

# WALTHAM YOUTH SOCCER GENERAL MEETING

**Meeting Date:** March 10, 2010

**Members Present:**

Jay Babcock, Julie Babcock, Anna Masciovecchio, Mike Guzzi, Ray Halleran, Pino Viscomi, Dom Cosco, Alison Coates, Craig Schubert, Dan Iodice

**Others Present:**

Suzanne Concetti, Michelle Labossiere, Armen Bahlavouni, Segundo Panta, Franco Nicolazzo, Jen Vitone, Dave Vitone, Lori Carosella, Vincent Lipoma,

**Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM**

**President's Report**

Mike Guzzi welcomed everyone to the March General Meeting for Waltham Youth Soccer.

Mike read a letter from Scott Wakefield thanking WYS for helping him with a donation to the cancer society.

WYS was informed that grooming of Veterans Fields will take place on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Rain date May 4<sup>th</sup>. Everyone should stay clear of the fields during this time.

As of 5:00 tonight, (3/10/10) all teams rosters (except 5 teams) were approved by the Middlesex League.

Mike Guzzi received an e-mail RE: issues at the Veterans Fields Concession Stand. Responses are as follows:

- ~ The counter top is structurally sound and not pulling away from the wall. The seal /grout has been compromised and the building department will have the caulking redone.
- ~ The building department will remind the plumber to make sure the hot water is working when the building is opened.
- ~ The flag will be raised in the morning and lowered at the end of the end of each day by a recreation staff person.
- ~ The building department is looking into installing locked thermostats in the lobby for the two heaters. The heaters are not to be manually turned on by lifting the grate cover.
- ~ WYS will be contacted once they get the green light to open the building and the plumber has completed all of his work.

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**Vice President's Report:**

Jay Babcock made mention that the bye laws were still under review and will be finalized at the next meeting

**Secretary's Report:**

Craig Schubert read the meeting minutes. Ray Halleran made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Alison Coates 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

**Treasurer's Report:**

Anna read the treasurers report. A motion was made by Alison Coates to accept the Treasurer's Report. Dan Iodice 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

**Registrar's Report:**

At this time, 12 Slots are left in the U6 Program.

As of today (3/10/10) 662 players registered in Waltham Youth Soccer.

Julie Babcock mentioned that we could start the In-Town program on April 17 and the U6 program on April 18. Travel teams will start on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Mike noted that all of our fields are approved starting on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Practices can begin at that time.

On Monday March 22<sup>rd</sup> at Falzone Field at 7:00 pm, we will have the WYS Travel Team Coaches Meeting.

Waltham Softball has secured a person from Bentley University to be their point person for the concession stand. WYS has also secured a point person as well.

**Middlesex League Report:**

Ian Ashford noted that all our U16 – U19 teams were placed at this months Middlesex Meeting. All teams were placed in Division 1 except the GU16 team which was placed in Division 2.

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The MYSL Coaches meeting is scheduled for March 31<sup>st</sup> at the Joyce Middle School in Woburn. Times are as follows:

Girls at 6:30 pm. Boys at 8:00 pm.

The **Zero Tolerance Policy** will be stressed very highly at this meeting.

### **New Business:**

Ian Ashford made note that MPS brings their coaches in from the UK and are looking for a host family to sponsor them. Ian will get more info for WYS to send out in a blast e-mail on Sports Manager.

MPS asked if WYS could host their U20 league National Championship at Veterans Field in June.

A coaches clinic was mentioned for our In-Town coaches. Mike Guzzi suggested sending a blast e-mail via Sports Manager to all the coaches so we could get an idea on numbers.

It has been noted that the Bays League is interested in Waltham Youth Soccer joining them. Mike mentioned that the teams are bracketed by talent and by towns closer by. They run a 10 week Spring / Fall Program.

Ray addressed the board RE: referees. He currently has 40 referees patched in WYS. He made a proposal to start using the In-Town program as a training program for AR's. This will help them to learn and get used to using the flags and prepare them for travel games. Craig Schubert made the motion to accept Ray's proposal. Julie Babcock 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor and the proposal was approved.

Armen Bahlavouni suggested that we bring in someone to do Goal Keeper training. Ian Ashford noted that he will organize the training for keepers.

Jay Babcock mentioned that the parents rules will be sent out again this year on our Zero Tolerance policy. Mike Guzzi made a mention that all In-Town teams should have a team manager to manage the team during the games.

Julie Babcock handed out some flyers with jerseys for an end of year gift.

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**Next WYS General Meeting April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010 :**

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm  
Respectively Submitted,

Craig Schubert  
Secretary, Waltham Youth Soccer