

MASSAPEQUA SOCCER CLUB

Minutes of the Monthly Membership Meeting of the Massapequa Soccer Club held on Tuesday April 19th, 2016 at Birch Lane Elementary School, Massapequa Park NY.

The Monthly Membership Meeting of the Massapequa Soccer Club was called to order by President Yuri Fishman at 8:00 PM.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

The meeting minutes were accepted from the March 15, 2016 meeting. Yuri addressed the travel team PAs in attendance and asked that they properly prepare their parents for the possibility of any national championship appearances that may be in the cards. Yuri also at the close of the meeting asked the PAs to come forward to receive their Adidas coaching shirts.

DIRECTOR OF COACHING REPORT:

Richard Nuttall, MSC Director of Coaching greeted the membership and then recounted a story about the infrastructure investment in Sheffield, England and the culture that sprang from that which yielded many great athletes including the latest Master's Champion Danny Willett. Richard likened the fruits of such an investment in sport to what is being proposed in the community for Berner Middle School.

Richard commended our PAs for their sideline behavior the prior weekend and also noted that he liked what he saw in terms of the style of play. He asked the PAs to continue to be conduits of level headedness and to remind the parents that we as part of MSC should be water on fires and never oil. He noted that it was the responsibility of the PAs to walk the talk and thanked them for their efforts in doing so to date.

Richard also noted that we as a club are working towards providing a more clear pathway for our elite players to the academy system.

Rich asked Jay Sherman to comment on the Father's Day Tournament and the status there. Jay talked about the tournament noting it would be more of a festival setting with activities and games outside of just organized soccer play.

Richard then gave Stephen Roche's report which outlined the MSC teams that had signed up thus far for the Memorial Day Tournament and asked that all do so asap if not done already.

Our Director of Soccer Operations (Boys & Girls DOC) Paul Bigilin then took the podium and walked the membership through the following items:

- LIJSL
- Communications with LIJSL ongoing regarding our thoughts around league setup/play at the U9/U10 ages (no standings/scores etc) and our ideas around U6-U8 training

- Club rostering to U12
- Announcements upcoming from LIJSL about changes to their offerings
- Ronan Wiseman soon to be announced as technical director for the league
- NPL Playoffs
 - BU12, BU13, GU12, GU13, GU14 NPL Playoffs will be June 4th & 5th
 - June 4th games will take place at the 1st place team's home field
 - 1st place East v. 2nd Place West
 - 1st place West v. 2nd place East
 - June 5th - location TBD
 - Winners of June 4th Games
 - U13-U18 Division winners qualify for the NPL National Finals July 14-18th in Colorado
 - GU15-GU17 crossover cup competition
 - Top 4 participate
 - Winner gets bid to the National Finals
- NPL Conference Call (please contact secretary@massapequasc.com for a copy of the meeting notes from this call)
- Next Girls NPL ID Session is May 17th

GUEST SPEAKER: Amanda Ferranti of Ferranti Empowerment (Sports Psychology)

- Please contact secretary@massapequasc.com for a copy of Amanda's presentation

GUEST SPEAKER(s): Lucille Iconis, District Superintendent / Alan Adcock Deputy Superintendent

- Lucille and Alan discussed the May 17th budget vote, the board seat that is up for vote and then walked through the details of the line item vote on the Berner Improvement plan. Mr. Adcock laid out the details of the improvement (renovated synthetic turf field, lighted, new track capable of hosting district meets, concessions, etc.). They also noted that Berner is the only possible school property where lights can be installed given residential restrictions. They noted that there would not be any tax increase as part of this plan or the school budget. The budget contains a 1.2% tax decrease. The Berner plan should it go through during the upcoming vote would be 53% reimbursed by the State of New York as a result of the work already slated to take place on the Berner school facilities. Should the proposal go through, the estimated "shovel in the ground" time would be Spring of 2017 with a completion of September of 2017 or the latest Summer of 2017 should groundbreaking get delayed. Questions came up from the members about use of the facilities and our speakers noted that the school district and local organizations would have priority access given it is school land and not town or county property. Lastly they thanked us for our time and noted they cannot advise on which way to vote, but stated the importance of participating in the process of voting on the budget on May 17th.

GUEST SPEAKER: Club trainer Eric Schmidt briefly talked about the MSC April Spring Break Camp and encouraged everyone to get their players involved and attending. He touted the great staff involved and the low cost of the camp.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Club Treasurer Kyra Kirtyan mentioned that invoices are done and that they would be out to teams this week. She noted that we are moving forward with the annual fee model. The actual fee has not been settled on, but it will be payable in 3 installments, but that we will ask for full payment by October of the soccer year for all U12-U18 players in elite programs (NPL etc); the estimate is somewhere between \$1200-\$1600. Kyra also recommended that any team fundraising be used for tournament fees as opposed to offsetting league and registration fees. Lastly, she noted that we are looking at doing a flat fee for LIJSL, but that it is trickier and it would not be in place for the Fall.

CLUB ADMINISTRATOR:

Denise Mushorn, club administrator discussed her work with regard to the MSC club dinner to be held on Monday June 6th at the Seaford Memore club. Teams will once again be responsible for a gift basket or for the equivalent \$50 for Denise/others to put together gift baskets on your team's behalf. Denise will reach out with details shortly. Lastly, Denise noted that registration is long since closed for all except for U4s.

INTRAMURAL REPORT:

SECRETARY REPORT:

SERVICES REPORT:

GIRLS TRAVEL REPORT:

BOYS TRAVEL REPORT:


COMMITTEES REPORT:

OPEN DISCUSSION:

MOTION: Adjourn Meeting

With there being no further business before the Membership on a motion by Yuri Fishman, seconded by Jim MacLeod on the April 19th Membership Meeting of the Massapequa Soccer club was adjourned at 9:58 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Yuri Fishman, President



Jim MacLeod, Secretary