

**SWANSBORO SOCCER ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
VIRTUAL/ REGULAR - MEETING
AUGUST 4, 2025**

**SSA Complex
1202 Hammocks Beach Road**

Present Amanda Gilmour, Stephanie Kutz, Ethan Johnson, Dusty Becker, Melanie McGuire
In Person:
Virtually Lauren Becker
Present:

I. Discussion Topics:

Recreation/Micro Registration:

Members present discussed opening recreation/micro registration up one last time and agreed to do so. Micros would be open from 8/5 to 8/8 and ECSA Rec would be open for one day, August 5th from 9am to 12am.

Recommended to do an email blast and post on social media.

Municipal Park Contract:

Members present discussed the contract for the Swansboro Municipal Park and decided to renew for three days (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday). It was noted that rec teams could split fields and that if need be we could consider Queens Creek ES and Sandridge ES as additional practice locations in order to keep costs down.

It was also noted here that the contract for the St. Mildred's had been sent over but still needed to be reviewed.

II. Updates:

Treasurer:

Ms. Amanda Gilmour noted that there are no major concerns for the treasury. Fundraiser brought in \$3K. There are a list of needs to include grass cutting, lining of fields and operation of concessions.

Academy:

Mr. Dusty Becker noted that practices began 8/4 and that things were going well so far.

Classic:

Ms. Lauren Becker stated that classic practices were starting that week. Schedules had been submitted as well. She also noted that some equipment was needed. Ms. Gilmour requested she build a cart on Soccer.com for purchase.

Micros:

Mr. Ethan Johnson noted that they were still in need of 6-7 coaches. He would be opening registration up in the morning (8/5) and would then send out teams on Friday when registration closed once again.

Recreation:

Ms. April Tanner was not present but provided comments prior to the meetings. She inquired about use of the printer for the meet and greet that was scheduled. She also had a concern regarding U13/U14 needing additional players.

Registrar:

Ms. Melanie McGuire noted that rosters are due by 8/29, red stamp rosters. Changes to rosters could be made until 9/19.

III. Questions/Comments:

October 11 – Mullet Festival

Fall Picture Options were also discussed.

Mr. Johnson shared questions provided by Coach Laura Anderson:

1. What is the reporting abuse procedure?
 - a. Contact Board Member to begin procedure.
2. What is SSAs Emergency Action Plan?
 - a. Should an emergency occur at SSA, 911 should be called immediately. Otherwise there is no written EAP.
3. Lightning/Severe Weather Policy?
 - a. If lightening is observed, you must wait 30 minutes without a second lightning strike. Families should wait in their vehicles during storm/weather delays.
4. Rec Teams being at the Complex
 - a. There was extensive discussion regarding the use of the complex for practices. It was agreed that recreation teams may practice at the facility; however, the intent remains to preserve the fields in the best condition possible, and therefore practices should be limited.

Mr. Becker noted that he would be willing to relocate Academy practices elsewhere if needed. He also explained that Academy/Classic teams have continued practicing at the complex primarily because most of the volunteers who help maintain and clean the facility are from those programs.

5. Can SSA host ECSA Tournament 10/25?
 - a. The original conflict with Academy was moved from this weekend; however it is ECSA's decision on where tournaments are held. We may request, but there is no guarantee.