## January 19, 2014

#### Present:

Shelbie Ewing
Colleen Christenson
Edenia Buboltz
Ben Von Ende
Scott Simmons
Alisa Bartel
Kim Nogosek
Skip Pierce
Mark Omodt
Trent Nelson
Grace Osterbauer

The January meeting was called to order at 7:03pm at the St. Anthony Community Center. Shelbie moved to approve December minutes. The December minutes were approved.

# **Board/Coordinator Reports**

#### **President:**

Introductions of new members. We need some field ideas for travelling for meeting in February for both games and practice. Feb 7, 2015 MYSA Winter Symposium at Minneapolis Convention Center Shelbie and Ben Von Ende will attend this event. Booster Field meeting is February 11 at 7 pm, each summer sport will attend. Monday January 26<sup>th</sup> Shelbie will attend North District meeting. February 1, 2015 is the deadline to promote or relegated. Kim needs to know this asap for scheduling.

Vice President: nothing to report

## **Treasurer:**

Kim reconciled with Hal. There were no questions out of the ordinary. Kim's ledger matched Hal's. Scott made a motion to approve Kim's ledger all were in favor. The ledger was approved. The 2015 budget will be made in February.

**Secretary:** nothing to report **In House Coordinators:** 

- -Introduction to Soccer: Shelbie Ewing February 1, 2015 registration open date and March 20, 2015 closing date.
- -U6 Coordinator
- -U8 Coordinator- Alisa Bartel

Shelbie nominated her to be the U8 coordinator all in favor.

-U10 Lorinna DeWalt

Shelbie nominated her to be the U10 coordinator all in favor.

Fields: not in attendance

# **Traveling Coordinators:**

Marcay volunteered to be a coordinator. Kim nominated Marcay Westrick to this position all in favor. They are developing a coaching manual to bring tangible information for the new coaches as a useful resource.

Booster is up to an 8<sup>th</sup> grade group. Soccer has older players which may conflict with field space. We need to look outside of St. Anthony for field space. Kim has looked into several locations for rental space. Kim is looking for connections she can use to make scheduling of practice and games more consistent if there is an issue for field space in St. Anthony. Please feel free to contact Kim Nogosek. Kim is interested in knowing what Soccer Boosters wants to do as far as pushing for field space to accommodate all age groups with appropriate sized fields. The Board is concerned if push back is too strong we may lose field space from the city and school. Three teams beyond the age of Boosters are the only team we need to find field space for.

Field space is a hot topic for the community. How can Booster's get community support to open the field space up in the community?

Registration closed for travelling with enough for 10 teams.

Boys

U11

U12

U13/14

U15

U16

Girls

U11

U12

U13/14

U15

U16

All with coaches.

Some registrations by the deadline for some older boys and there weren't enough to make a team for a U17/18. Kim was going to refund the players. A coach wanted to get enough players to field the team. Kim explained the coach would need to find his own field place and pay for it until Boosters know if we have field space.

Two teams were promoted and one boys' team relegated.

We need to schedule 2 uniform nights in early February.

## Player/Coach Coordinator:

Tentative date for British Soccer Challenge is the week of July 27<sup>th</sup>. Ben would like 3 coaches rather than 2 to support the number of players. This is not confirmed as of yet. There was some concern regarding Village Fest getting set up. What could we use for indoor space if the weather is not good enough to be outside? The Booster's will look into indoor space. Ben was invited to a MYSA Director of Coaching Symposium to meet 4 times a year to disseminate information to other coaches.

# **Practice Scheduler:**

Trent is working on the website to allow coaches to look at availability and sign up. Mark would be interested in having a two week blocks to sign up for a consistent schedule.

## **Goals and Net Engineers:**

They are looking for guidance as to what is expected of them. Kim gave them information as to what to look for with net expectations. Repairs could be made if necessary. They will speak to Dave and John Lynch. Kim reassured them they have a budget for repairs and necessary locks. There are only 3 sets for them to take care of.

#### **Referee Coordinator:**

We don't need to find referee assignors. Try to schedule as many double headers as possible as it is easier to schedule referees.

#### **Uniforms:**

Grace wanted to remain with Wally for uniforms. Grace is looking for a dollar amount for what the cost should be for uniforms for this year. The uniforms would be used for 2 years. Scott wants her to look at what a team bag would cost. Grace needs to give Kim the 2 nights and a cost for uniforms. February 7 and 11<sup>th</sup>. Coaches need to have matching uniforms for travelling.

Concessions: nothing to report Fall Soccer: not in attendance Equipment: not in attendance

**Spirit Wear:** Scott will have an order form for spirit wear at the uniform ordering event.

Website: not in attendance. Questions were asked if website pages for teams were cleared out.

