

Rockaway Township Soccer Association

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Minutes of the Meeting 28 September 2005

ATTENDANCE

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| David Abrams | Mark Bertoli | Lisa Cangelosi | Carol Cristiano |
| Bill D'Addato | Renata Haila | Ray Hogrelius | Sharon Hogrelius |
| Betty Ingling | Laura Kaufman | Dave Keidel | Maria Lynch |
| Mike Lynch | Mike Masar | Robyn Masar | John Mongrella |
| Frank Morales | Steve Murphy | John Olsen | Orest Pencak |
| Angie Prasad | Vera Sainz | José Santiago | Scott Schrack |
| George Sousonis | Rick Suntag | Rob Thompson | |

Meeting brought to order at the Municipal Building by at 8:05 PM by President, Mike Lynch.

Secretary's Report (secretary@rtsa.org) – Rick Suntag

The minutes of August 31, 2005 were approved.

Reminder – Please sign in at all meetings you attend. You must attend 6 meetings during the previous year to have voting rights.

Treasurer's Report (Treasurer@rtsa.org) –Steve Murphy

We had a beginning balance of \$19,599.09

We wrote checks in the amount of \$3,700.00 for travel team referee fees for the fall season and we were assessed a \$2.00 returned check fee.

Checks in the amount of \$640.00 were cashed against our account.

We had no deposits.

We have accounts payable (outstanding checks) in the amount of \$3,260.00

We have a current checking account balance of \$18,957.09.

Boosters' Report (Boosters@rtsa.org) –Maria Lynch

Pictures – Sat Oct 22 9-3PM at Dwyer. We will schedule after directors have game schedules.

Everything is going well. NO meetings lately because of tournament meeting. We will have a table at the HowlOween tournament selling soccer balls and knickknacks. Anyone who is interested in volunteering their time, please tell Maria. Boosters is having a dinner dance fund raiser this year. Coaches, assistants, and board members will be invited. More details to follow.

Free RTSA magnets for anyone who comes to our meetings. If you need tournament patches, call Maria.

Vice President's Report (VicePresident@rtsa.org) – Maria Lynch

All the checks from registration have been deposited as of 9/27. All divisions have started. American B was struggling to get going due to lack of coaches.

President's Report (President@rtsa.org) – Mike Lynch

Challenger Soccer – physically and mentally challenged players play at White Meadow on Saturdays from 3:45 to 4:45 9/10, 9/17, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22. Please encourage your players to come and help out as buddies. It is EXTREMELY rewarding. Buddies of all ages are welcome – we have challenger players of all ages to buddy up with.

All divisions are now closed and not looking for more players. We are still taking calls from people looking to register. If directors do have room, please let Mike know. Challengers soccer will continue. We are looking for more buddies. This is a good community service opportunity for youth players.

Coaches' clinic was cancelled because of weather. We will try to reschedule.

Discipline issue that we talked about last week will be brought to the RTSA board on Oct 11.

Director Field Operations' Report (FieldOperations@rtsa.org) – Mike Masar

Norway – fence will be worked on next week. Bleachers did not pass inspection from town insurance company – we need to put a fence around the entire perimeter. Mike will be putting out an email about the lights on Norway. A lock box will be placed on the fuse box. Last week Mike had to turn on the lights 3 times. Phone is now available inside the shed. You must dial 911 to get the police. Heads up for bears at Norway. One was spotted last week. Camp Hudsonia (National Girls) is in poor condition. Picatinny is working well. We can not take any more children in National Boys because Picatinny needs rosters to be locked in. Dwyer is OK. Mall field is working OK and improving.

Peterson field – Rockaway Valley teams are scheduled to practice there. There was a complaint about high school teams on the field. High school teams have priority over RTSA teams. The town is putting pressure on RTSA asking us why we are using Peterson which should be a game field only.

At Norway – please tell parents to meet children AT THE FENCE. We almost had two children hit by cars in the Norway parking lot..

Head Referee's Report (HeadReferee@rtsa.org) – Peter Fischer – given by Mike Lynch

Mr. Fischer has decided not to cover games with referees. Mike has asked him since June to email him a list of referees and phone numbers so they can be assigned. We will do our best to have games covered. If a division director does not have coverage, please let Mike know.

