



**A Regular Meeting of  
DANVERS YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION  
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting  
Thursday, November 16, 2017  
Polish Club, Danvers, MA**

Title	Name	Present
President	Brendan Piscitello	YES
Vice President	Sharon Clement	YES
Treasurer	Janet Gargan	YES
Registrar	Desiree Wynott	YES
Secretary	Megan Chambers	YES
Director of Safety and Compliance		
Director- Coaches Education and Player Development	Mike Blanch	YES
Director of Travel	Loren Rocker	YES
Assistant Director of Travel	Dawn Price	NO
Director of Intramurals	Nate Lamar	YES
Director of Fields and Equipment	Tim Gray	YES
Director- At Large	Sean Dunn	YES
Director- At Large	Andrew Godfried	YES
Director- At Large	Steven Gargan	YES
Director- At Large	Lindsay Demsey	NO
Director- At Large	Michael Randall	YES
Director- At Large	Anthony Ferullo	NO
Associate Director	Frank Rositto	NO
Associate Director	Elvir Celikovic	NO
Associate Director	Jeff Chambers	YES
Associate Director	Kerry Eon	NO
Associate Director	Rob Licata	NO
Associate Director	Mike Graves	NO
Associate Director	Jason Navarro	NO
Associate Director	Greg Conklin	NO
Associate Director		
Associate Director		
Director Of Coaching	Edgar de Leon	NO

Other members present: Ellen Chambers, Bill Jackson, Amy Cangiano, Matt O'Keefe  
 Guests: Dick Moody, Operation Troop Support

## **I. Call to Order**

- Meeting called to order at 7:41 PM by President, Brendan Piscitello.

## **II. Secretary's Report**

- Motion made by Desiree Wynott to accept the October minutes as amended. 2nd by Tim Gray. All in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

## **III. DSSSF**

- Jeff Chambers reviewed the 12th annual Danvers Soccer Saluting Soldiers Festival. When the tournament was created in 2006, the hope was to raise \$2000. Dick Moody was presented a check for \$10,463 this year for Operation Troop Support, totaling \$107,250 over the last 12 years. DYS and OTS have formed a great relationship throughout these years. Dick told a story about his trip to Washington DC a few years ago where he got to speak about the wonderful support our community is to their program.

## **IV. Treasurer's Report**

- Brendan Piscitello reviewed the YTD budget through October. Operations Budget- most income is registration for winter training at \$102,284. Expenses included paying League Athletics for the year and Laser Lines for fall paint. Referees, fundamental trainers, and DOC were all paid. Motion made by Tim Gray to accept the Operations Budget as presented. 2nd by Nate Lamar, all in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.
- Capital and Discretionary Budget- Revolution tickets were paid for for the 2018 season and came in under budget. Special Kickers coaches were paid. Motion made by Nate Lamar to accept the Capital and Discretionary Budget. 2nd by Mike Randall, all in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.
- DIT Budget had no current activity.
- DSSSF Budget- MYSA waived the tournament fee. Referees volunteered their time, main expense was food and apparel. Our net donation was similar to last year. Motion made by Sharon Clement to accept the DSSSF budget as presented. 2nd by Desiree Wynott, all in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

## **V. Travel Report**

- Loren Rucker reported on the fall travel season. Coaches should remember that their behavior on the sidelines dictates how parents act on the sidelines. There have been coaches without credentials while on the field. All games, regardless of score or injury, need to be reported. Loren would like to see more coaches taking advantage of coaches education courses, and would like to schedule another round table discussion. There was an informative book created years prior in DYS with guidelines for coaches, which would be great to utilize. Parents need to be advised of medical coverage provided when there is an injury during play. The coaches also need to be taught the expectations when evaluating players as evaluations could be skewed if evaluators are scaling them differently. Loren has enjoyed being the travel director again and is appreciated for stepping in mid season.

## **VI. Registrar's Report**

- Desiree Wynott reviewed registration. Currently winter training is still open, as well as U16+ for the spring 2018 season. Brendan will communicate with high school coaches about open registration.

## **X. Intramural Report**

- Nate Lamar reviewed the fall intramural season. Only one week was missed due to weather, which is better than past years. Watching the referees improve every week has been great. There was discussion about adding Assistant Referees to grade 4 games. One of our in town referees reffed her own 6th grade game when there was no referee. Grade 3 girls have great coaches but is a small group of players. Players showed up all season long without any drop off during the last week of practice. During the DSSSF the grade 1 players did great playing against grade 2 teams.

## **XI. Director of Coaches Education and Player Development**

- Mike Blanch recapped the fall season. He had the opportunity to get on the field with the players this fall and would like to make a few changes. Winter training starts this Saturday, help with registration will be needed in the morning. The numbers are low this year due to basketball and club soccer, as well as a new training program in Beverly. Coaches will be invited to come and get involved on the field. He would like to schedule an early spring coaches education session run by Mike, Nate and Edgar. We would like for every coach in the system to be training on the field at least once.

## **XII. Fields and Equipment**

- Tim Gray discussed concerns with the goals at Gates and Smith, which are broken and should be replaced. There may still be some goals at the YMCA also. The broken goals are top heavy and could be a safety issue. Coaches equipment distribution did not go smoothly this year and need to have set times for them to pick it up moving forward. We may try to distribute equipment at a coaches round table. Tim is going to look into getting the benches at Gates removed. The parking lot at Gates will be redone with new gravel.

## **XIII. New Business**

- DYS Social is Saturday. Tickets are still available. There will be baskets and other items raffled off. All money raised will go to Griffin's Gift.
- MYSA workshop is Januray 27th at the Boston Marriott in Newton. Tickets are \$50 each. Motion made by Sharon Clement to allocate up to \$500 for ten tickets for the mass youth workshop. 2nd by Loren Rocker, all in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

## **XIV. Meeting Adjourned at 8:42 PM.**

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Megan Chambers  
Secretary  
Danvers Youth Soccer*