**New Business:** 

Kim attended Sport's Booster meeting. Wording is changing for zero tolerance. Background checks cost \$5.00 for in-house right now adding it to Ngin would bump it up to \$9.95. Updating logo for girls softball.

Mark Omodt brought up the free play outdoor option for next fall.

Are we sticking with the Joy of the People model for next fall? Does St. Anthony have someone that would be able to teach the skills as well as Joy of the People?

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

#### 3/16/15 Soccer Board notes

Present: see sheet

February minutes presented, shelbie moved. scott seconded Minutes approved.

**Quorum** present (Shelbie, Scott, Kim, Ben)

# President:

Re-election of returning members:

Shelbie Ewing, President
Scott Simmons, Vice President
Edenia Buboltz, Secretary
Kim Nogosek, Treasurer
Dave Stepan, Fields
Ben Von Ende, Coaching Coordinator
Colleen Euell, Referees
Pat McPherson, Fall Coordinator

Shelbie moved, Ben seconded. Vote: approved.

City is requesting we work in budget to allow for a more field paint (up to \$1000) for stadium field as city is staggering U11-12 fields.

British soccer camp - City will charge no fee for field use this year, have waived the fee for us, but suggests we make next year's camp a fund raiser (even if for a small amount)

#### SAB business:

Request from Boosters that we affirm that all coaches have completed concussion training. Ben reported that all have complete

All field requests (outside of regular season) will have to come from Booster president.

#### VP: no news

# In-house Coordinators (only Shelbie present):

207 total in-house registrations (close Friday) 22 intro to soccer 72 U6 55 U8 58 U10

All age groups have plenty of coaches. Might need a few U10 to have two per team

U10 field update - in discussion with Fridley. Fridley will have ports-potties and all fields lined by start of soccer. Monday and Tuesday night fields not for sure. Shelbie will continue to negotiate (Boys monday and Girls tuesdays). They meet at end of March.

# Travelling: Marcey and Kim

All coaches have their rosters

50 games confirmed on Stadium Field, other games held at National Sports Stadium, Fridley might still be able to provide alternate space.

Practices can start April 6 (officially under SAB auspices. Anything before that must be done on your own, with no Booster or MYSA support)

Practices on C1, Upper Wilshire and Lower Wilshire (until games start)

Note: there'll be some street construction alongside south side of Wilshire field.

Practice and Game fields will be completely worked out before April 6

11 teams. 188 players registered.

# Treasurer: Kim

Revised budget presented (reflecting Feb 15 board meeting discussions)
Included separate breakout for booster traveling (U14 and younger) and club traveling (U15 and up)

Kept photography charge for booster traveling. Scott moved budget approval, Ben seconded. Approved Ledger presented - balanced with Hal.

Fields : Dave no report

#### Practice Scheduler: Trent

Will be able to use google scheduler for practices until games start, will adjust as we know more

Will work with coaches at coaches meeting to schedule

## Goals and nets: Mark

Working on coordinating with Dave Stepan.

#### Coaches: Ben

Working with Challenger Sports on insurance issues.

Working with Chado Alvarado (MYSA) to host youth certificate in May

All traveling coaches have completed concussion training

Getting interest from in-house coaches.

Challenger coaches will run a coaches clinic at the end of camp. More details later.

Traveling coaches meet Thursday, March 26. Field updates/equipment, etc.

Working on developing resource options for coaches.

Referees: Colleen no report

# **Uniforms**: Grace

Have turned uniform information to Wally Palyshun. Big order should be here end of next week.

Payment has been submitted.

In-house to start soon.

Wally is providing free Traveling coaches shirts. Still \$20 to use per coach. Working on wind shirt.

In-house will provide shirt sizes by April 15. Questions about last year's cotton t's and screen printing

# **Equipment**: John

John not present but sent Shelbie some info.

Will need more #4 and #5 soccer balls, pumps, gloves, pug nets and repair kits, etc. Monday, March 23 needs help getting bags ready. Day might not work. Shelbie will update

Website: Chris no report

Concessions: Edenia no report

# Spirit Wear:

Per conversation with Steve Moen, issue with how you work it... how to order/etc. Issues with logo and orders. Will continue to work on it. Estimates coming.

Fall Coordinator: Pat

Working on planning for Fall 15 Scott presented a modified program based on Fall 14 Pat will review and present a formal proposal at next meeting

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

Boosters meeting update - Football is having a coaches book club.

Meeting adjourned... 8:57:53 pm.

# April 20, 2015

#### Present:

Shelbie Ewing
Edenia Buboltz
Ben Von Ende
Marcey Westrick
Kim Nogosek
Pat McPherson
Skip Price
John Lynch
Scott Simmons

The April meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center. March minutes were tabled until the next meeting as we did not have quorum.

