

# Rochester District Youth Soccer League Board Meeting – Agenda

7:00-9:00 PM, February 22, 2016, JCC Conference Room

Absences: Mike Mallaber, Janet Wright, Sue Gurak, Donna Kephart, Neil Fisher

Attendees: George Hebert, Bret Dangelmaier, Jackie VanDellon, Mark VanDellon, Beth Guzetta, DJ Maggio, Tom O’Neil, Karen May, Andrew Knoblauch, Paul Walters, Brad Schreiber, Mike Doyle

1. Treasurer update -- Sue
  - a. Expenses/revenues since last meeting
  - b. Review of any “ongoing” expenses
  - c. All 2015 club bills are now paid in full
  
2. Division formation review
  - a. Girls
    - i. U9 – only 3 teams asked for D1, 5 for D2 so many teams not getting requested
    - ii. U10 – no issues
    - iii. U11 – only 5 teams in D1 due to skill levels; two best D2 teams were overmatched last year; same team issues as listed below in U12
    - iv. U12 – one team put in placeholders for players vs actuals and that led to team composition issues
    - v. U13 – nobody asked for D2 but division was populated as appropriate
    - vi. U14 – one team struggled in D1 and a D2 wanted to stay but the two were switched anyway
    - vii. U15 – all 21 teams got the division requested (or lowest division)
    - viii. U16 – no issues
    - ix. U17 – D1 will have 5 teams (competitiveness issues)
    - x. U19 – no issues
  - b. Boys
    - i. U9 – no issues
    - ii. U10 – no issues
    - iii. U11 – no issues
    - iv. U12 – only 3 teams requested D1, 7 are assigned
    - v. U13 – 6 teams in D1, D2 and D3 due to competitiveness issues
    - vi. U14 – no issues
    - vii. U15 – no issues
    - viii. U16 – no issues
    - ix. U17 – no issues
    - x. U19 – 8 teams in D1, 9 teams in D2
  
3. New rules discussion -- DJ Maggio; to be bulletized and simplified and redistributed
  - a. U9-10 coach handouts (for coaches to provide to referee at each match)
  - b. U11 coach handout
  - c. U12 coach handout
  - d. U13+ coach handout
  - e. Tom Ross (NYSWYSA State Director of Instruction) email on concussion rules from US Soccer.

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4. Are coaches required to complete concussion training for this season? Desire is to make this a requirement, looking for board member to track completions.
5. Discuss 2017 US Soccer age matrix change – George to send note to club Presidents listing the rules.
6. Should RDYSL consider forming U18 age groups for 2017 season because U16 players in the older age will end up moving from U16 in 2016 to U19 in 2017. Suggestion to have RDYSL create U18 age group with right reserved to form a single U19 division is caused by number of teams in either age group. – to be discussed and decided upon no later than May '16
7. U10-11 players on U12 teams – 83 such players on the girl's side avoid the “no heading” rule (32 are in D5) – Brian. -- Player heading rules apply to the age group of the team not the player.
8. RDYSL DC Meetings – Date set for March 12, we have 5 rooms from 1-5 PM
  - a. Boys 1:30-2:30, Girls 3:00-4:00 are the times for actual meetings
  - b. Rules handouts for coaches to give refs at games by age group?
  - c. Room assignments at MCC:
    - i. 5-300 for the 70 people (it accommodates 188) – U9-10
    - ii. 5-323 U17-19
    - iii. 5-331 U15-16
    - iv. 5-200 U13-14
    - v. 5-100 U11-12
9. RDYSL Play at Sahlen's Stadium – no news, still awaiting dates. If dates provided by Rhinos are acceptable we will schedule up to 4 days for these games.
10. Player awards status review
  - a. Champion/runner up t-shirts – Jackie. Bids will be coming out soon now that the number of divisions are set.
  - b. U9-10 participation – zipper pulls customized with RDYSL logo, two ordered for each player – Karen.
11. Roster variances – final spreadsheet with 10 teams listed was sent to DCs on 2/15/16
12. NYSWYSA policy on US Soccer heading requires tournaments to hold player passes until they receive required medical clearance. Note sent to NYSWYSA President inquiring on the feasibility of this requirement. Regruit acknowledged receipt and is investigating. Still no news from NYSWYSA.
13. General discussion on succession planning – George
  - a. All 7 “official” positions requested to identify recommended successor by April meeting
  - b. How to develop a pool of new DCs?

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14. Risk Management passes for board members – Jacky. George and Neil are the only two incomplete at this time.
15. How to handle misdirected emails – George. Discussed the only person who should be answering questions for an age group/gender is that specific DC. DCs should freely use the gender VPs and others on the board as needed to ensure accurate answers are provided.
16. Next RDYSL Board Meeting – March 6, 6-8PM JCC