

Rockaway Township Soccer Association

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Minutes of the Meeting 26 July 2006

ATTENDANCE

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| Lisa Cangelosi | Jodi Dormier | Allison Friedel | Robert Grubel |
| Ray Hogrelius | Sharon Hogrelius | Betty Ingling | Laura Kaufman |
| Kelly Kjekstad | Sue Lundblad | Maria Lynch | Mike Lynch |
| Mike Masar | Matt McConnell | Bridget Mitarotonda | Frank Morales |
| John Olsen | Angie Prasad | Shail Prasad | Danielle Sadighi |
| Jason Sainz | Vera Sainz | José Santiago | James Steiger |
| Rob Thompson | | | |

Meeting brought to order at the municipal building at 8:04 PM by President, Mike Masar.

Secretary's Report (secretary@rtsa.org) – Rick Suntag– given by Betty Ingling

The minutes of June 28, 2006 were approved.

Motion to amend May 31 minutes to show Mark Bertoli in attendance was approved.

Reminder – Please sign in at all meetings you attend. You must attend 6 meetings during the previous year to have voting rights. Annual elections of the RTSA Executive Board will take place at the November meeting. Nominations will take place in October.

Treasurer's Report (Treasurer@rtsa.org) –Steve Murphy – given by Betty Ingling

We had a beginning balance of \$16,970.36

We wrote checks and incurred fees in the amount of \$16,802.98 for league fees and penalties, training, equipment, the Association contribution to the Massie Mondri Memorial Scholarship and banking fees.

We had deposits in the amount of \$7,900.00.

Checks and fees in the amount of \$6,467.00 were cashed against our account.

We have accounts payable (outstanding checks) in the amount of \$12,051.98

We have a current checking account balance of \$18,403.35.

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

Awards for travel teams are in. Maria was not at the June Election booster's meeting because she was attending the booster's meeting for Morris Hills. Maria is stepping down as booster president. She recommends Sharon Hogrelius as President, Jill Wilson as Treasurer.

Vice President's Report (VicePresident@rtsa.org) – Laura Kaufman

Rec. registration will be closed 08/04. Anyone registering after this date will be wait listed.
We are looking for new Division Directors.

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

The rec. department will be going through all sports organizations in town to ensure smooth running of all departments.

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

Still waiting to meet with Norbu people to get okay for turf fields at Norway.

The town will now require fields to be assigned for summer practices. Coaches must email a request for practice time.

Head Referee's Report (HeadReferee@rtsa.org) –Mike Lynch

The checks are in for rec. refs. There were 60 games with 19 youth refs. There will be a travel ref. Clinic in Westfield on 9/9 and 9/11. Mike has a wishlist that consists of line flags, shirts, referee hand books. List will be given to Danielle Sadighi.

Travel Director's Report (TravelDirector@rtsa.org) – Mike Masar/laura kaufman

There are not many classes to get your :F: licenses and anyone that will be coaching in the fall must get Them ASAP. John has the carding package in his mail box and is hoping to have a carding party to ensure all packets are correct. The league will refuse an entire packet if there is one mistake.

Director of Soccer Operations' Report (SoccerOperations@rtsa.org) - Danielle Sadighi

In-House equipment bags are needed back. Travel teams should email Danielle for replenishments.

The travel team jersey order will go in this Friday. She has ordered each travel team 2-3 extra jerseys so there will not be a problem if a team would like to add a player. Please use Danielle's work email, DO NOT send emails to home email, use DS@NHANOW.COM. She needs the rough counts for rec. by 8/10.

Head Coach's Report (HeadCoach@rtsa.org) – Mark Berkowitz

In Town Directors' Reports

Soccer Pals – Pre-K (SoccerPals@rtsa.org) – Orest Pencak

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

National Boys – 1st & 2nd grade (NationalBoys@rtsa.org) – Lisa Cangelosi

National Girls – 1st & 2nd grade (NationalGirls@rtsa.org) – Sue Lundblad

International Boys – 3rd & 4th grade (InternationalBoys@rtsa.org) – Bill D'Addato

International Girls – 3rd & 4th grade (InternationalGirls@rtsa.org) – José Santiago

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

Spring fees were not paid. Spoke to President of soccer in Denville regarding playing Denville in the fall as an option of pulling out of the Valley league. Unfortunately, the Denville program is a co-ed program, so this may be a problem.

Committee Reports

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

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

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

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

Artwork for T-shirts have been decided. We have selected a mummy artwork. We are waiting for the state license confirmation. We are looking for someone to step-up and assist Rick Suntag in the registration and scheduling of the teams. Rick would like to turn this over.

Training – (Training@rtsa.org) Mike Mugavero

Finance – (Finance@rtsa.org) John Mongrella

Old Business

Travel coaches getting red cards. Motion was approved to let the disciplinary committee decide on who will pay the penalty fee, the coach or the association.

New Business

Rob Thompson – The league has assigned automatic rain dates this season which fall on Saturdays. It may be better to opt for requesting early play instead.

Sue Lundblad – Read an article regarding young kids playing multiple sports. Statistics show that young kids playing single sports are more prone to getting hurt than kids who play multiple sports. She is requesting that her U8G team be allowed to only play the fall season. She has the support of her entire team in this request.

Kelly Kjekstad – Her son's U14 team, in the last 4 yrs have lost many kids due to the full year commitment. The team was a flight 2 team but now have dropped to a flight 5 team because of the fall/spring conflict.

Allison Friedel – She has known kids who are penalized by lack of playing time when they play softball and soccer in the spring.

Mike Lynch – There is no right/wrong answer in this situation. This issue has been brought up many times in the past without resolution.

Mike Masar – It's a general rule that soccer comes first in the fall and come spring, soccer is second. Many kids play multiple sports in the spring without conflict.

Danielle Sadighi – Everyone knows that travel soccer is a full year commitment when they try out. If we have a single soccer season, that would mean, a 2nd tryout, a 2nd uniform order, it gets very complicated. There should be no decision tonight but should be discussed by the exec. Committee.

Mike Masar – a decision will be made over the next couple of months.

Meeting end at 9:02 PM

Everyone is reminded that the next meeting will be held on

Wednesday, August 30, 2006 8:00PM

Respectfully submitted,



RTSA Secretary
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