

## MDSL September 2009 Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm on September 10, 2009.

Motion to approve August meeting minutes by Jay and seconded by Lisa.

**Members in Attendance:** Mike Koval, Jeff Brady, James Smiley, Jay Dills, Jenn Kernan, Judy Holloway, Cynthia Bilbie, Lisa Miller, Shawn Watkins

**Visitors:**

### **Presidents report (Mike Koval)**

Shrewsbury, NJ uniforms -- Received this week --- 221 uniforms ranging in sizes. They are short sleeve jerseys, but we can use as pinneys, practice jerseys, etc.

Thoughts for next year.

Travel to IM transfers-- uniform info needs to be exported after transfer. We only got jersey info. What happened to the sizing on shorts?

Question—Does uniform info clear each year or holdover in profile? Is it mandatory that parents have to enter or change so that they don't leave last year's size?

Socks—Need to pull off or make N/A. We order one size for each age group. We are confusing parents who think they get the wrong size.

IM Division Transfers—we need to be able to do this without starting a new registration and dealing with late fee. Last year, we were able to move kids between divisions without any charges or problems for IM coordinators.

Lots of issues with requests for late registrations—I think we need to have a firm date for the coordinators to stop taking last minute requests. We need extra uniforms. More importantly, why try to balance team strength when we are going to keep adding more players?

Special Requests—Clarification—Discussion focused on how best to accommodate special requests.

Storage—Would like to get us moved into the new storage area this month. Have not paid to start up with Almost like Home off of Constitution but they are sponsoring us and I would like to get this moved in the next couple of weeks. We will have keys to get on the fenced in property. Travel coaches will need keys to access storage for flags and paint.

### **1<sup>st</sup> VP-Registrar (Judy Holloway)**

Suggestion was made to give travel coaches MDSL shirt. Mike will contact Xara about shirts.

Discussion on if travel teams should be allotted a certain amount of money when they win their division. It was decided to not allot any monies at this time. The league awards metal to division champions each season.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> VP-Games Commissioner (Shawn Watkins)**

Twelve referees are signed up to work this fall. No problems reported with last week's games. Ref reports must be submitted after each game. Refs are not paid until their report is submitted.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> VP-Travel team Coordinator (open position)**

York USA is looking for feedback on going to mandatory 8 v 8 for U-12 travel next year. US Soccer and other programs around Pennsylvania are going to 8v8 to promote smaller sided games.

U-8 rec leagues—York USA has gone to coaches reffing as they had too many issues with parent complaints over refs deciding U-8 games. Problems with parents keeping score on the sidelines. John F- observed that games are too competitive for this age group.

**4<sup>th</sup> VP-Website and Public relations Coordinator (Lisa Miller) absent** No report.

**K-3<sup>rd</sup> Intramural Coordinator (Jenn Kernan)**

IM had their 1st games 2 weeks ago. Everything seems to have run smoothly. Cindy received an email from Shrewsbury Fire Hall regarding trash being left on the field. I forwarded the email to all 2nd grade coaches and requested their assistance in informing their players and parents to make sure all trash is picked up.

Would also like to discuss with the board a practice location change that was granted to a 2nd grade coach. A request was made by a 2nd grade head coach to change the location of his weekday practice. I forwarded this request to Shawn Watkins since he is Games Commissioner. Shawn approved this request.

**4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Intramural Coordinator (James Smiley)**

All team building is done, practices and games underway, and I am not getting any reports of problems. I take this to mean that no issues yet exist and that all will run smoothly as the season goes on.

I have had to reject a number of late registrants - the only one I have not said no to is someone moving into the area within a week or two who would like to register for the fall. It was discussed it is too late to add anyone else to the program due to uniforms being order and invoiced.

**Indoor Coordinator (Jeff Brady)**

I have received the approval form for Southern Elementary so we are good to go for Indoor soccer at both Southern and Friendship. I have updated the flyer for the 2009-2010 Indoor Season and sent it to our Registrar, President, Secretary, etc. for review. Indoor will use t-shirts again as in the past. May consider uniform shirt for Spring IM. Indoor Registration will begin October 1st and end November 7th after which a late fee will be assessed. Still looking for an Indoor Coordinator to work with me this year and take over next year. I would like to see the Spring IM Coordinator become a Board Member position so I can continue to do that the next two years and retain my voting power and continue to cause chaos with the board!

**Travel Registrar (Julie Buchanan) absent** No report.

**Treasurer (Jenny Hall) absent**

Now that I have access to Blue Sombrero, I will be able to reconcile the last 2 statements I have with the deposits shown on BS.

I need to know from Jay how much she will need for the DJ (cash) on soccer day and also if she might need other cash for that day.

I have one or two NSF checks that I will address, after I get the contact info from BS. I will be purchasing some window envelopes to make mailing of bills a bit quicker and will be purchasing computer checks (vs. hand-written) so that we will have a more accurate record of the outgoing monies (check stub rather than just a handwritten note on the bills). I will also use petty cash to buy some stamps.

**Fields Coordinator (open position)**

Fields have been lined and in some cases relined already. Thanks to all of those coaches and parents for their time and effort to take care of this. We need to stay on this as the fields are fading with mowing and rain.

Frank Buchanan has offered to volunteer to take over as field coordinator. Thanks to Frank for stepping forward to take on this important task at this time of year.

Both Hametown's fields soccer nets are in bad shape and should be replaced.

**Uniform Coordinator (Jill Steines) absent** No report.

**Secretary (Cynthia Bilbie)** No report.

**Past President (Terry Kelly) absent.** No report.

**Special Event Coordinator (Jay Dills and Dawn Weaver) Dawn –absent**

Team Parents have been set for all teams (one team without-coach and wife are doing it), I have a spread sheet of email addresses for Team Parents if anyone needs to contact them for any reason (easier than our site, since people aren't registered properly), just let me know

Apparel sale looks like roughly \$500 sales, items to be delivered at Family Soccer Day.

Family Soccer Day- We will have a DJ. Double D Dogs has agreed to sell hotdogs, sodas... to help cut down on volunteers needed for the day. We will still ask for donations of baked goods. Dawn is working out the picture schedule which impacts scrimmage and volunteer schedules, but hopefully we'll have that soon. The initial volunteer form for that day didn't state times because it was all tentative. It will most likely be something like 9-5 and it is being held at ShES.

**Fundraiser Coordinator (Melinda Landis) absent**

The fundraiser cards are out to all of the travel teams. We need to decide what to do with the extra cards. Do we want to try to have IM sell them as the fundraiser also?

There are a few new travel players added to Orner's and Michael's team that will need more fundraisers cards.

Extra fundraiser cards can be distributed to IM teams via the team parents. Cards should not go to the teams but maybe instead a copy of the card distributed for sale to parents.

**Equipment Coordinator (Amy Watkins)** No report.

**Soccer Clinician (Jim Dills) absent.** No report.

**Open Business:**

**Meeting Adjourned:** Shawn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 and Lisa seconded it.

Next meeting is Wednesday October 14<sup>th</sup> 7:30 pm at Shrewsbury Elementary.