



Lehigh Valley Youth Soccer League  
General League Meeting  
Northampton Community College  
June 12, 2018  
7:30pm

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Call to Order:  
Bill Ross called the meeting to order at 7:38 pm

Roll Call:  
A list of clubs attending the meeting is attached.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Forks motioned to accept the minutes and seconded by LMYA and were unanimously approved.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

##### TEAM ENTRANCE FEE INCREASE

Due to the increases in player fees from EPYS the LVYSL is announcing an increase in entrance fees for the 2018 – 2019 seasonal year.

##### LVYSL Primary Team Fees

7 v 7 = \$350

9 v 9 = \$400

11 v 11 = \$500

##### Other Fees

Second season for LVYSL Primary teams = \$125

Secondary League\* = \$150

*\*(teams playing in LVYSL but primary registered to another league)*

#### LEAGUE SCHEDULING CHANGES

Clubs will self-schedule games, however the league is asking that they be block scheduled by small-sided and large-sided games at league specified times of day. More information about this will follow shortly; please check your e-mail and LVYSL website postings regularly.

There is discussion regarding scheduling by geographic location to enable playoffs. If anyone has concerns regarding divisions please contact Gary to discuss their placement prior to the scheduling.

Rescheduled games (by mutual agreement) may be scheduled before noon on Sunday, however games must conclude by approximately 11:30 am to allow travel time for referees assigned to league scheduled games.

**Clubs are now required to provide field coordinator contact information for scheduling / rescheduling.**

Teams **must** begin to arrange a new date, time and location for a rescheduled games within 24 hours of the original game.

Teams should then send an e-mail to the games commissioner for approval.  
If within 72 hours there is no mutual agreement on the new date, time or location, contact the executive director.

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Gary Blockus

39<sup>th</sup> Annual Lehigh Valley Youth Soccer tournament was held this weekend at the Lehigh County Sports Field complex. Weather was perfect on Saturday and rained on Sunday however all games were played. The fields were separated and made for poor vendor sales.

League Fall entrance dates and deadlines are:

- June 15<sup>th</sup> – Season Opens
- July 18<sup>th</sup> – Season Closes
- July 21<sup>st</sup> – July 25<sup>th</sup> Divisions released for review
- July 26<sup>th</sup> – July 30<sup>th</sup> Self-Scheduling Period
- July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 13 – Schedule released for review
- August 17<sup>th</sup> – Scheduled Posted
- Sept 9<sup>th</sup> – Season Opens
- Nov 18<sup>th</sup> – Season Ends (all games concluded)

August 18<sup>th</sup> there will be a Coaching seminar free of charge for all LVYSL coaches. Topics will include sideline behavior; head injuries; field condition; environmental issues; health / nutrition for players; and emergency action plans. St. Luke's will be represented to train coaches and answer questions. Please contact Gary Blockus to sign up and for more details.

Gary is also looking into offering CPR / AED training for interested clubs / coaches.

#### VP OF OPERATIONS

Shayne Stone reported that his term has ended and he will not be seeking re-election. The Spring 8U Play Day had twenty teams participate and everyone had a fun day of soccer. The next 8U Play Day will be held in the Fall.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Rich Mitsifer reporting.

Combined balance of checking and saving as of May 31, 2017 was \$112,689 vs May 31, 2018 of \$90,459. Rich explained the process for determining the new fees for 2018-19.

#### REGISTRAR REPORT

Kathy Garcia reported that Wednesday evening June 13<sup>th</sup> EPYS was holding a league registrar meeting to discuss the coming changes mandated by the new National Database. More info will follow as it becomes available.

#### EPYSA REPRESENTATIVE

NO Report

#### REFEREE ASSIGNORS REPORT

Hal Grahn thanked everyone for their cooperation during the season. Reminded everyone of sideline behavior to youth officials. And stressed the importance of reschedules requests being completed within the 72 hour maximum period to agree on a new date, time and location.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Reminder that LVYSL will be using a three man referee crew for 12U division I and older age group games. Tabled was the discussion about having three man crews for all 12U divisions. Clubs are asked to discuss this and bring their feedback to the LVYSL general meeting in November.

#### NEW BUSINESS

New club admittance. Two new clubs applied to the league for the 2018-19 seasonal year, Luzerne Fusion and Greater Pittston, both were voted in by the membership and will bring teams into the Fall season.

Luzerne Fusion motion by NE Attack seconded by Northwestern

Greater Pittston motion by NE Attack seconded by Tri-Boro

#### Election of Officers:

President – Bill Ross (this will be his last year)

VP of Operations - Open

Secretary – Open

Treasurer – Rich Mitstifer (this will be his last year)

Games Commissioner - Open

Registrar – Kathy Garcia

Asst Registrar – Manuela Tufano

Asst Registrar – Kris Campbell

#### Nominations

President - Bill Ross

VP of Operations – no nominations (pending)

Secretary – no nominations

Treasurer – Rich Mitstifer

Games Commissioner – no nominations

Registrar – Kathy Garcia

Asst Registrar – Manuela Tufano

Asst Registrar – Kris Campbell

Motion from the floor made by Saucon Valley and second by Lehigh Township, approved by all clubs in attendance.

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Next Meeting

NCACC Rm 169

August 14, 2018

7:30pm

Northampton Community College

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm

Kathy Garcia

Acting Secretary