

**Stafford Area Soccer Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
March 29, 2007**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm with Drew, Nick, Elvis, Reb, Toby, Carla, Tom and Tom Armstrong present. Luke joined the meeting at approximately 7:45.

II. Public May Address the Board – No input.

III. Other Reports – None.

IV. Coordinator Reports (Those with approved agenda items)

- Received brief from Complex Development Coordinator on the status of various ongoing projects and fundraising opportunities.
- Coaching Director. Discussed a need for a policy on inappropriate conduct between minors and adult coaches. Particular issue already addressed...the board did not think that policy needed to be developed at this time.
- Coaching Director. Need to consider seeking the use of fields on Friday nights as well as an overall discussion on field usage. Discussed possibly considering hiring a field assigner/administrator.

A motion was made by Nick and seconded by Toby to establish a part-time position for a field scheduler. The motion passed unanimously. ACTION: Reb to interview and bring on board a part-time field usage coordinator. Reb also stated he would look into the administrator position and report back to the board in May.

V. Approval of the Minutes – deferred approval of February minutes until next meeting

VI. Action Items - None

VII. Board Reports

President – Reb Benson

- Partnering with VYSA – Briefly discussed the potential options of partnering with VYSA on land in Stafford County for both to use. VYSA would like a location with about 5 fields (3 to 4 being turf) located around an indoor facility (that way parents could watch their children from an upper level observation deck—either on the (near normal size) indoor field or surrounding outdoor fields). This is a work in progress, but could lead to opportunities of a new location for all SASA fields (if enough land) or use of two sets of fields—one SASA owned and one a partnership. More to follow.
- Registration issues – Though at times we seem to put ourselves in crunch mode for having the recreation division ready to go when the season starts...we compounded that more this season with several issues—from deciding to have the U6/U8 coaches meeting one week before the season was to start to not having all actions (registration, team building and scheduling) done in a timely manner for some of the age groups. Must find a way to make this better.

Vice President – Drew McGregor

- The PCA Second Goal workshop is scheduled for 5 April with a goal of at least 2 parents per team participating. There was a need to ensure that a LCD projector and screen was available at CFHS. ACTION: Reb to confirm equipment available.

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- There was an Argentine soccer team in this weekend – special thanks to Rick Thoroughgood for setting this up and Bill Meyers for setting up the reception at Augustine Country Club plus to all the families that hosted the Argentine players. The event was a great success and fun for all involved...even had one of our County Board of Supervisors speak to the group during hand out of gifts at mid-field between one of the scrimmages.

Secretary – Luke Harden

- None.

Treasurer – Tom Paton

Recreation Division – Carla Smith

- A meeting of the recreation division was scheduled for April 17.
- It was recommended that SASA get out of the uniform distribution business and that would make the management easier in the fall. **ACTION:** Reb and Lynda look to find a local soccer store that would handle uniform distribution.

Classic Division – Toby Brown

- Classic Tryouts in June – Toby presented an alternative to requiring all players from classic to be required to attend try-outs. The Board believed it is still in the best interest of the intent of the Classic Division to have full tryouts each June for the next soccer year. The travel division offered to provide assistance during the classic try-outs.
- Classic high school league for Fall 2007 – Four coaches have sought the establishment of this level within the classic division. There Board discussed the merits of adding this age group to the Classic Division, but decided that without further justification it was not within the best interest of the intent of the Classic Division.

Travel Division – Nick Scarpinato, Jr

- None.

VIII. New Business - None

IX. Adjournment

At 9:49 pm Nick made a motion seconded by Luke to adjourn the meeting, the board unanimously supported the motion and the meeting was adjourned.