

CPYSL Meeting Minutes
January 10th, 2024
7:00pm

Board Members:

John Abe, Tom Bieber, Jim Conners, Karen Crawford, George Gemberling,
Ronald Kaczmarek, Jim Lamb, Christina Loss, Chris Magness, Paul
Predmore, Simon Skudder

Staff:

Wendy Campbell, Terry Mull, Phil Frederick, Erin Seltzer

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Jim Conners.

Roll Call/Minutes:

- November meeting minutes approved via email.
- Attendees were asked to sign in at the front office desk and reminded at the end of the meeting.

Reports:

Registrar (Wendy Campbell-not in attendance but provided notes)

- Please familiarize yourself with the Calendar posted on the CPYSL website – all the dates and deadlines that I have provided are currently posted on the website.

- Spring 2024 Team Counts are open with FINAL Team Counts due by January 28. Make sure that the team's name entered in CPYSL matches the team's name in GotSport and on your Club Page, make sure the team's age is correct.

- Competition Committee meeting is Wed., February 7th. It will be held virtually via Zoom, Girls 6:30 PM, Boys 8:00 PM. Invitation link will be emailed closer to the February 7 meeting date. Post Competition Committee meeting results/bracket adjustments to be posted by the end of the day Fri., February 9. Clubs have until February 14 to "request" an adjustment to a team's division placement through the respective VP of Boys or VP of Girls.

- U13 & U14 age groups play Saturdays in the Spring
- Youngest eligible player in CPYSL in 2024 must have a 2017 birth year
- Spring 2024 League forms and fees are due in the office no later than Sun., February 11
- Field non-availability must be reported to CPYSL by Fri., February 16, Reach out to townships, parks, and school districts early for available fields.
- Spring 2024 League games are scheduled to begin the weekend of April 6 & 7. Plan to play a 7-game season and NO GAMES May 25 & 26, Memorial Day weekend.

- Fall 2023 financial information was distributed the week of December 18. If not already submitted, fees owed to CPYSL are due in office by January 30, 2024, please get payments in ASAP so I can close out 2023.

-Referee Fee Increase for Fall 2024-Spring 2025. It was mentioned at an EPYSA League meeting in December that there would be a referee fee increase for the Fall 2024-Spring 2025 season.

-U.S. SOCCER/FIFA ITC AND FIRST REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT, the league was instructed to do is, if a player has a non-United States proof of birth uploaded, we are to make sure that the U.S. SOCCER/FIFA ITC requirements are complete.

· If you have questions, you should reach out to Meghan Petroski at EPYSA.

Scheduler (Karen Crawford)

-Thank you for returning the fall score cards. Most teams did a great job with having them filled out correctly. Please continue to remind them to review the example score card which is posted on the download section on the website.

-Field Restrictions are due by Friday, February 16th, please email details to the scheduler, be creative with field times if you have more than one league playing on your fields.

-Team counts will be adjusted on the website post the competition meeting by Friday, February 9th. Please make sure to review the adjustments prior to Wednesday, February 14th and contact the appropriate VP of girls/boys if there is an issue (copy the scheduler on the email).

-Please double check all field venues and their field numbers/letters. They must match what you are entering with the team counts.

-Spring Schedule will be posted as soon as it is completed. If teams drop out after the competition meeting, it will delay the schedule. Please contact the office ASAP, if there is an issue with any participation of a team.

Treasurer (Paul Predmore-not in attendance)

Checking: \$110,352.75

Savings: \$200,472.67

Money management: \$203,020.39

Total: \$513,845.81

Game Commissioner (Jim Lamb-not in attendance)

-No Report

Referee Association (Terry Mull-not in attendance)

-No Report

VP Programs (George Gemberling)

-CPYSL would like to update the league website. Please email thoughts/information to George about website ideas.

VP Girls (John Abe)

-No Report

VP Boys (Simon Skudder)

-Spring Competition meeting will be by zoom. Simon will send out the potential boys' divisions prior to the meeting. Reach out to him with questions/concerns with your team placement.

President (Jim Conners)

-This past fall, there were 107 cautions and 9 send-offs to players along with 15 cautions and 8 send-offs to coaches/spectators. Please tell your teams/coaches/parents that it will not be tolerated. Our fines and sanctions will again be increased in hopes that this will cease.

-CPYSL continues to receive notices from referees of coaches not bringing the mandatory two copies of the game day rosters to the games and asking the referees (minors) for their cell phone numbers to be sent digitally. Per SAFE SPORT, this act is inappropriate and against SAFE SPORT policy. This MUST stop.

-A big problem with scheduling of games has been after the schedule has been posted, teams drop out. Please remember that if a team drops out, this results in voids in the schedule and inconsistencies that affect games and referee pool. BEFORE the schedule is run, please ensure that teams will be participating or withdraw from the non-participating teams in plenty of time we do not continue to have this issue and cause delays in posting the schedule.

-We are having an issue with club registrars adding teams and submitting paperwork without all the necessary birth certificates, pictures, correct names completed. CPYSL does realize that many of the clubs have volunteers in this position, but incomplete teams will be set aside and teams with completed paperwork will be worked on first, so it does not disrupt approvals of these teams.

-A message from Chris Branscome, EPYSA Executive Director: EPYSA has noticed incidents involving player safety, sideline behavior, and referee abuse are on the rise. Policies and complete 100% compliance needs to be addressed at the club level for SafeSport and Clearances for all coaches and board members within your club. EPYSA is threatening to take action on these lapses. Your club's risk management manager must ensure that all participants have this completed.

-EPYSA will hold it's Annual General Meeting on February 24, 2024, at the DoubleTree in Reading. Please see their website for further information.

-CPYSL would like to announce the passing of Randy Smith, long time member of Gettysburg Soccer. He was a coach, referee, tournament organizer, referee assignor and many more. He will be missed.

District Commissioner (Phil Frederick)

-Plenty of upcoming events happening within EPSA. See EPYSA's website for more details. <https://www.epysa.org/events/>

-January 12th and 13th Grassroots coaching course in Bethlehem and Lancaster

-January 20th and February 3rd Indoor State Cups located at In the Net, Palmyra, PA

-February 23rd Annual Awards Banquet

-February 24th Annual General Meeting

-Outdoor State Cup information can be found on the website as well. This information includes roster freeze date, brackets released and game schedules.

<https://www.epysa.org/state-cup/>

Election of Officers for 2024

-Michelle Klein from PA Classics has volunteered to head the nominating committee for the AGM meeting. Each year membership will vote in the board of directors. This year President, VP of Programs, and Treasurer along with 5 Board of Directors are up for re-election.

Position and current holder (2-year term)

- President: Jim Connors (no club affiliation)
- VP of Programs: George Gemberling (no club affiliation)
- Treasurer” Paul Predmore (no club affiliation)

Board of Directors (1-year term)

- Tom Bieber (Referee)
- Joe Butera (Past CPYSL Board Member, no club affiliation)
- Mel James (Dover United)
- Christina Loss (Eagles FC)
- Chris Magness (Susquehanna Soccer)

There are no floor nominations. Nominees ran unopposed and the slate of nominees as it stands. All in favor.

Club Reports/Good of the Game/New Business

-None to be reported.

Motion to adjourn at 7:40pm.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:
CPYSL Meeting
Wednesday, March 20th, 2024
7:00pm**