# **Board/Coordinator Reports**

#### **President:**

Shelbie updated in house news. At this time there are 266 registrants. Some are still trickling in. We need a U10 coach. There are 4 teams total coach for this age group. Emails have been sent out attempting to recruit volunteers. There have not been any responses. Options are being considered. The coaches will need to be split up to field all the teams and give the children more play time. Games don't start until June.

## **Vice President:**

Boosters will be in the parade for Village Fest! Possibly get inflatables again.

## **Treasurer:**

There were some in house refunds for children not registered at the correct age group. Due to error on brochure dates for registration 5 families will be reimbursed for late fee. Ledger could not be approved as there was not a quorum.

**Secretary:** nothing to report

**In House Coordinators:** not present. Shelbie reported for them. We are getting in last minute registrations in.

## Intro to Soccer:

U6:		
U8:		
<b>U10</b> :		

#### **Traveling Coordinators:**

Field updates were looked at and came up with a beautiful plan. Kim has been in contact with New Brighton for practice space. Games are still being rescheduled. Uniforms have been dispersed to travelling teams as well as player passes. 6 games that were scheduled are a mandatory reschedules. Biffy's are in place.

# **Player/Coach Coordinator:**

Thursday May 7, 2015 at 8pm for in-house coaches meeting. Ben has tentatively scheduled the complimentary hour and a half training by MYSA, John Curtis coming May 9<sup>th</sup> around 9-10:30. Shelbie will check with community center for indoor space in the event of poor weather.

The idea of a goal keeper's clinic in St. Anthony session for older children and possibly coaches as well. They would want to be reimbursed for their time. The budget has not been discussed. Hire someone at the high school/collegiate level to do specific training with goal keepers. Target group?? Ben will develop a short list of providers. Ben thinks this would be best to start sooner than later.

Referee Coordinator: not in attendance.

Referee assignees have received the home field schedule.

Uniforms: not in attendance.

Traveling uniforms went out. Grace needs to let set a date for inhouse uniforms to be in.

#### **Concessions:**

Edenia brought up the possibility of buying a freezer for the stand. She needs to set up volunteer's for the games when the reschedule is finalized.

#### Fall Soccer:

Pat wants to Board to confirm what is going to happen in fall by April meeting. The Board will discuss options for fall at the March meeting. Pat brought up hosting a tournament in between the end of spring/summer and beginning of fall.

#### **Equipment:**

John all travelling gear has been delivered. Spent \$800 so far included balls, pug net bags and replacement parts. Pug nets need to be fixed before they are dispersed. John needs to know how many

teams. One set of corner flags are missing. John will plan a night to get bags set up. We need to order more penny's at youth sizes. Set of 8x24 nets have been found! Purchased more air pumps.

# **Spirit Wear:**

Scott will pick up from where Grace left off.

Website: not in attendance

**Fields:** not in attendance.

Google calendar on website has been helpful.

Practice Scheduler: not in attendance

## Goals/Nets:

Goals are in pretty good shape. Nets are in pretty good shape. One set may be moved to stadium field to accommodate both age groups playing on that field. We will need to have the 7x21 goal there before the first game which may be May 5, 2015. Coaches have been flexible with the sizes available at this time. Dave Stephan has been helping get nets taken care of.

#### **Fall Coordinator:**

Pat would like to get the fall options going. Pat is looking into Joy of the People again for next fall. More of a player friendly league. Pat is looking for direction into what fall soccer will look like for this upcoming fall. The expense would be adding the league option up to U14. Do we need refs? Pat will get more details nailed down and bring them back to the board.

New Business: there was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm. The next meeting will be Monday May xx, at 7 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center.

June 15, 2015

#### Present:

Edenia Buboltz
Steve Oslund
Shelbie Ewing
Kim Nogosek
Ben Von Ende
Marcey Westrick
Scott Simmons
Dave Stephan

The June meeting was called to order at 8:04 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center. Shelbie made a motion to approve March and April minutes. Kim made a motion to approve March minutes. All were in favor. Kim made a motion to approve April minutes. All were in favor. May minutes were tabled.

Steve Oslund, a player parent joined the meeting to express concern about the over rostering of Marcey's team. Player benched because she is an over rostered team member. Dave Stephan explained his team is over rostered and girls on the team know they may not be able to play. U11 girls were over rostered to accommodate Steve's daughter's late registration in hopes she would receive some play time. Scott explained the rules and regulations in accordance with MYSA. Steve was not open to Scott's explanation.

Marcey explained the game in question was an unfortunate situation and apologized for not being in contact with Steve. Steve Oslund left the meeting abruptly after Edenia explained there needs to be responsibility taken by parents for late registration. Over rostering creates an opportunity for players. Board discussed possibly setting up policies for late registration and over rostered players.

