

MDSL August 2009 Minutes

Email meeting was held due to low attendance expected. The following is report submitted by each board member.

Please note: Jay Dills is requesting a vote on an item for Family Soccer Day. Please reply directly to me your vote of yes or no and I will compile.

Also note, Jill Stienes' report about Travel uniforms ready for pick up by families on Friday at Sports of Course.

Members in Attendance:

Visitors:

Presidents report (Mike Koval)

Working to get all fields lined. Should have Miller Park and Railroad done this week. That leaves the Firehouse and Wethers left to finish. Thanks to all who have turned out to help.

Almost like Home Storage has agreed to sponsor us for a year. We have added them to the website as a sponsor. In return, they have given us a \$250 discount annually on storage. We are now getting a 10 x 10 space, for about \$7 more a month than we currently pay for the small space at the Car Wash. This facility is off of Constitution in New Freedom. I would like to get our equipment moved in there in the next week or two so we can close out our other account. Volunteers gladly accepted.

Jenny has officially taken over from Rich as treasurer. All transactions, bills and checks will come through her from this point. Special thanks to Rich and Terra Valway for all of their help over the past two and a half years.

1st VP-Registrar (Judy Holloway) No report.

2nd VP-Games Commissioner (Shawn Watkins)

Game schedules are complete and posted. There were several games that did not fit within the Sundays 8/30 - 10/25 framework because of uneven numbers of bye weeks. These games have been scheduled for the morning of 10/17 in lieu of practice for those teams. The teams are scheduled to play against the team they practice with in most cases. I have not had any questions or complaints about those games, or any game times and dates thus far. I will remind those coaches about the game as it gets closer.

K-1 games are scheduled for 9, 10 or 11 AM on Saturdays. Grades 2-5 are playing Sundays starting at 1PM. Grades 6-12 games are scheduled for Sundays starting at 3PM.

The tournaments will be scheduled for Saturday 10/31. Divisions with 4 teams will play a round robin tournament while other divisions will play double elimination. Championship and consolation games will be scheduled for 11/1, 11/2 and 11/3 with 11/4 and 11/5 being the rain dates.

Met with 3 referees and the parent of another on Thursday evening. We discussed expectations of the referees and answered questions they had. I expected to have 6 or 7 referees there. I have scheduled another meeting for Sunday at 3PM at Hametown. At this point I have only met or spoken with 6 people (including myself) of the 14 people for whom I received email addresses, or who had contacted me to express interest in doing the job this fall. We will need a minimum of 6 referees weekly, and obviously not everyone is available every weekend, so more referees will be needed. It is my strong preference to

have met with and personally talked to every referee I put on the schedule so that we ensure we're on the same page and they are clear on what we expect of them and we are clear of what they expect of us in return. It is my intention to release a referee schedule no later than Wed 8/26. I will provide the schedule to Jenn, James and Mike as well as the referees when it is completed.

Mike Koval has informed me that referee shirts will be ordered through Xara and that we will be providing cards to the referees. I hope to have those prior to the first game to distribute.

I had initially intended to go to individual practices to talk with parents about the soccer rules. It has become clear that my schedule simply will not allow it. I would like to try to put something together for Sunday afternoon. Is it possible to send an email blast to all parents?

3rd VP-Travel team Coordinator (open position)

All coaches will be required to have completed Green Card reports for travel games this season. One person per club will be responsible for submitting all cards no later than one month after the final game.

This is being done primarily for insurance purposes, in the case of someone being injured in a game, that the league has a record of a child playing. Failure to submit cards will result in a fine of \$15 per card missing.

Travel season to get underway the weekend after Labor Day. We have seven teams competing in fall leagues this year. In some cases, teams will need to play an extra game due to divisions with an odd number of teams. This means that in some cases, a team will have to play on a Saturday and Sunday during the season. Schedules out this Thursday.

Mandatory coach meeting is this Thursday night at 6:30 at Holidome in York.
Discussions to hold E or D Coaching License classes in Hanover this winter. Details to be released soon.

4th VP-Website and Public relations Coordinator (Lisa Miller) No report.

K-3rd Intramural Coordinator (Jenn Kernan)

Team rosters have been sent to all coaches and most teams have already begun practicing. For the teams that coaches attended the mandatory coaches meeting, they seem to be running smoothly. For those that did not attend, they seem to be behind in contacting their players. I think next year we need to really enforce the importance of attending the coaches meeting so they are prepared with updated rosters and have equipment.

4th-12th Intramural Coordinator (James Smiley)

All teams built for 4th-12th.

4/5 Division has 7 teams
6/7 Division has 5 teams
8-12 Division has 4 teams.

Some registrations still coming in. Working with Judy to get these taken care of ASAP since we have to worry about uniforms orders.

Need to know if there is someone taking the role of making sure the fields are lined and goals placed.

Indoor Coordinator (Jeff Brady)

Indoor Registration will begin October 1st. A bulk email will be sent and flyers will go to all the schools. I will distribute the flyer to the board in the next few weeks for review and then submit it to the District Admin office for approval. As part of the bulk email and perhaps the flyer, I will be soliciting someone to take my place as Indoor Coordinator for the 2010/2011 season. Hopefully someone will sign on and work with me for the upcoming season. I am still waiting to receive the approval letter from the school district for Southern Elementary but I have been told that it is approved.

Travel Registrar (Julie Buchanan)

Travel Registrar-I have most player passes and rosters back from York USA. Still waiting on a few more. All teams have been signed up for Dillsburg Tournament and payment has been sent.

Treasurer (Jenny Hall) No report.

Fields Coordinator (open position) No report.

Uniform Coordinator (Jill Steines)

Travel uniforms are in and will be ready for pick-up on Friday. Parents should pick and pay for the uniforms at Sports of Course.

Secretary (Cynthia Bilbie) No report.

Past President (Terry Kelly) No report.

Special Event Coordinator (Jay Dills and Dawn Weaver)

I wanted to ask the board for a vote on using having a DJ for Family Soccer Day. It would cost \$345.00 for 10-5 pm, but I would not be renting the dunk tank or bounce house.

Parent volunteer forms for Family Soccer Day and MDSL Apparel Order forms are posted on the website now. (Thanks Lisa!)

Fundraiser Coordinator (Melinda Landis)

Fundraising cards for travel players are expected by the end of the month.

Equipment Coordinator (Amy Watkins)

Inventory was taken, bags were made up and given out. Thanks to Melinda and her team for all their help!

We were short size 4 balls, first aid kits, pumps, needles, & pennies.

We purchased 65 new size 4 balls.

Mike has been in contact with someone about getting shirts we can use as pennies.

We still need to get first aid kits. No teams have them.

We also still need 17 more pumps for the 2nd - 5th grade teams.

Soccer Clinician (Jim Dills) No report.

Open Business:

Meeting Adjourned: n/a

Next meeting is Thursday September 10th 7:30 pm at Shrewsbury Elementary, science room. Please note we are back to meeting at 7:30 pm.

