

RAYSA board meeting agenda January 14, 2024 and Notes

→ Call to order

- ◆ Winter Parent Meeting board elections
 - Positions open for nomination
 - President, parent elected
 - ◆ *Stephanie Casteel has been nominated. No other nominations have been submitted at this time. If Stephanie is voted in, will have opening for VP.*
 - Treasurer, parent elected
 - ◆ *Sarah Fortuna has been nominated. No other nominations have been submitted at this time.*
 - Referee Coordinator*, board approved
 - ◆ *No nominations have been submitted at this time. This is a paid position. Current Ref Coord will assist with helping the new Ref Coordinator obtain certifications*
 - New Eagle MAL, parent elected
 - ◆ *No nominations have been submitted at this time.*
 - Tuesday 1/23/24 high school auditorium 6:30 pm

→ General

- ◆ Player development
 - Winter training to be announced soon
 - Saturdays at RESS gym
 - ◆ *Was voted by board with no objections.*
 - ◆ *Tentative plan: Player can pay per session \$15, 6 sessions, \$90 total. Cash only for payment was discussed.*
 - ◆ *Tentative plan: 6 week program. Every Saturday in Feb and first two Saturdays in March. 9am to 10:30am.*
 - Participant in tournaments, encourage cup soccer
 - Mt Pleasant in March
 - Others TBA
- ◆ Registration status Spring 2024
 - ◆ *Coaches needed*
- ◆ Union Township Park and coordinating use of the building
 - Weeknight bathroom access?

- Concession stand access when games at Finleyville
 - ◆ *Jen is investigating to determine if we can obtain a copy of the key from the borough.*
 - ◆ Two Porta-Potties at New Eagle for March, new vendor needed
 - ◆ *Jeff Lytle will be obtaining 2 to 3 bids to submit to Sarah Fortuna/provide during Feb Board Meeting*
 - ◆ New coach practice equipment available
 - Rebounder, agility poles, ground hurdles, ladders
 - ◆ *Soccer.com advised Jim Horning a credit was available to RAYSA but needed used prior to end of year before expiration.*
- League Development plans
- ◆ Special events this Spring?
 - Spring 2023 was a Riverhounds game, and swimming day at Pine Cove
 - ◆ *Pine Cove and Riverhounds were enjoyed by all, discussed potentially doing just one Spring Season event because of parent burn out.*
 - ◆ *Potential sponsors: Eat N Park and AHN*
 - ◆ *TOURNAMENT MOVED TO MAY 11, 2024 PALMER*
 - ◆ *Main Street Barber has reached out to inquire sponsorship for Tournament and discussed their donation last year had good reviews by parents.*
 - ◆ *Event Committee to assist for Tournament planning per Constitution: President, VP, League Developmental Director, Travel Director odd years, In House Director even years, Facilities Director, Tech Director, Treasurer and 3 MALs (one from each community)*
 - ◆ *Mothers Day Weekend, Travel Games. Flowers/Carnations for players to hand out in honor of Mothers Day.*

- ◆ *Historically - Mothers Day Weekend - U12 Travel Players Age Up Ceremony. Pending final PA West schedule*

→ League finances and budget planning

- ◆ Financial Report - Sarah
- ◆ Soccer goals for Union Township park - Spring 24
 - 4 U6 goals and 4 U8 goals for 2 U6 fields and 2 U8 fields
 - Total cost for 8 goals = \$12,473.00
 - Same PEVO brand and style as Palmer Park and New Eagle
 - Wheel kits and shipping included
- ◆ Line paint for 3 field locations = \$60/case x 72 = \$4,320
 - 12 cans in 1 case
 - Avg 2 cases white per week for 12 weeks x 3 field locations
- ◆ Additional game balls
 - \$26 per ball x 8 (4 each size 3,4) = \$208

→ Upcoming calendar

- ◆ Board meetings
 - ◆ *Sundays 6:30 pm*
 - ◆ *Feb 18, March 10, April 21, May 19, June 9*
(secretary will be out of town and someone will need to take notes)
- ◆ WCYSA meeting - Thursday, January 18, 2024 at the Charleroi Italian Club
 - ◆ *Stephanie will attend*
- ◆ PA West South District meeting - Wednesday, January 31st @ 7:00 p.m. at The Presidents Pub in Washington (2nd floor, up stairs at back of building)
 - ◆ *Randy and Jen will attend and confirmed after board meeting; Bri volunteered if they were unable to as back up.*
- ◆ 1/31 - regular registration ends except Lil Rams and TOPSoccer. Travel registration also ends 1/31
- ◆ 2/1 to 2/14 - late registration (In-House U6 to U10 only) period
- ◆ 2/14 Lil Rams, TOPSoccer, and late registration IH ends
- ◆ End of February - rostering committee will confirm Spring rosters
- ◆ March - coaches meeting and practices begin
- ◆ Regular season dates RAYSA In-House U6 and U8
 - 8 games - 4/6 to 6/2, skipping Memorial Day weekend

- ◆ *June 2 is last game day for Travel Games*
 - First 5 weeks 4/6 - 5/4 at Finleyville/New Eagle
 - Final 3 weeks 5/11 - 6/2 at Palmer Park
 - ◆ *Changed: **April 6 - April 20 Finleyville**
April 27 - May 11 Palmer Park
May 18 and June 1 - New Eagle (Memorial Day no games)
Washington County Tournament June 1, Palmer Park*
 - End-of-season tournament
 - ◆ *Changed: May 11*
 - Lil Rams games
 - Main Street Barber to sponsor again
 - ◆ *Discussed earlier in meeting - please see above*
- Anything else? Suggestions for improvement?

Additional Notes that were sidebar conversations:

Carl confirmed that Graham and him should be able to have the Finleyville fields ready to go for games; Jeff Lyle would help as well if needed.

Parent Volunteers for Lining Fields - discussed for all MALs to have their available days/dates provided and submitted for parent volunteers to sign up to assist with lining fields. Suggestion was to have parents assist every other week instead of every week. MALs would need to physically be at the field with the parent volunteers.

In attendance:

President - James Horning

Vice President - Stephanie Casteel

Secretary - Lauren Horning

Treasurer - Sarah Fortuna

League Development Director - Leah Galiffa

Facilities Director - Jeff Lytle

MAL New Eagle - Brad Nelson

MAL Travel - Bri Kenavey

MAL Finleyville - Carl Snodgrass

Registrar - Jamie DeAngelis

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TOPSOCCER Director - Sami Berman