#### **Board/Coordinator Reports:**

President: Shelbie received notice that MYSA is now in compliance with the IRS and they are in good standing. Shelbie thanked the board for their hard work and dedication. This summer for some reason has been complicated and Shelbie is appreciative of all of the VOLUNTEERS on the Board and the Fields.

#### Vice President:

Scott thanked Shelbie for steady and supportive leadership. Scott has Boosters registered in the Parade for Village Fest. Kim made a motion to donate a Fall Soccer registration for the Silent Auction. All were in favor of this motion. Scott would like to have fall registration available near the inflatables. Scott is going to proceed with Spirit Wear.

**Treasurer:** Kim- presented numbers.

**Secretary:** nothing to report

# In House Coordinators:

Jen updated that all is going well for the U6 age group. Numbers are higher than last year. U10 observations- a specific coach screaming at linesman and referees behavior as a couch is unacceptable. Volunteer coaches need to portray great sportsmanship. There is Zero Tolerance for belittling referees and players. Ben will address coach presence on the field as to provide a positive learning experience for all players.

#### Intro to Soccer:

The field set up is great for this age group, out of the way and there are no distractions during training.

U6:

U8:

**U10**:

Traveling Coordinators: Marcey and Kim

Marcey suggested expectations for players be established for players if there is over rostering in the future. For example, all players attend all practices and games as a team.

MYSA game number 1953 both teams were fined for a forfeit although it was a TBD game. Roberta Kruse MYSA competitive director cleared the fines and the forfeit for both teams. Kim has asked Mark to keep the records of all the emails between Rick Klabechek and himself. Season is winding down. Driftwood is secure there is a game there this evening. Soccer Boosters might want to consider an alternative approach to assigning referees for games. The current referee assigning vendor has been unable to successfully find referees.

Wednesday is deadline for signing up for State Tournament.

Kim got an email from U18 coach regarding photos. Kim responded in order to keep the U18 teams cost down photos were not going to be included.

**Player/Coach Coordinator:** British Soccer Camp Coaches will be hosted by one family in St. Anthony. Registration is still available. Ben is trying to negotiate a goal keeper's camp. He has some new leads for after the season. U12 coaching has been a challenge. Ben will initiate a discussion to continue keeping families in the loop regarding the players being happy and are doing well.

Referee Coordinator: not in attendance

**Uniforms:** not in attendance

**Concessions:** possibly sell out left over stock at Village Fest.

**Fall Soccer:** Pat is getting Joy of the People set up again. Only looking at Saturday Futsal with Khalid. Sundays could be set up as an open play group. Two nights a week one for girls and one for boys for free play during the week. Sundays would be a day that Boosters would need more parent volunteers. Pat will work on getting registration ready.

**Equipment:** not in attendance

**Spirit Wear:** Scott will have a proposal by July meeting.

Website: not in attendance

**Fields:** MYSA needs an unplayable determination to reschedule game. Rain is not considered unplayable. Gary needs to get School district policy of field closure. Dave is working with Gary on field usage. C1 may need to be reseeded. Football practice field is being used solely to grow grass.

**Practice Scheduler:** not in attendance

**Goals/Nets:** not in attendance

Fall Coordinator: not in attendance

**New Business:** MN United Club day group of kids can be ball people. Meet and Greeters. High Five Squad. There are four dates available. Soccer Boosters is considering this event for the soccer club.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 pm. The next meeting will be Monday July 20, at 7 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center.

# St. Anthony Soccer Board Minutes August 17, 2015

#### **Present:**

Edenia Buboltz Ben Von Ende Scott Simmons Kim Nogosek Tom Kuykendall Pat McPherson

The August meeting was called to order at 7:05pm at the St. Anthony Community Center. June minutes could not be approved as there was not a quorum.

# **Board/Coordinator Reports**

**President:** not in attendance

**Vice President:** Scott led the meeting. There was not a quorum. Tom presented. He has been involved from 2001 on Basketball Boosters. His challenge has been tracking coaches. Claims will not be covered if coaches have not had concussion training and back ground tracks. MYS is a service industry not a profit. It is a national registration base for coaches. He believes the vote will pass. Soccer Boosters is the last group to hear about the program, all other sports have been informed.

One time a year back ground check.

Tracking at the boosters' level can be easily tracked with this program. \$27.50 per person. Traveling coaches have to have back ground checks done by MYSA. It can be set up per sport so each administrator can check registry for their coaches. All 4 components must be completed for certification by program.

Scott wanted to know how each sport would fund this program per coach. Tom will propose the general fund would subsidize the roll out of this program.

Vote at booster level is on Sept. 16

Pat and Scott set up the inflatables for the Village Fest. The Board would like to thank Matt Able for the use of his vehicle to transport them back and forth.

Scott will handle the tshirts for fall soccer.

