

## Donegal Youth Soccer Meeting Minutes...July 10, 2008

Call to order: 7:08 pm.

- Minutes from June approved.

### Reports:

- Treasurer—Dan Dietrich
  - Libby will give refund to 5 U14 girls (not enough to make team).
- Fundraiser—Amanda Wagner
  - New rules for fundraiser pick-up...any items not claimed by 7:30 pm on Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> will be donated and no refunds will be given. Pick up your stuff or lose it.
  - Fundraiser money or buyout money will be due same day.
- Pictures—Amanda Wagner
  - No weekend pictures, all pics done during practice during week. Travel pics will be done during the week of August 18<sup>th</sup>. Be ready with uniforms!!!
  - Tanja Stynes will be doing all of our pics.
  - Amanda is looking for a replacement to take over picture duty...she will offer to Tanja first.
- Field Maintenance—John Schueing
  - Field set up is last Saturday of the month at noon. Any help would be appreciated.
- Equipment—Libby Foreman
  - Need to order another set of goals. New bags and balls are a 'go'.
  - Looking for replacement equipment coordinator.
- Travel—Terry Mumma
  - Looking for someone to take over Lanco Rep.
- U6—Stephanie Walpurt
- U8—Jessica Grous
  - Creating teams and looking for coaches (4). 10 teams total.
- LBYSA—Erin Mowrer
  - 1 U12 team and 3 U10 teams...2 U10 coaches needed.
- LAGS—Trevor Stynes
  - 1 U12 team and 3 U10 teams.
- Website—Trevor Stynes
  - Looking for replacement to take over website duty.
- Referee—Paul Ocampo

### New Business:

- Newly elected...one vote for all officers (adopted)...no objections...
  - President: Libby Foreman
  - Vice President: Trevor Stynes
  - Treasurer: Michelle Jones
  - Secretary: Jessica Grous
  - Director of Coaching & Development: Scott Steffen
- Bylaws committee must meet before official report is presented. Should present at next meeting.
- Playing up committee...proposal adopted with amendment of changing one 'age group' to one 'year'. Proposal explained at end of minutes.
- Trevor's bylaws accepted and post on site. Two changes: travel ball size and play times. Adopted.
- Discount extended to child(ren) of board members and age group coordinators (titled positions) and does not overflow to family members. Adopted.

- Coaches, assistants, and any/all volunteers for DYS need to fill out risk management form for EPYSA. Link found on DYS website. Email number to Libby.
- Travel Team committee created: Terry Mumma-head.
- Libby moved that \$250 donation be given to firehall for use. Adopted.
- Trevor moved that \$100 fee be spent to increase website authority for Trevor. Adopted.
- Michelle moved that we advertise in DHS Boys Program, \$250 (full page ad) to include DYS alumni. Adopted.
- 4 City Islanders will assist at DYS camp (Monday and Tuesday). Very exciting.
- Volunteers (coaches) should get preapproval first for any reimbursements. Libby will look up prices for pop-up tents for club to purchase and lend out to coaches. Also, Sports Authority...club discount? Libby will inquire.
- Change to U6 and U8 uniforms...adopted. Uniforms are now reversible. Forest green on one side and white on the other. Jerseys will show numbers 1-99. Coaches will now wear forest green T-shirts. Participants of And Me Program will now wear Kelly Green Camp Shirts (extras will be ordered).
- Michelle moved that the club would reimburse travel teams for uniforms ordered up to the equivalent of what the club already pays out for uniforms. Adopted.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:35. Next meeting: 08.07.08 at 8:00 pm. Maytown Firehall.

#### Playing Up Proposal:

It is the interest of DYS to properly develop the individual soccer player and that includes playing at a level that is commensurate with their skill regardless of age. A player will be allowed to play up an age group if it can be demonstrated that both the player and team will benefit from the player playing outside of their age group. The team that the player would have played for in their assigned age group must not become significantly affected in a negative manner as a result of the player playing out of age group. The decision to allow players to play out of age group will be considered on a case by case basis and will involve the director of coaching, age group coordinators, and prior and current coaches of the player. The Director of Coaching will make the final decision. Parents can make the request verbally or in writing to the Director of Coaching.

Family Situations: If a family has siblings who are close in age the parents may make a request to the Director of Coaching that the younger sibling be 'moved up' so as to be assigned to the same team as the older sibling. If the move will not negatively affect the quality of the soccer experience for all players involved, including the older and younger teams, this move will be considered. The player must have the ability to perform for the older team based on past soccer experience.

Exceptions: if, after exhausting all alternatives, there are not enough players in an age group, then the Director of Coaching and age group coordinators, at their discretion, may move players up to the next level based on the following:

- The players are able to compete at the 'upper' level based on their past soccer experience.
- The parents wish the player to be moved to the new level.
- The move will not negatively impact any of the players or teams involved in the process from a soccer or social standpoint.
- An evaluation is obtained from the previous seasons' coach.