

BSI Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 5, 2008
Notch Road Municipal Center – Room 11 – 6:30 pm

Attending: George Assard, Cindy Westerman, Marty Waung, Dave Stearns, Tim Callahan, Steve Minicucci, Randy Gudauskas, Andrea Gudauskas, Tracy Sargent.

1. Website Updates

Website is up and running. Will continue to be updated and expanded as we go forward.

2. Tax Filings Update

A lot of paperwork (attachments/back-up) needed for tax filing. Marty will work with Randy/Andrea to continue process. Andrea will take care of EIN #; Tracy will check with Tom Fiorentino regarding incorporation paperwork.

3. Board Positions Update

Registrar – Tracy will continue as registrar but will delegate pieces of it to volunteers (Cindy Westerman, Marie and Kim Stearns).

Recreation Team Director – If Steve Gallacher (or somebody else) can take on the U6/U8 Director position then George Assard is willing to take on the Recreation Team Director position. Marty will speak to Steve Gallacher to see if it is something that he is willing or able to take on. Marty also expressed willingness to take on the Recreation Team Director position if needed.

Ways & Means Director – Instead of having a one person position the Ways and Means will be handled by committee.

4. CJSA Insurance Review

Marty reviewed. Coverage is comprehensive.

5. Sponsorship / Ads

Will seek one primary sponsorship for home page of web site (\$300) and smaller sponsors (\$50) to list on “sponsors” page. Randy will forward his information to be posted.

6. Spring Team Registration Update

Registrations slow (deadline March 14). Will send one more flyer and at least one more e-mail blast prior to deadline. Will be able to review team make-ups at next meeting.

7. New Items

- Registration form for fall will be drafted. Rates will remain the same for first year. Marty willing to run off copies for school distribution (aiming for first week in April).
- Proposed Northeast District rule changes were forwarded to everyone. Input can be emailed directly to Dave Bachiochi or forwarded to Tracy and Marty to bring to district meeting (Thursday, March 13th).
- Update from Dave Stearns regarding training and development: He is focusing on two areas of development – the players and the coaches.

He is developing a matrix for player development that will represent guidelines for development at different age levels. This will allow coaches to have certain expectations at specific levels and also give coaches focus for practice and season game plans. He's broken the areas of development, which go along one axis of the matrix, into the four key aspects of a soccer player: technique, tactics, physical and psychological. The other axis will consist of the various age levels. He will then try and place within the appropriate quadrant the different attributes expected to be of focus at the different age levels. For instance, juggling, passing, carrying the ball, volleying, heading, making runs, combinations, attacking the goal, stretching, conditioning, power, teamwork, attitude, leadership are all examples. This list also kind of flows with the four different attributes so that you can see examples of each and it's probably fairly easy to see where the cut offs are for each.

As far as the coaching goes, he is trying to focus on education in a couple of areas. They are: 1) Thought Leadership of BSI – expectations of how players and coaches should approach the game; 2) How to run a practice – disciplined format and structure for executing a practice; 3) How to run a season – focused approach to an entire season, starting with a parent meeting right through closing out the year with a meeting with the kids; and 4) Player development expectations – matrix referred to above.

The hope is that as we begin our first year with the new program, we will get some coaches in the beginning levels that will progress right up through with their kids. They will learn and grow as they go.

The next meeting is scheduled for
Monday, March 24, 2008
Notch Road Municipal Center, Room 9, 6:30 pm