**Treasurer:** Kim presented ledger. Everything is cleared except one item. A few coaches need to send in their qualifier info. We could not vote on ledger without quorum.

**Secretary:** nothing to report

**In House Coordinators:** not in attendance

**Traveling Coordinators:** Marcey and Kim would like to send a survey to coaches through survey monkey to make their jobs easier. They would like to do 2 separate coaches meetings to give first time coaches a more in depth orientation. Soccer social was a great way to start the season. They are locking in to fields at Driftwood for next year so it is ready to go for next year on a larger field. Revisit the handbook. Set a policy for over rostering for teams. They are also looking into as two components as Booster Age and then Club Soccer Age. Kim is looking at price point for each age group. They want to expand the program in a way that might work be sustainable in the future.

# Player/Coach Coordinator: Ben

In house season has wrapped up. He would like to get family surveys out. Each age level needs coaching team names. U6 coaching meeting was held to clarify some of the rules of games.

Ben needs to send email to coaches to return equipment. British Soccer Challenge went well there were 55 players some were from outside of the community. A recommendation from them was to have a Soccer Booster Rep there each day. The program needs to be advertised earlier than the Boosters did this year to encourage participation.

Referee Coordinator: open position

**Uniforms:** not in attendance

**Concessions:** The concession stand made \$446.76 in profit.

**Fall Soccer: Pat-** Schedule for fall soccer is available. Ted is teaching under 6. Ace is teaching 10 and above. Outside will be at upper Wilshire. 6 weeks. Weekends Sat. is skills. Sunday indoor for games. Pat needs to take care of equipment for upper Wilshire. Pat will need a lot of parent support to help with coaching.

**Equipment:** open position.

**Spirit Wear:** Scott presented items to the board. How do we collect and sell these items?

Fields: not in attendance

Practice Scheduler: not in attendance

Goals/Nets: open position? Mark has not officially resigned but Skip has resigned.

# **New Business:**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm. The next meeting will be Monday, September 21st at 7 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center.

#### **September 21, 2015**

#### **Present:**

Edenia Buboltz
Ben Von Ende
Scott Simmons
Kim Nogosek
Matt Abel
Owen Salzwedel
Rod Salzwedel
Bob Goldstein
Jasper Goldstein
Pat McPherson
Marcey Westrick
Shelbie Ewing

The September meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center.

# **Board/Coordinator Reports**

Guests to the meeting: Owen and Jasper came to the meeting to address having access to the soccer nets. They are interested in knowing why the nets are always locked up and they would like to be able to access the community nets. The board explained that the Boosters are required to have them locked at all times when they are not being used. Insurance liability is also a factor.

Rod and Bob pointed out baseball fields are open and batting cages are open at all times for anyone to use. School and city keep an eye as to if soccer goals are open. There was question regarding having a permanent set of soccer goals. Has there been a discussion to have a permanent set put in? Boosters will look into having permanent.

The next step could possibly be to put a soccer wall up. Soccer Boosters does not have the ability to have free reign with space we need to contact to school/city. Boosters own the nets. Kids can use the nets in the hockey rink but not in the open spaces, Bob wondered how this is not a liability issue but in the open space it is a liability.

Owen is wondering why there can't be one at the Wilshire park school.

Boosters are open to solutions.

**President:** Shelbie made a motion to approve June and August minutes. All were in favor and minutes were approved.

Shelbie discussed U12 boys' team. It was brought up at the Sport's Boosters meeting to see what other sports would do in a situation where a whole team left. Tom (Sport's Booster's President) would like to have a "town hall" meeting with parents. If the coaches discussed this during the season there could be a MYSA sanction. The U12 boys' team leaving is causing a rippling effect on the whole program. What may happen next year is that there may be teams that do not have enough players to play.

Shelbie made a motion to call a Town Hall meeting to discuss with parents and/or to send an email with all the information regarding the new age groups, MYSA regulations etc. so families are educated about the choices they are making. Kim proposed Wed. Sept 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:30. Scott is going to set up a google doc. All were in favor.

Scott made a motion to vote Matt Abel in as our goals and net keeper. All were in favor. Matt accepted the position.

All sports approved the new background check program. It will be paid for out of the general fund for the first year at \$27.50. The second year is a \$10 cost.

Shelbie reported each sport through has to have an in session time and an off session time. Fall soccer would cease to exist as a Boosters sport. However, we can run it through a community education program. We would have to pay for field etc. as an off season program. We could run it as an auxiliary program to run fall soccer. Registration could not be through Soccer Boosters. Through MYSA we are registered as St. Anthony Soccer Club. This opens up opportunities to continue running fall programming. We need to clarify Soccer Club bylaws. Due to this possible change the Fall Soccer position may not be necessary.

