

Haverford Soccer Club Board of Directors

AGM Meeting Minutes – March 23, 2017

In attendance (Board): Monica Durfee, Greg Wiedeman, Tom Longo, Ben Davey, Bob Burd, Bill Bradley

Also in attendance: Donna Milius, George Newnham, Steve Roper, Damien Zillius

Absent: Bill Malone, Ed Marco, Mike Posencheg

I. Call to Order – 7:11 p.m.

II. Minutes from last board meeting accepted.

III. Old Business

None

IV. New Business

a. Treasurer Report (Bill Bradley)

- i. YE July 2017 showed a loss of \$22K (not considering the \$45K net profit from Welsh Cup). Will conduct budget review with program leaders for next year.
- ii. Last year's tax & financial information is posted on website
- iii. This year's tax & financial information will be posted when final
- iv. Cash per 2/28/17 is \$161K. CD/Money market is > \$100K.

b. Intramural Report (Tom Longo)

- i. Numbers have been steady. Current year had 1469 registered for Fall IM, 669 for Spring IM, and 362 for Winter IM (Futsal).
- ii. Haverford Soccer Club is the largest IM program in the region based on EPYSA data.
- iii. Spring registration is open.
- iv. Continued philosophy of the IM program is to structure teams based on elementary school – and these teams tend to stay together. Some disparity occurs, but there is a focus to maintain competitive balance amongst teams during the draft and team assignment process.

c. Travel / Training (Steve Roper)

- i. Summary of the teams, players, coaches, leagues being played was distributed. HSC has more travel teams (35 in the fall), more travel teams playing state cups (15), and more travel teams playing spring league (27) than in prior years.
- ii. Central League has transformed spring participation in particular where 27 teams are playing a spring league as opposed to 20 just last year. Central League is looking to continue to expand and build on its success.

- iii. Elite program of top U13 and above teams has been successful in being highly competitive by retaining core Haverford players and supplementing the core with a variety of players from neighboring clubs.
 - iv. HSC desires to train coaches for travel and IM. The club will refund up to \$200 for coach training to help offset costs.
 - d. Referees (George Newnham)
 - i. HSC run referee training two times each year – Class 8 and Class 9 courses
 - ii. It was a challenging year for staffing to support games – attrition from background check added work plus more tournaments and league games.
 - iii. IM referees – currently have 160 after the 60 get certified this spring.
 - iv. U12 and below – referees self-assign; U14 and up – George assigns
 - v. IM quality is hard to maintain as the good referees tends to move into Travel, and there is lots of turnover
 - e. Welsh Cup (Bob Burd)
 - i. 217 teams total. Good Saturday weather again. Poor Sunday weather again.
 - ii. \$45,000 net – which was a little lower than prior year due to more 11v11 games. Will adjust entry fees on 11v11 games next year to cover the higher ref costs.
 - f. Fields (Bob Burd)
 - i. By far the limiting factor for HSC. As reported, we are having more travel teams in the fall and the spring. The number of fields remains constant while more HSC teams and more teams from other sports are vying to use the available space.
 - ii. HSC has invested in field maintenance of township & school district fields using Windview Athletics. Currently contracted for Manoa Sod, Old Manoa, Preston as well as the Haverford Reserve Sod in 2017.
 - iii. This past year set records on net replacement, goal repair and goal replacement costs.
 - g. Academy (Ben Davey)
 - i. U7 & U8 program to help develop and identify players and coaches for travel
 - ii. Three separate seasons – Fall outdoor, Winter indoor, and Spring outdoor.
 - iii. Each season includes friendlies, playdates and/or tournaments
 - iv. Typically good turnout, except for U7 girls tends to be light.

V. Recognition & Awards

- a. Coaches of the Year last year:
 - i. IM Girls – Sean Stickel
 - ii. IM Boys – Dave Foster
 - iii. Travel Girls – Mike Boyle
 - iv. Travel Boys – John Lehman

VI. Introduction & Election of Members to the Board of Directors

- a. Ben Davey, Steve Roper, Damien Zillius summarized their bios and reasons for running for a seat on the board.

- b. Votes were tallied and Ben Davey and Steve Roper received the most votes, therefore winning seats on the board.

VII. Public Comment

- a. Board expressed gratitude for Damien Zillius for running and the desire for him to be involved in the club.
- b. Members expressed interest to coordinate better amongst travel age groups (A, B and C teams) for training, cross-training, best practices, etc.
- c. Members thought the website could be improved in two main areas:
 - i. Easier to navigate with current information
 - ii. Take opportunity to advertise how great of a soccer program Haverford Soccer Club is with unmatched value for the training, flexibility of parent and paid coaching, and vast variety of competition to very competition travel down to a very strong IM program.

VIII. Adjournment at 8:47 p.m. Next meeting is the Board Meeting is 7:00PM on April 17th, 2017