

Melrose Youth Soccer
September 22, 2008
Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Rich Altonaga	Janice Mancini
Bob Lynch-Galvin	Carlos Charry
Sean O'Brien	Steve Finley
Steve Silveira	Trish McElligott

Rich Altonaga called the meeting to order at 7:05.

1. Secretary's Report

- Steve Silveira accepted the assignment to record the September meeting minutes
- The August meeting minutes were accepted as presented

2. Treasurer's Report

- Janice Mancini stated that coach reimbursements will go out this week
- Quarterly financials to be presented at the October Board meeting

3. Registrar's Report

- Bob Lynch-Galvin distributed a copy of the flyer that will go out announcing the opening of Spring registration
- Registration will open by _____ and close by November 2nd for Travel and November 30th for the city league.
- A wait list will then be used for the City league which will stay open until the beginning of the season
- Admin sports will be changed so that families on the wait list pay when they register. In the event that their child is not admitted to the league, we will issue a reimbursement

4. Field Manager

- The problem of coaches not weighing down the goals continues to be a problem. This problem has occurred most frequently with the U12 goals. Heather will be instructed to re-notify the travel coaches of this non-optional responsibility.
- The U12 goals on the West Side Knoll will be locked because the Melrose High School teams have been using them, leaving them on the field and thereby adversely impacting the U10 field.
- It was decided that since Hesseltine will only be used for U12 practices that this space will lined for U8 games on Saturdays
- Trish McElligott tendered her resignation as Field Manager effective the end of the fall season (November) in order to concentrate on other volunteer activities
- Trish's resignation was accepted with regret

5. Travel report

- Rich stated that the travel program is doing well

6. Coaching Director

- No report

7. City League Report

U10

- Steve Silveira reported that the fall league was going well. The Runners up game and the City Championship are scheduled for November 1st at 4:30 and 6:00 respectively under the lights on the West Side Knoll
- Steve will order trophies for the 1st and 2nd place teams
- It was agreed that there will not be a new draft in the spring. Coaches will be allowed to keep their returning players and the remaining entrants will be divided up among the teams by the U10 Coordinator

U8

- Sean O'Brien reported that the fall league was going well
- It was decided beginning October 18th to change the arrangement with the second grade teams so that coaches are not allowed on the field during the games

8. Referee Coordinator

- Steve Finley stated that we had a problem with referee assignment over the past week because of human error. We have ample referees for all programs, except for the U12 program where we have to import referees from other programs
- Carlos and the City Coordinators were directed to send an email to Steve Finley by Tuesday of any week in which the schedule of games has changed from what has already been sent

9. Field Scheduler

- Carlos Charry reported that one of the U12 teams currently scheduled to play at home on November 1st (last game of the season) will either have to play on Sunday, November 2nd or will have to determine if they can play this game as a home game. Heather McSween will be directed to settle this matter.

10. Co-President's Report

- Rich Altonaga stated that 60 tickets have been sold for the Revolution game

11. New Business

- Bob Lynch-Galvin presented an idea for the U8 program, on behalf of Gary Smith who could not attend the meeting. The idea is to have a system where each time a U8 player scores a goal they are given a pinnie and they cannot then score again until another member of their team has scored, at which point they would wear the pinnie. There was no conclusion to this discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:59