# MYSA changes:

Age divisions for the 2016-2017 seasons. The new calendar year age groups will begin the summer 2017 season. Summer 2017 will be the NEW start of an MYSA soccer year for interclub (club to club) transfer purposes and will be considered our first season. MYSA will change its current soccer year of Sept 1 through August 31 to the new calendar year. Jan 1- Dec 31. Beginning Jan 1, 2017.

Summer league placement will be self-select for all age, gender and divisions. This will be a onetime exception. Promotion/Relegation will go back into effect for the summer 2018 season based on the league standings from summer 2017. Fall will remain self-select.

Format, field sizes are changing, team size, and goal size.

We need to identify what we have and what we will need as new goal sizes.

October 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for financial assistance to MYSA to accommodate new standards of goal sizes. We need to inventory exactly what we have and what we need to in order to access to assistance.

Boosters will need to look at bylaws and possible some sort of evaluations. We may have to develop a subcommittee to put together a process of evaluation.

Open positions on the Soccer Board: an equipment person and referee coordinator

**Vice President/Scott:** Spirit wear logo with Huskie. Spirit wear will get our new logo. A list of what is available will be ready by spring. Everyone approved the new logo.

**Coaches/Ben:** Jessica is interested in doing another goal keep training.

British Soccer Camp 2016 -How are we going to make it happen? The sooner we let them know the better. We would need to cover the cost of field space. Insurance coverage would also need to be provided.

Director of Coaching: MN Youth Coaching Conference is coming at the end of the week.

Intro to Soccer/Shelbie:

**U6 Coordinator/Jen:** 

**U8 Coordinator/Alisa:** 

**U10** Coordinator/Larina:

Fall Soccer/Pat: Futsal is doing well. Possibly sell indoor goals and use money for inflatable goals.

**Treasurer/Kim:** possible open position

Everything balanced with Hal. Any other expenses will be for fall. Thank you card from Nelson family and Ewing family.

The board approved the Ledger.

**Secretary/Edenia:** nothing to report

**Traveling Coordinators/Kim and Marcey:** we have a draft calendar for what needs to be done for registration. 11/27 surveys have been returned from coaches. Feedback has been positive. Marcey will bring results to next meeting. New Standards from MYSA are coming!!!

**Practice Scheduler/Trent:** 

Referee Coordinator: open position

**Uniforms/Grace:** 

Concessions/Edenia:

Equipment: open position. A couple of in-house bags are still out. We need to set up a time to inventory what was turned in and what we may need.
Website/Chris:
Spirit Wear/Scott:
Fields/Dave:
Goals/Nets/Matt: Welcome to the Board!!
New Business:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 pm. The next meeting will be Monday, October 19th at 7 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center.

September 30, 2015 - Town Hall Meeting

Meeting time: 7:35 pm

Presiding Table:

Kim	Marcey	Shelbie	Scott	Ben
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# Prepared notes were read.

- Shelbie introduced group.
- Ben explained why we are here (Soccer coach/team leaving).
- Kim explained registration by-laws based on age, grade level and in/out district.
- Marcey provided more background (timeline of events leading up today).
- Ben discussed community concerns:
  - o Equal vs Reasonable playing time
  - o Regular season vs Post Season
  - o Over roster play limits
- Scott explained USSF and USYS team formation changes in 2017 (birth year, no longer school year)
  - o Fully committed to following the rules.
  - o Registration with MYSA provides insurance.
  - o If you leave and sign with another MYSA group, you cannot come back that year.

Questions:	Response:
If in district, does that trump age of out of district?	If 15 sign up, kids in district get priority over out of district.
When signing up on line, are you notified of over rostering?	No, signup is with club, not MYAS. Someone will notify you be over rostered.
Can anyone play?	Can only suit up 14 players in post season, during regular season anyone can play.
Coach comment: - We didn't understand over rostering policy and did not communicate that with players and parents - With that knowledge, would have coached differently.	
Can younger kids play up in post season?	Yes - within club if their team is not playing.
Kids playing in 2004 could be playing with 2002?	Younger kids may want to play up to play with same team. MYAS allows based on physical ability. In 2017, if kids still play up with team, may span three years teams, not two.
	Kim Comment: Guidelines were created based on history. Coaches previous wanted players and asked younger players to play on their team which left gaps in available players at different age group.
	Scott Comment: Individuals are allowed to move. Concerning when entire team wants to leave. Wanting a High School team. Note: Cannot tell a U11 player is going to get a scholarship, sometimes the worst player develops into a star.
Coach Comment: Did call Shelby and notified her they were leaving. Board did not initially respond. Email was sent after the verbal conversations.	Scott Comment: Unfortunate that board didn't hear before the decision was made.
Coaches were extremely fair with parents, they notified them of the options to stay in St. Anthony.	

