

Stafford Area Soccer Association
Meeting Minutes
November 6th, 2006

I. Call to Order-7:00pm Meeting Time

II. Public May Address the Board:

- Martin Scovell, U10 Recreation Div. Coach attended the meeting, nothing specific to address Board with.
- Elvis Lewis was not present
- Mike Pinette, U14G Classic Division Coach came to address the Board to consider Classic Division allowing older than U14. He was informed that SASA is not interested in this. Reb suggested he look into the High Scholl Girls House Soccer, designed for the U14-U19 age groups at the Field House.
- Martin Dell with VPSC presented to the Board his project to bring PDL and WLeague and Super Y League to Fredricksburg area.
- FC Fredricksburg Gunners
- Super Y to begin in June thru first part of August for U14-U17
- Will not conflict with regular season play
- Working with Field House to develop stadium space
- Staff to live in the local area year round, possible trainers and support for SASA
- PDL will be 8 home/8 away games
- WLeague 7home/7away games
- Super Y League will play 10-12 games per season
- Fundraising ticket package being developed. Plan is to make game attendance a family event

III. Other Reports:

IV. Coordinator Reports(Those with approved agenda items)

- Operations Manager-Lynda Compton: Nothing to report
- Technical Director-Barry Hill: Fields are sorted out at this time for the remainder of the season. Some Classic and Travel teams still practicing as they are in tournaments
- Barry has stated that he wants to step away from organizing Field Usage/scheduling as it is a full time job and keeps him from being able to fulfill his position as Technical Director

- Website/Tournament-met with Paul Ellis of SA he is working on getting information together for a Sponsorship letter that will be distributed to all the Travel Coaches and Managers. DC United has been contacted to help in this area as has Eurosport.
- Proposal is being sent to Barry for t-shirts and gear for the tournament
- Indoor-signups are still coming in for the Skill session at the Field House
- Field House is looking into putting in an outdoor turf field. They are looking to charge Clubs \$50,000/yr for X amount of hours. Barry commented that perhaps SASA could put up some of the upfront costs to the Field House to secure exclusive use of the turf site. That is left for a later discussion
- Coaching Coordinator-Ric Thoroughgood , Not present

V. Motion to Approve Minutes: Passed

VI. Action Items: No Action Items at this time

VII. Board Reports:

- President-Reb Benson
- Elvis Lewis did not attend meeting, vote is delayed on his appointment to Public Relations Coordinator
- Carla Smith put her name in for approval to Recreation Division Director. Discussion took place to ensure that Carla is prepared to put support personnel in place to help her with the position. She understood and offered that she plans to stay in the position for some time.
- Motion to approve Carla's appointment was made by Tom Paton, seconded by Nick Scarpinato. Carla Smith is appointed Recreation Division Director
- SASA has a new contract with Stafford County. Reb to meet with the county to work out the pay structure currently imposed by the county against the Travel Division
- Bond Referendum to be voted on tomorrow
- Paperwork has been signed by Reb and Tim Conklin to dissolve SSC
- Website-tournament side to be up and running ASAP, entire site to go public in 2-3 weeks
- Drew McGregor-Vice President
- Drew has been in contact with Positive Coaching Alliance. They are the organization that partners with NCSL and WAGS to train coaches. He will arrange for them to present before the Board their ideas for developing a partnership with SASA
- Luke Harden-Secretary
Not present

- Tom Paton-Treasurer
- Getting ready to close out the books for 2006

- Carla Smith-Recreation Division Director(newly elected)
- Carla asked if we could check to see that only authorized folks have access to CMI

- Toby Brown-Classic Division Director
- Toby thanked Barry and Lynda for providing equipment(safety pins and tryout numbers)for upcoming Classic Div. tryouts
- Classic and Travel coaches will be helping with tryouts
- Toby wants to order coaches equipment now
- Toby believes there will be heavy turnout for upcoming tryouts. He asked folks to start thinking about how to handle the Spring tryouts, as this will be a large scale event

- Nick Scarpinato,Jr-Travel Division Director
- Tournament Committee has been created with representation from Classic Division as well as Travel Division
- Classic Division teams may participate in the St. Patrick's Day tournament provided teams supply volunteer hours that weekend. Same as Travel teams, no fee due as long as team parents help during the weekend.

VIII. New Business:

Rick Thoroughood suggested changing the name of our Classic and Travel Divisions. Classic change to Instructional Division and Travel change to Select Division. The Board did not recommend this change.

Florence D. Helms Award- looking for nominations of individuals or organizations that have made a significant contribution to the youth of Stafford County.

VYSA Workshop taking place February 9-10th, 2007. SASA will reimburse for participation.

- IX. Adjournment:
Meeting adjourned 9:10pm