lacrosse; would like to swap out with soccer when we re-order

6. Field Report (J. Kohm)

- S. Taylor and J. Kohm to meet regarding schedule

7. Travel Report (C. Labatt)

- Spring Teams In; Rankings out this week

8. Practices – Days & Times (M. Boschi)

- Forward Days & Times to M. Boschi

9. Coach Coordinator (M. Boschi)

- LYSL Coaching Coordinator Position (see attachment)
- This position is in addition to our current training
- This is on a trial basis for Spring
- **Motion.** Hire Bruno as the LYSL Coaching Coordinator for the Spring in the amount of \$1500.
1st: J. Rossi

2nd: J. Kohm

In Favor: All

- Bruno Training, Week of August 13
- Additional Bruno Training in Merrimack, Anheuser Busch

10. Open Discussion(All)

- Coaching Certification
 - Recommend U13/U14 Training, 2 days. J. Rossi to contact Mark about coming to Litchfield for training

LYSL Coaching Coordinator

The responsibilities of the LYSL Coaching Coordinator, a paid position with a earnings of \$3000 per soccer year (July-June), will entail the following:

1. Follow and encourage the philosophy of the LYSL in regards to player development, competitiveness and sportsmanship.
2. Organize and train travel coaches and recreational coaches in appropriate disciplines. This will involve one or two sessions for recreational coaches while either one session or the running one practice for travel coaches.
3. Set up goals for certain skills to be taught at each level of the recreational and travel programs. Distribute recommended drills with expectations of what should be learned by the end of each season.
4. Travel Program – game evaluations of teams, recommendations on coaching tactics and approach – 16 to 18 games.
5. Coordination and management of Travel Tryouts – develop drills to be run, and the manner in which players should be evaluated. Along with Travel Coordinator and Board, develop a policy for which a player is allowed to play in an higher age group.
6. Along with 4v4 Coordinator, focus attention on 4v4 recreational level to become more competitive to replace U8 travel and feed players ready to participate in the U9 travel program.

This position will report directly to the LYSL Board of Directors as a whole and not to any specific individual on the Board.