Comment: Soccer does not get much support from St. Anthony for fields.	Kim - When calling around, multiple clubs have to rent playing fields. St. Anthony does not get charged in St. Anthony. Some opportunities are provided.  Scott - could increase costs to guarantee fields, not desired. Registration costs - ~\$125 - others clubs are much more.
Tom K - Not sure when fields became so sparse? Not negative one field.	One field in St. Anthony was down for maintenance.  Driftwood did open up around July 1 <sup>st</sup>
Tom K - why does team want to leave? Fields?	
Are teams limited to twice a week? Teams are held back if they are limited.	No, occasionally they offered a 3 <sup>rd</sup> .  MYSA recommends 120 to up to 225 minutes a week.  (provided up to 270)
Tom K: meeting with all sports in Feb and set yearly schedule. Rain affects fields - held evenly over all boosters.	
Comment: Doesn't appear equal because of fields are available.	Kim - we try to give equity to all teams.
Tom K: Fields need maintenance.	Scott - Board has never prevented a team that they cannot practice 3 times a week. Teams may need to find space on their own.
Comment: Feels like there is pressure to not have 3 <sup>rd</sup> practice.	Survey sent to coaches: Responses said they are adequate.
Tom K: asking for other issues:	
Comment: Rostering is another issue Wanting to keep boys together Wanting tryout	If tryouts, what do you do with extra players? Discussed if we have enough for two teams Reality - most of the time board is recruiting
Philosphy of St. Anthony does not really provide for players wanting a very competitive team. C1 players tend to sign up with more competitive clubs.	We have had C2 or C3 teams in the past - Provide for all kids
Tom K: Is the real issue that we want to hand pick the team:  No - team has developed and wants to move up as a team. Cannot be guaranteed in St. Anthony.	
Over rostering is a concern - don't want to waste four hours if my kid doesn't want to play	Same on any team of MYAS As team ages, rostering gets larger, may not be a problem. Coaches can ask to be a C1 or C2 team.
Can kids move down?	No - they can only play with their age group or play up.
If team below does not have enough players, what happens? Will they pull from above if the kids are younger?	No, kids can choose to play in any age group at or above theirs. Players have asked to play up with friends.
Tom clarification: U12 team - can they stay together next year?	If same kids sign up, all 16 could be the same team. If new kids show up, may change the team. Cannot guarantee. Goal is to keep a growing team together.
Difference in Philosophy: Board wants recreational soccer instead of competitive soccer.  More offseason training	A team can play out of season, but they need to get their own fields

More field opportunities	Kids can sign up for other opportunities. Club cannot support, but some coaches are doing it now.  Board has a responsibility to other sports. Coaches can work it on their own.
Coaches do not feel they are supported and want to go to a club where they are provided more opportunity.  Provided full fields spring and fall.	
Tom - Are we sure this team is leaving: Personal opinion - can leave, but they cannot come back. What happens if team folds?	Would keep a team and heavily recruit. Ask other communities for extra kids.
	What happens if we recruit and then the team that leaves wants to come back? How do we tell the kids we recruited?
St. Anthony Sports Boosters is an advisory group - sports can ask opinions If somebody wants to leave - they cannot come back is Tom's personal opinion. Makes it difficult for parents who stay - will there be a team? Do they sign up because then they cannot sign up in other locations.	
U11 is here because they are concerned with players being recruited to other teams outside of area.  Not playing up, it's the recruitment that's the concern.	
If kids come into the district by invite from the board to fill a roster, what happens next year? Why is it a problem this year? If the team wants to come back, what happens?	Invited kids would be kicked out - not a valued added to board and bad culture.  Kids are not guaranteed a spot from year to year.
Open enrollment is very limited - there are more parents in district.	
When Emerald was redone - placement of fence and rink affected the field. At what age does the size of the space no good for soccer?	Age group we are talking about is too old for the field size at Emerald.
	Soccer fields are limited by size and lights.
Tom K Advice: Work with Trent on usage of fields If team wants to leave, let them leave. Tryouts are okay for traveling Soccer is much better than what it was 5 years ago.	Registration fees can change - 15 years and up may need to start driving to rented fields
What would it take to get the team back?  17 people have sent checks to the Blaze, not sure if this can be reversed. Will check.	
Would the players be willing to pay more for more fields? No answer	
Is over rostering very common?  Need policy on moving kids up and over rostering.  Tom K opinion - No offseason training - would not want it so I can do what I want. Have not heard that	Yes
the board prevents offseason training.	

Recommendation: If a team is playing up to a high level, should be written in policy they get a 3 <sup>rd</sup> practice. Fees may need to go up.	Scott worries about boys who leave in two years when age group changes occur. Is it in the best interest of the youth to leave the club now?
Recommend a second meeting if leaving team can get out of Blaze after the board meets.	

