

**Brewster United Soccer Club
Minutes of Board Meeting
January 25, 2010**

BUSC's Monthly Open Board Meeting for January 2010 was held on January 25, 2010, at 7:00pm in Brewster High School Room 106.

Attendees: John Ligos, Sue Ligos, Chris Kelly, John Chalmers, Warren Whitney, Jim McKee, Lorraine Lennon, Eileen DePaoli, Pete Morfea, Donna Ohberg, Rachel McLaughlin, Mike Panagrossi

Matters Discussed:

Minutes of November 2009 Meeting

The Minutes from the November 2009 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Field Issues

BUSC has received its permit for use of the fields in Spring 2010. However, it is expected that construction of the turf field will begin in May 2010. Construction will take place on the Upper Varsity field, and it is unclear how that construction will affect all other fields, and whether we will have access to those fields at all. We discussed two contingencies in case we lose access to all of our regular fields: (1) playing the rest of the season on other fields in town if we can get access to them (however, even if we can play at other fields, we may not have goals at the fields), or (2) doubling up on games early in the season in case we must end the season early.

CSA

CSA is advertising a youth soccer program at Brewster Sports Center, through Southeast Recreation. Price and details to be looked into, to determine conflict/competition with BUSC.

High School Teams

The BUSC U18 Girls Travel Team has registered and is ready to play in Spring 2010. As for the Boys U18 Travel Team, we did not get enough players or enough coaches to field a team.

Start of Spring 2010 Season

The Spring 2010 In-house season will begin the weekend of April 10-11. Coaches will be asked to contact their players to make sure the players are returning for the Spring season, and Chris Kelly will contact players on the waiting list to see if they are interested in playing in the Spring.

We will have to move games on April 25 because of the Heartwalk and during the weekend of May 1-2 because of the Lacrosse Jamboree.

Coaches Convention

The East Hudson coaches convention will be March 27.

Code of Conduct

We further discussed the incident at the Clinic game last Fall in which one player slide tackled, and a parent went onto the field to confront the player, the player's parent, and the player's coaches. We will hand out the Code of Conduct to each parent at the first game this Spring. In addition, we will personally discuss the Code with the parent who went onto the field, and inform him of the consequences of failing to follow the Code. At least two Board members will also attend the first Clinic games. Those Board members will also address the slide tackling with the player and the player's parent, and inform them that if the player slide tackles in the future, he will be removed from the game.

Risk Management Issues

East Hudson has again reminded us to inform everyone that only official coaches may be on the field during practices and games, and only players rostered on the particular team may participate in the team's practices and games. This is an important risk management issue.

U11 Team

The U11 team will be losing two players in Fall 2010 as it moves to U12, and we have two other players who are interested in joining the U11 Team for the Spring 2010 as long as they meet the necessary requirements.

Sign Permits

We have received the forms to request permits to put up signs announcing registration for the Fall 2010-Spring 2011 Season.

Scholarship Program

We are looking for someone to head up the scholarship program and work with our sponsors.

Field Coordinators

Steve Delanoy and Danny Rossi have agreed to be Field Coordinators for the upcoming Season.

The Meeting ended at 8:50p.m.

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