



LDSC 2020 - Club and Board Meeting Minutes
5/12/2020 8-9:30pm - via Zoom

Return to Play Zoom NY West 7-8pm

NYSWYSA- suspend play until 6/26 due to phases if county reopens by 5/15

- No coaches training course until 7/6
- State cup still a go
- Consider open play in July
- US soccer cancelled until 6/30 US youth soccer open in some states

Phase slide each county must meet a 7 point system before starting phases. All regions must be cleared in order to play in another region.

Each club needs to pick a set of guidelines to consider and adapt when we are able to return to play.

- Think outside the box to get kids playing again.
- consider changing rules to adapt to the current situation.
- clean balls is not always feasible
- provide hand sanitizer to coaches because kids touch everything
- communicate to coaches, players and parents on our plan and be flexible
- Keep protocols practical, simple and realistic
- should not check temps of kids violation to HIPAA we are not healthcare providers
- harmless waiver for parents to sign to avoid being blamed for kids getting sick
- NY west insurance policy does not cover kids catching COVID only covers injury during play or practice. To include Zoom or other virtual training (will not reimburse fees for insurance due to this fact)
- do not make kids wear facemasks
- will reassess in June
- roster size changes will be a league decision
- Thruway league yet to be determined
- social distancing while playing soccer creates issues hard for contact sport
- no training before phase 4 in any region
- no pinnies, no coach balls to share, no water bottles to share, kids on bench must be 6ft apart, Kids to bring their own water bottle and ball
- BWNYSJL if they move the season to the fall will the insurance fees paid cover that time frame as well?
No
- refs to follow NYS rules and regs
- grant program on hold

8pm Board Meeting

All board members in attendance. Attendance sheet updated.

Travel:

- Fall league BWNYSJL U12 and younger only because older kids play school sports.
- can we get fields ready in 2 weeks or less?
- Are parks in phase 1 or phase 4?
- no permits for HS until NY said ok to proceed.
- if season is cancelled can we do our own games or mini tournaments all in favor
- refund prorating if season shorten or cancelled
- mix emotion from parents on refund
- Brian refund strategy put on screen based on prorated U15 and under \$100 U16 older \$192 due to 80% of indoor used up before lockdown.
- Brian to look into how sports engines will refund and fees associated with it versus Reggie cutting checks.
- Donner will be rolling over all money not used this year and lowering fees for boys next year.
- Uniforma Kevin will reserve same uniforms from this year if possible
- Looking at 100k in refunds for both house and travel

House:

- House brings in 20K in fall, 13k in spring and lost leader for winter
- Spring house paid insurance fees of \$1000 already. Will speak to Kim to hold off in the future lost this money
- Cancel spring house due to phases not starting
- Chuck suggest we create camp opportunities for August
- We voted to extend pause order until 6/1
- We voted to cancel spring house and refund 100%. Pat motioned Mike 2nd all in favor
- Possible July free camp to do a train the trainer and recertification
- future discussion with Kim to set a level playing field. Should be going to Pat with issues not Mike or Chuck.
- wait to send out travel communication until 5/15 after BWNYSJL decision.

Scholarship:

- Delivery date is set for 6/9 at 6pm
- Look into ordering masks

Tournament:

- 26 teams registered no Lancaster teams yet
- If the league gets cancelled will we be able to hold tournament?

Communication sent out

LDSC COVID-19 Update 5/15/2020

As we find ourselves in these unprecedented times, we truly hope each of our LDSC families are safe and healthy. We are excited to get back on the pitch, but safety is our priority. We are actively working on exciting new programs to offer you once this crisis ends.

As many of you know, New York State has developed a 4 phased approach to the reopening of the state. Youth Sports falls into Phase 4 of that plan. In collaboration with New York State West Youth Soccer and guidance from US Soccer, we estimate we would not be able to get back to our regular programming until June 26 at the earliest. This is very dependent on how this pandemic develops both locally and nationally.

As a result the following decisions have been made as of 5/15/2020:

- LDSC Activity Pause Order - We will extend our current program pause order until June 26 for all activities.
- Spring House 2020 - We will cancel our Spring House 2020 Session – LDSC is currently working with our online registration provider on providing full refunds to each of our registered house players. Please allow us 3-4 weeks to process refunds. Refunds will be credited back to the credit card you used at the time of registration.
- Travel League 2020 - We will provide an update to the 2020 Travel Season as soon as possible as we continue to collaborate with BWNYSJL on next steps
- End of Summer Classic Tournament – No currently planned changes to the original date in July.