Travel Director's Report (TravelDirector@rtsa.org) – Scott Schrack

Season is up and running. Had a few calls from the game's chair about running up scores. Goal differential must be 6 or less at ALL travel games. For teams adding players - Mon or Tue is drop off. Thu or Fri is pickup. Get any paperwork to Scott by Monday.

Director of Soccer Operations' Report (SoccerOperations@rtsa.org) - Danielle Sadighi – Given by Betty Ingling

Travel equipment ordered and delivered. More in stock.

Head Coach's Report (HeadCoach@rtsa.org) – Jordy George

No report.

In Town Directors' Reports

Soccer Pals (SoccerPals@rtsa.org) – John Mongrella

Registration is closed. 8 teams. Lots of new coaches – used trainers for 1st 2 practices. Recruiting for HowlOWeen tournament.

American A (AmericanA@rtsa.org) – John Olsen.

Will accept more children. 10 teams with 9/10 players. Some players have dropped out. Question about format – going sideways on the field (Dwyer) with 2 games. There are no small nets at Dwyer.

American B (AmericanB@rtsa.org) – Orest Pencak

We started a little slow. Over 90 kids were registered and we were short coaches. We started last week and have 9 teams. Playing until the week before Thanksgiving. We had a 4th grader and a 4 year old registered by mistake. They've been moved to the correct divisions. Teams are playing full field with cones for goals.

National Boys (NationalBoys@rtsa.org) – Lisa Cangelosi

8 teams of 10 people. No refs for week 1. There were refs for week 2.

National Girls (NationalGirls@rtsa.org) – Sue Lundblad

No report

International Boys (InternationalBoys@rtsa.org) – Tony Braddock

No report.

International Girls (InternationalGirls@rtsa.org) – José Santiago.

Two games into the season. 4 teams from 12-14 players. Playing 9 per side. No refs for 1st week. Refs showed up for 2nd week. Games at Germania.

Rockaway Valley (RockawayValley@rtsa.org) – Lisa Cangelosi

Had a meeting last night. Having a problem with teams running up scores. Had a 16-0 game with kids sitting down on defense. Have had kids from other teams cursing in Spanish at kids.

Committee Reports

Field Development (FieldOperations@rtsa.org) – Mike Masar

We will have a price by next month for turfing Norway and Hudsonia fields. The town might take out a bond and we would pay the debt service. We do not have the figures. The township will back us on this. We need to call an executive board meeting to discuss this. Possibly \$12k to \$14k per year.

Communications / website (webmaster@rtsa.org) – Rick Suntag

Tournament registration deadline for t-shirts is 10/15.

Massie Mondri Memorial Scholarship (MassieMondiScholarship@rtsa.org) – Steve Murphy

One photo in the Citizen. Other papers have not published yet. Will start working on next year in January. Applications are end of April, early May.

Howl-O-Ween Tournament (HowlOWeen@rtsa.org) – Mike Masar & Laura Kaufman

We will have meetings every week from now on. Patches are ordered and shipped. Picked t-shirt vendor. Have 2 sponsors for the back of the t-shirt. Hoping that ads come in for ad book. Action photos are planned. Working on food – two different vendors. Asking for volunteers to work 2 hours on tournament day. Booster table and two other tables will be there. We will ask teams to make a

donation of \$2 per player and we will purchase drinks / etc to serve. Photo contest prizes set at \$200, \$100, \$50 for best dressed teams.

Training – (mmugavero@hotmail.com) Mike Mugavero – given by Steve Murphy
9/30 Friday at Morris Knolls – fan appreciation night. Youth teams show up in uniform. The team with the most spirit will win a soccer ball for each team member. Coach must be present and sign in before the game. Travel and rec teams are invited. Judges are looking for the loudest and most spirited team. Questions – email Mike Mugavero. November 10 / 11 – There is an autumn coaches' camp for \$50 at Gardner field. 4 coaches from 2 high schools will be there.

Old Business

None

New Business

John Mongrella – who can we contact about rule interpretation for travel – Steve Murphy. US Soccer and asktheref.com can also help.

Rockaway Power team banner was presented and produced by a company called Zaavy. Banner and stand were free through eteamz 15ml vinyl 3'x5'. Zaavyteambanner.com

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:22PM

Everyone is reminded that the next meeting will be held on

Wednesday, October 26, 2005 8:00PM
Howl-O-Ween tournament meeting at 7:00PM

Respectfully submitted,



RTSA Secretary
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