

CPYSL Meeting Minutes
November 13th, 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

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

Roll Call/Minutes:

- September meeting minutes were sent to the board for review.
- Attendees were asked to sign in at the front office desk and reminded at the end of the meeting.
- All clubs must attend 3 meetings per year including the AGM which is a mandatory meeting.

Reports:

Registrar (Wendy Campbell)

- Congratulations to all Fall 2024 division Champions & Co-Champions!
 - Champions' patches are in Club cubbies.
 - Champions are determined by points earned from wins, ties, and losses.
 - Goal differential is not used to determine division champions.
 - Top teams with equal points in a division are determined co-champions.
- Fall score report cards are due in the office by November 30.
 - Club Registrar/Representative should be collecting ALL cards to turn into the office, send via USPS or place in DROP-OFF bin on CPYSL porch, NO EMAILS.
- Spring 2025 Team Counts will open December with FINAL Team Counts are due by January 26, 2025
- U13 & U14 play Saturdays in the Spring
- Youngest eligible player in CPYSL in 2025 must have a 2018 birth year
- 2025 CPYSL Calendar is posted on website.
- Reminder, CPYSL's team approval process remains unchanged. Completed forms and payment are due in the office PRIOR TO the approval of any team.
- Will begin working on the end of season financials, hope to have them ready to distribute by mid-December.
- Office closed for Thanksgiving week 11/25 through 11/29

Scheduler (Karen Crawford)

- There are a few more fines to be added to the website due to game related issues
- There were only 2 games left unscheduled for the season
- Need the scores of 2 games yet, please remember either the home or the away team can enter the score of a game.
- Several unauthorized players used in games, this does result in a fine and a win for the opposing team.

-Please take the time to clean up your club pages. Remove teams that have aged out. Remove field venues that are no longer being used by club. Update club officers as well.

Treasurer (Paul Predmore-not in attendance)

-Checking: \$139,985.77

-Savings: \$2.20

-Money management: \$154,774.40

-15-month Certificate: \$311,573.62

-VISA Platinum: -\$635.89

-Total Assets: \$605,700.10

-Outstanding invoices: Fall EPYSA fees, Oct/Nov payroll, acct fees, 3 qtr. taxes

Game Commissioner (Jim Lamb)

-It was a good season with most of the games being played.

Referee Association (Terry Mull-not in attendance)

-No Report

VP Programs (George Gemberling)

-No Report

VP Girls (John Abe)

-Congrats to the division winners.

-Reminder that all coaches need to be on the roster for the game being played. If you are substituting for another coach, have this coach added to the team roster. This will help eliminate questions at the field.

VP Boys (Simon Skudder)

-Congrats to the division winners.

-Start thinking about divisions and competition for the spring.

President (Jim Conners)

-CPYSL concerns: Playing an unregistered player means the player is un-rostered and uninsured to participate. If there is an injury to the unregistered player OR if the unregistered player injures another, this could result in a legal issue. There have been unusually high number of these this season which leads me to believe that we have had numerous instances in the past, just that our referees didn't bring it to our attention. Our assignors we will educate our referees to note the players not on the roster to ensure we can act quickly, second, the fine for this indiscretion has just doubled, and if it occurs a second time, tripled.

-Fall Season: There were fewer straight red cards this season directed at players. Straight red means that the player may have exceeded the boundaries of sporting behavior. There were three send-offs for receiving a second caution.

-EPYSA: If you have heard any news from USYS I am sure the birth year registration has been discussed at the club level about the possibility of USYS going back to school year registration. At this time, it is merely talk, there was a survey that went out to clubs in September from EPYSA, but that has been the only movement which was to gather insights prior to any consideration of change, and I have been advised by EPYSA that is all it is, talking points. Those of you who remember the transition we went through when the birth year registration was instituted & the nightmares that caused teams to break up or play up to match one or two players that were older. The bottom line is USYS is looking for ways to grow the sport, what the best

playing environment is, and the development of successful teams & clubs with the World Cup on the horizon, they want to be ready.

-Coaches/Referees: Just like the League holds our coaches up to a high level to be exceptional role models for our next generation, we do the same with our referees. We had an instance where a referee did not uphold the values, we feel are important, that referee is no longer associated with our League. So, to the coaches that feel they are singled out...not true.

-Message to coaches, when there is a problem with a referee, be it laws that might not be properly applied, or instances of interactions that are not part of the game, make a record of the inconsistencies, contact your club board and they in turn will bring the matter to our attention to be worked on to all party's satisfaction, coaches (& parents) not contact the office directly as the League gives no weight without the Club's involvement.

-Running up Scores: It seems every season here I am addressing the issue of unsportsmanlike behavior by coaches, the running up of the scores against an obviously weaker opponent, for what gain? Is there an idea this makes your players better & more skilled by winning by 5-10 or more points? CPYSL does not equate goals for/against in deciding the winner of a bracket, only win/loss/ties; and in those cases where there is a tie, co-champions declared. We have asked coaches (NOT REFEREES) to abide by the practice of removing a player once there is a 5-goal differential.

District Commissioner (Phil Frederick)

-EPYSA registration is up b 5% over the past year.

-EPYSA AGM and banquet will be held earlier this year, February 7th/8th. See EPYSA website for more information.

-GRANT MONEY: Grow the Game grant will be offering \$75,000 to clubs. Many of the CPYSL clubs have received past grant money, see EPYSA website to apply.

Club Reports/Good of the Game/New Business

-Windsor Township Rec (WRLU Soccer) is hosting two EPYSA Grassroots Coaching Licensing courses in Red Lion, PA on Saturday January 11th, 2025. Contact Chris Shaffer for more information.

(717) 244-3512

recdirector@windsorrec.com

Here is a link to each course:

7v7 (U9/U10) course: <https://learning.ussoccer.com/coach/courses/available/21/details/20003668>

9v9 (U11/U12) course:

<https://learning.ussoccer.com/coach/courses/available/20/details/20003669>

-D-license coaching course will be scheduled at the CPYSL office once the township releases the "barn schedule". Look for a future announcement.

Election of Officers for 2025

-Michelle Klein from PA Classics has volunteered to head the nominating committee for the AGM meeting. Each year membership will vote on the board of directors.

This year VP of Boys, VP of Girls, Secretary, Game Commissioner, and 5 Board of Directors are up for re-election. Contact Michelle if you are interested in a position, Klein17036@yahoo.com

-Nominations to be posted on the website 10 days before the AGM.

Position and current holder (2-year terms)

- VP of Boys: Simon Skudder
- VP of Girls: John Abe
- Secretary: Karen Crawford
- Game Commissioner: Jim Lamb

Current 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)

Motion to adjourn at 7:36pm.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:
Annual General CPYSL Meeting
Wednesday, January 8th, 2025
7:00pm**