If you have any questions, please email us at LDSCSupprt@gmail.com

Emergency meeting set for 5/19 due to cancelation of travel season.

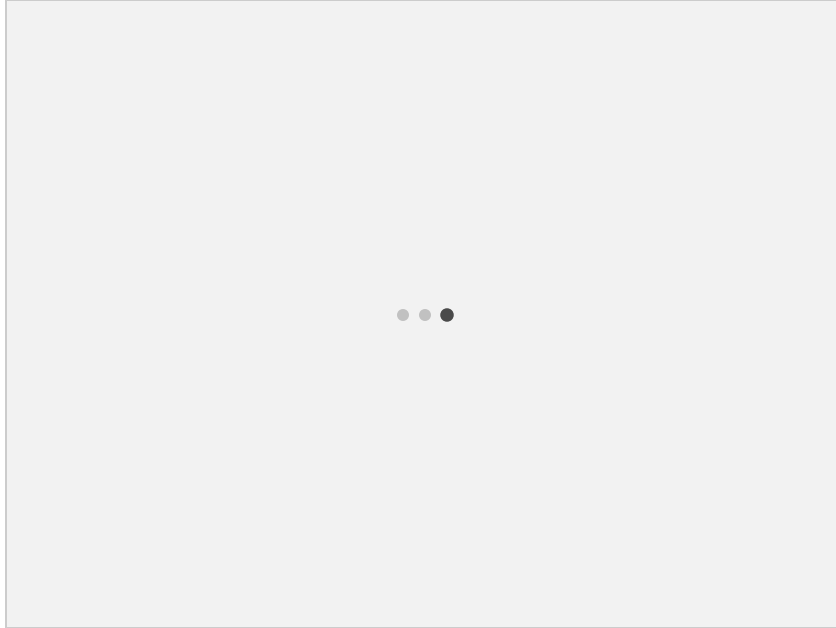
Sent by Ken 5/18

Board,

I spoke to Brian and he suggested I share my thoughts with the group before our meeting. I have been thinking around the refunds for travel over the weekend and want to put a proposal as part of our discussion tomorrow. With all that is going on and all the uncertainty I believe we are in a financial position to do something positive for Lancaster and LDSC. With that in mind I would propose we refund travel expenses in full. This would NOT include any uniform costs. What that would mean is we would incur a \$31,190,26 hit to the budget. I think however we could put a plan in place over the next 2 years to earn that money back. If we raise the cost of house by \$10 per player for Spring/Fall 2021 and 2022, as well as raise travel cost by \$20 for the 2021-22 and 2022-2023 season we should be close to even or ahead by Dec 2022 as it relates to this loss. Please note I do not think we should raise prices for Fall 2020 house, no Winter house increases, and travel 2020-2021 would also remain at current prices. I feel the message we can send is that we as a club have been raising funds for new fields and/or park for LDSC. However, in times of need such as this we want to give back to the community first and will put a

plan in place to recoup those funds down the road with minor cost increases. I think this would be a good message to the members and the town.

Below is a quick break down:



On a separate topic that I think we will need to move to in June, the 2020-2021 travel season. With the thought of a Fall league and potential extended playing for younger kids I think we will need a plan for travel teams, tryouts etc.. I have suggested to Brian that we may want to consider going back to the old way. What I mean by this is we hold tryouts only if needed. (especially for older ages). We as coordinators would still manage this. I am inclined to push coaches to keep teams as is for next season. We only add if needed (aka U10 to U11 or U12 to U13) or if kids do not return. Unless we have a large influx of new players, teams could stay intact, uniforms remain the same (number etc) so as long as they fit parents save on that cost and coaches avoid logistics of this. My thought is that we nail down the refund and messaging on our call tomorrow, and we then as travel coordinators develop a proposal that we then meet with all the travel coaches around via zoom. We don't need to discuss this tomorrow, but I wanted to get this on peoples radar for June.

Final note on uniforms. I know Kevin was confirming the availability. I am also inclined to put the individual item availability back on for next season. If a kid needs shorts and not a shirt, or doesn't need socks let them save the money for the 2020 - 2021 season.

Thanks Ken