



# SCOR – March 2012 Minutes

March 12, 2012 7:00 PM

## Attendees:

Steve Sasse (President); Peter Coffin (Vice President); Rob Jasminski (Treasurer); Mark Vanni (Secretary); Dan Collins (VP House); Scott Kemp (VP Academy); Joe Buczek (VP Travel); Tom Cherner (VP Web/Comms); John Healey (VP Fundraising/Tournament), Phil Bergen (Coaching Director); Hillary Lust (Registrar); Paul Shickell (Field/Ref Assigner)

### 1. Meeting called to order 7:10 PM

### 2. SCOR Minutes from February 2012 approved

### 3. No member comments

### 4. Committee Reports:

- a. **Treasurer (Rob):** Reviewed the budgets for house and travel programs. Revenue is down YOY due to lower enrollment. We are closely managing expenses. Discussed that house is running a surplus and travel is running a deficit, which generally offset each other. Major factor in travel deficit is the roster size. Based on current expense load each team would require roughly 16 players to break even. While this roster size works for U12 and above, it is not optimal for player development in U10/11 where a 12 person rosters is best for the 8v8 format.
- b. **Web/Communications (Tom):** No major issues to report or concerns to report. Encouraged content owners to police the site to ensure content is current and links are all functioning.
- c. **Fields (Terry):** Field day is set for March 17 at 1PM. Main task will be moving goals and stringing nets. The town fields meeting was held and fields assigned for the spring season were as expected. Onalfo still presents a challenge due to drainage problems, but closing manageable.

#### Spring 2012

- Diniz: M - F, Sat & Sun - SCOR only
- Onalfo: M - F, Sat & Sun - SCOR only
- Farmingville: Saturdays only until 1pm (Ridgefield Rebels have it after us)
- Parks & Rec - weekdays until 5:15pm (Youth Lacrosse has it after us - I need to clarify what time we need to be off, somewhere between 5 & 5:30pm)
- SRMS - Tues 3:00 - 5:30, Thurs 3:15 - 5:30, Sunday 12 noon - onward (Lacrosse has SRMS Sunday mornings so if we want to request it occasionally we need to work with them and the Ridgefield Kicks Mens Soccer team has it on rainy Sunday mornings. RHS will use for practices M/W/F until sometime in May.
- TH - Sunday 4pm - Onward (coordinate with RHS)

#### Fall 2012

- VP: M-F, Sat & Sun - SCOR Only - weekdays after school use

- Barlow Front: M-F, Sat & Sun - SCOR only - weekdays after school use
  - Branchville: M-F, Sat & Sun - Practice only - weekdays after school use
  - ERMS South: M-F, Sat & Sun - Weekdays after school use
  - Farmingville: M-F, Sat & Sun - SCOR only - weekdays after school use
  - Ridgebury: M-F, Sat & Sun - Practice only - weekdays after school use
  - Scotland: M-F, Sat & Sun - coordinate w/ RHS - weekdays after school use
  - Tiger Hollow: Saturday - coordinate w/ RHS and Ridgefield youth football; Sun - 12:00 - onward
  - Parks & Rec: M-F, 3pm - dark; all day Sat & Sun
  - SRMS: M-F, Sat & Sun - some shared use with RYF (rain); RHS has use weekdays until 4pm
- d. **Coaching (Phil):** Phil presented the new concussion policy draft. Policy was well received. Several minor adjustments were suggested. Final policy will be review and approved by board and posted to the website.
- e. **House (Dan):** Registration is down YOY. Decided to go with a single color shirt for teams vs. traditional Orange and White, home and away. Decision will provide a better quality shirt at a lower cost and will also simplify communications and organization of teams on game days. Discussed the rising number of financial aid requests. Discussed the concern of field assignments (especially during field closures due to weather) that would place older kids next to younger kids.
- f. **Academy (Scott):** Schedule is set as are the coach assignments. Enrollment is down YOY by ~12%. Director will continue to promote program through start of season as some parents are not aware of program.
- g. **Travel (Aimee/Joe):** Team numbers and names submitted to CJSA. Enrollment numbers down causing challenges with small rosters. Concerned most with boys and girls U12. Phil received approval from CJSA to cross roster some of the players to address numbers on game days. Still short 1-2 team managers but expect position to be filled shortly. Phil has finalized the practice schedules and coaching assignments. General concern among managers regarding ability to field teams for first two games around spring break. Only Black teams will compete in CT Cup. Orange teams will be asked to schedule at least 2 scrimmages/friendlies during the season in lieu of CT Cup. Rain plans for practices will be managed by DOC and VP Travel/Managers, not pro coaches.
- h. **Fundraising (John):** Looking at developing a trail run fundraiser later in the spring. The event previous discussed on March 25 was too close to participate in this time.
- i. **Tournament (John):** Discussed news that Wilton has decided to move their tournament from June to Columbus Day. Board reviewed the likely impact and decided to leave the SCOR tournament at its traditional Labor Day date. SCOR board is in contact with Wilton about getting support from the Wilton teams at the SCOR tournament.

## 5. Old Business:

- a. **New registration Process (Hillary):** Process is up and running, but having difficulty getting volunteers to register. Communications will be sent directly to managers and coaches to request them to register.
- b. **Spending Authority Revisions (Joe):** Joe presented the revised spending authority language to the operating policies. They were approved by the board. Also agreed to look at how the governance and operating policies connect to the bylaws.
- c. **Committee Structure (Peter):** Peter presented a proposal for establishing an enhanced committee structure to support the club operations and board structure. The committees included: Executive, Finance, Development, and Governance. The structure was reviewed and discussed by the board. There was general agreement on the usefulness of the approach and the general structure. Next step is to finalize structure and seek committee members.

**6. New Business:**

- a. **Memorial Day Parade (Aimee/Joe):** Aimee raised the issue as to whether SCOR would participate in the Memorial Day parade. Board agreed that we should participate, but that it should be coordinated through a VP to ensure that SCOR was registered and would not be marching last.

**7. Next board meeting April 2<sup>nd</sup> 7PM B&G Club.**

**8. Meeting adjourned at 9:45PM**