Meeting goals were met - communication was achieve and hopefully kids will continue playing soccer.

Meeting adjured at 9:16.

Minutes recorded by Greg Mitchell.

# October 19, 2015

#### Present:

Edenia Buboltz
Ben Von Ende
Scott Simmons
Kim Nogosek
Matt Abel
Pat McPherson
Marcey Westrick
Shelbie Ewing

The October meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center. Shelbie made a motion to approve the September minutes. All were in favor.

#### **Board/Coordinator Reports**

## President/Shelbie:

U12 boys' team will be moving to the Blaze as a team. As a board we need to come up with a policy for teams that decide to leave the program as a team. The board openly discussed a possible policy for entire teams leaving the Boosters soccer program under the direction of a soccer boosters appointed coach.

The board is moving forward with establishing a subcommittee to address policy regarding recruitment. Kim made a motion to the above...... it was second and approved.

North District Meeting- this Sunday evening. She will bring up recruitment that clubs are doing right on their website. The meeting is in Blaine at the Green Mill.

Shelbie brought up Guidelines for soccer at the high school level and the information provided. As a community we need to look at the process for bringing soccer to the high school level. What criteria do we meet already and what do we need to work on.

Shelbie made a motion to establish a subcommittee to begin the process for adding boys and girls soccer to SAVHS athletic program. Kim second it. All were in favor. No oppose!!

**Vice President/Scott:** Scott made a motion to remove Mark Omodt from the board. Matt asked whether this is a full board vote or an executive board decision. 5 out of 6 directors were present to vote on the motion. The board approved the motion.

# Coaches/Ben:

Ben's thought on the issue of teams moving- we don't need coaches that don't share our mission and common goal. If you have taken a team you will not be able to coach for soccer again in the boosters. This may affect all sports. If you are not committed to work for the benefit of the program and are building teams for other "clubs".

Ben is interested in getting his D coaching license in the spring. MYSA is restructuring licensing. The cost is \$350.00. The board will write the cost into the budget.

Ben has been working with coaches this fall and encouraging them to become more involved in coaching. Ben will look into sending out licensure information to former coaches to take some of the modules on line.

Ben would like to have someone available for goal keeping training. Ben would like to budget for this to happen. Possibly offer for novice goal keepers and experienced goal keepers.

**Intro to Soccer/Shelbie:** nothing to report

**U6 Coordinator/Jen:** not in attendance

U8 Coordinator/Alisa: not in attendance

U10 Coordinator/Larina: not in attendance

# Fall Soccer/Pat:

Fall is about done. Jotp still has not provided Booster's with an invoice. The U6 and U8 girls were not able to play free play on Sunday due to doors being locked. Sundays are low attendance days. Next year possibly consider not doing the 2<sup>nd</sup> day. Pat has some ideas for next fall under a Soccer Club vs. Soccer Boosters. The free play days during the week were a hit!! Lots of participants and parent support.

Treasurer/Kim: possible open position

Kim did not have a new ledger to submit. Kim is still working on final budget and looking at having an inhouse budget and a travelling budget. Specify what the up charges are for field spaces. Travelling teams would have a registration fee and a field space rental. The board agreed that players over the boosters age will pay a higher fee to accommodate field rental. The fee across the board will be increased to \$150.00.

Secretary/Edenia: nothing to report

**Traveling Coordinators/Kim and Marcey:** 

Registration is coming up. It will open in November 9 until January 8 2016. Uniforms are on 2<sup>nd</sup> year. So we don't need new uniforms for everyone or just new players. Marcey would like to have a soccer social and offer spirit wear then?? Marcey would like to have the dates on the calendar. Marketing for new players outside of St. Anthony. Libraries, Churches, Cub etc...

Marcey would like to address over rostering and come up with a policy. Marcey brought an over rostering form. The board expressed having a meeting with over rostered players and parent/guardians to explain what it means.

Coaching survey 37% response rate. Field space was an issue, practice time split, website could be more useful. 100% positive feedback for more opportunities for players and coaches. Rob commented that we could use older players as co coaches. Ben will follow up with Rob.

Coaches meeting date will follow. The meetings will be split with novice coaches and experienced coaches as to use our resources wisely.

We need to actively look for referee coordinator.

Practice Scheduler/Trent: not in attendance

Referee Coordinator: open position

**Uniforms/Grace:** 

Concessions/Edenia: nothing to report

Equipment: open position.

Website/Chris: not in attendance

#### **Spirit Wear/Scott:**

Scott has all the items ready to go the board needs to set pricing..... we can add other items with interest. Also looking at warm ups for spring.

#### Fields/Dave:

**Goals/Nets/Matt:** nothing to report but would like to have some information. What are his responsibilities?

# **New Business:**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 pm. The next meeting will be Monday, November XXth at 7 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center.