
Newtown Soccer Club

Board Meeting

Thursday February 15th, 2024

Attendees

Jeff Rubino
John DelPozo
Carol Ann Davis
Joe Martins
Mike Gajdosik
Lindsay Knauf
Jen Delpozo
Kyla Stetson
Ryan Lyddy
Nick Booth
Rob Franson

Agenda

1. Public Participation
 2. Old Business
 3. Winter Clinic- Wrap Up
 4. Travel Update
 5. Rec Update
 6. Equipment Update
 7. Next Meeting
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Notes

- Public Participation- None
- Old Business- Any discussions needed?
 - Joe Martins name is Manuel on the last minutes. Please fix.
- Winter Clinics
 - Nick Booth: Would like to thank Rob for getting those 1099 forms out to all the coaches. They were very thankful. Sessions have been going very well. High school girls tried to build momentum on the team. Only two participants so we had to cancel that group. Could not justify the cost for only two players. Participation has been very good everywhere else. 16 player are in the keeper training.
 - SST isn't meeting our needs quite as well as NYA did. Batting cages are in the way. **Jeff Rubino to speak with NYA contacts to see if we can go back to NYA to see if the price point would be acceptable. A conversation needs to happen with SST next year prior to find out what can be done. Takes up a lot of space and it could also be a safety hazard.**
 - Turf outside fields open March 15th potentially. Depends on Parks and Rec field test. April 15th as well for grass fields. Dependent on weather.
 - 10 Weeks for winter clinics next year.
- Travel Update
 - Spring tournaments are getting picked up. Work in progress. Jeff to reach out to Rob on final costs for those.
 - Memorial Day Tournament planning is underway and a committee is formed.
 - Spoke about at the last meeting- Gear for coaches. \$1500 budget to pay for the gear for coaches. Nick Booth- coaches wore all the gear for the games in the past.
 - Vote to pay for the gear- Brought to vote, seconded, **PASSED**
- Rec Update
 - Registration is up for 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades. Watching the numbers coming in now, We will determine the number of teams and coaches once we see what the numbers look like.
 - Numbers are looking good. We even have some on the waitlist for certain teams because they are already full.

- Development Program: Been in discussion with Gil and what the program will look like. Parents want more coach presence. Less reliance on parents on Saturday morning programs. We are looking for options for how to boost numbers for those programs. Last year we had 138 kids participating.
- We need to train the kids during the week and then be there with them on the weekend in order to tie it all together. The program leader needs to be there on the weekends to make sure what was taught is being carried out.
- Board discussed Academy Program details.
- **Meeting needed with Gil on the Academy- Joe will reach out. Invitees to that meeting: Joe Martin, Jon Delpozo, Nick Booth, Ryan Lyddy, Jeff Rubino.**
- Equipment Update
 - Nets are still up at the middle school. **Carol Ann will take care of that.**
 - Lock box will be ordered and placed before season begins. The boxes will hold extra flags for the field. **Carol Ann to order.**
- **Next Meeting**
 - **March 12th 7pm, Community Center**