

CPYSL Meeting Minutes
March 20th, 2024
7:00pm

Board Members:

John Abe, Tom Bieber, Joe Butera, Jim Conners, Karen Crawford,
George Gemberling, Mel James, Jim Lamb, Christina Loss, Chris Magness,
Paul Predmore, Simon Skudder

Staff:

Wendy Campbell, Terry Mull, Phil Frederick, Erin Seltzer

Guest:

Chelsea Wehrman from UPMC Orthopaedic Care

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

Roll Call/Minutes:

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

Guest Speaker:

- Chelsea Wehrman from UPMC Orthopaedic Care presented options for Sport Injury Care in Central PA with more than 17 offices Flyers were available with detailed information.
- Three options: **Walkin Ortho Injury Clinic** in Harrisburg and Enola
Sports Medicine Department (concussion program, sport injuries, physicals, trainers)
Pediatric Ortho Care Department (surgeon for peds)

Reports:

Registrar (Wendy Campbell)

- Spring 2024 League games are scheduled to begin April 6 & 7. Final weekend is June 8th and 9th.
- No games will be scheduled on May 25 & 26, Memorial Day weekend.
- U13 & U14 play Saturday in the Spring (Sunday in the Fall)
- Youngest eligible player in CPYSL in 2024 must have a 2017 date of birth
- CPYSL Score Report Card distribution, check your club's cubby to pick them up or local clubs, your score cards will be placed in the pickup box on the porch and outlying clubs, the remaining cards will be taken to the post office on 03/21.
- Scorecards should be filled out completely, front & back, see example of a completed scorecard on the website under downloads.
- Teams changing Leagues for Spring play will continue to utilize their same 'official' roster from the Fall season. Change requests to that roster must be submitted to the League that approved the initial roster.

- All changes to a roster initially approved by CPYSL must be submitted to the office via a CPYSL COACH & PLAYER CHANGE REQUEST FORM
- A player RELEASE must first be APPROVED by the League before Transferring to a new team
- CPYSL's 2024 Senior Scholarship application will close March 30.
- Team Counts for Fall 2024 will open April 29 (close June 23)
- Cup Qualifying League (CQL) Team Counts will open August 26
- NO Referee Fee increase for Fall 2024-Spring 2025 season
- Please familiarize yourself with the Calendar posted on the CPYSL website – all 2024 CPYSL dates and deadlines

Scheduler (Karen Crawford)

- Please double check all field venues and their field numbers/letters. They must match what you are entering with the team counts. Check for accuracy of field directions.
- Remember to communicate with the opposing teams if a game change is needed. This needs to be done and requested in a timely manner. All game changes need to be requested at least 5 days prior to avoid fines for referee fees.
- Game change requests are completed within 48 hours of both teams agreeing to the change via the computer.
- When rescheduling a game, encourage back-to-back games at your venues, this will help with providing referees.

Treasurer (Paul Predmore-not in attendance)

Checking: \$126,741.14

Savings: \$2.20

Money management: \$153,743.57

15-month Certificate: \$301,053.70

Total: \$581,540.61

Outstanding invoices: Spring EPYSA league fees, March payroll, acct fees, atty fees

Game Commissioner (Jim Lamb)

- Reschedule games in a timely manner

Referee Association (Terry Mull)

- No Report

VP Programs (George Gemberling-not in attendance)

- No Report

VP Girls (John Abe)

- Make sure all rosters are accurate and club pass players are written on the scorecard and game day roster.
- If there is an issue with eligibility of a player, the referee will allow the player to play, and it will be noted in the referee report. CPYSL will check the status of the players.
- Completely fill out the score cards with player names/jersey numbers/game numbers/dates.

VP Boys (Simon Skudder)

-Please READ the coach guidelines and READ the league rules!! This is located in the DOWNLOAD section of the website. There is important information about rosters, games, venues, referees, etc.

President (Jim Conners)

-CPYSL concerns: CPYSL will be continuing to look at our Risk Management policy to assure it is effective and strong enough language wise to protect the participants we are entrusted to protect. Fines/Fees have been increased in the areas of referee abuse, please look at the League Fine/Fee Matrix to ensure there are no surprises when assessed because of these concerns.

-Reminder: Clubs are now required to have bylaws, risk management and participant safety policy, a Board of Directors which must include the separate positions of President, Treasurer, Risk Manager, and an Insurance Coordinator. As you revise your current constitution & by-laws to reflect these changes, please send an updated copy to the office here to keep your files current.

-Spring Season: We are looking forward to a successful spring season, please have a board member walk the fields prior to the first weekend to assure there are no surprises when games start this April. Winter has a normal negative affect on fields enough that issues do arise, and it is so much easier to correct now than 15 minutes before match time.

-Referee Course: there are currently 2 referee courses scheduled for this weekend in the Central PA area, with a course held at this office 3 weeks ago, with these courses our numbers will increase by almost 60 new referees. There is also a course scheduled for Susquehanna twp. on the 6th of April, please take that back to your clubs and advertise this additional opportunity. completed some in our area,

-Rosters on game day: Coaches are required to have two copies of their game day EPYSA roster at the field (one copy for referee, one for opposing team), along with the match report card, this is not something that you can email to the referee at game time for them to review & print out. Fines are in place for these indiscretions starting in the upcoming Spring season.

Game Day continued: Please have your coaches fill out the game card with the players checked off as participating, we still get many incomplete game cards noting no one played for a team, as players listed are unchecked when we receive the match card at the end of the season. Please note that CPYSL mandates teams & their fans to be on opposing sides of the field, this way a coach can intervene easily when a parent decides to escalate abusive behavior, hopefully before the referee needs to discipline & sanction the coach. It is also in place to assist the referee identifying what fan belongs to what team, one more logical reason is to keep players subbing off from having to interact with opposing parents/fans.

-Volunteer Referees: CPYSL now allows coaches of both opposing teams to assign volunteer referees when the following conditions are met: · If a referee has not been assigned (by referee assignor) to a game 24-hours before the scheduled game · If a referee has been assigned but had not confirmed by the designated referee 24-hours before the scheduled game The Referee Assignor will still have the ability to assign a registered referee within the 24-hour period. Once a registered referee or a volunteer referee is assigned by either, it closes this feature.

District Commissioner (Phil Frederick)

-State Cup Final Dates: NCS U12-U17 and President's Cup will be held on May 18th while Challenger Cup and NCS U18-19 will be held on June 2nd.

-EPYSA wants to have one on one meetings with clubs. They would like to have discussions with questions/answers encouraged.

-EPYSA is looking for volunteers to be on various committees.

Club Reports/Good of the Game/New Business

-Gettysburg Blue-Gray soccer tournament will be held over Memorial Day.

-ITC: Jim will send an email to Chris Branscome to find out the status of this.

-Risk Management Seminar to be held via zoom.

Motion to adjourn at 7:42pm.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:
CPYSL Meeting
Wednesday, June 12th, 2024
7:00pm**