



# Meeting Minutes

## Piscataway Soccer Club Board of Directors Meeting

February 16, 2023  
Kerwins, 7:30pm

### I. Attendance – Roll Call

Quorum Achieved at 7:39pm with 12 votes (Seven votes required for Quorum of 14 current voting members)

**Members of the Piscataway Soccer Club Board of Directors** (14 Voting members, with full board)

	Title	Name	Present	# of Votes	Delegated to	Late Arrival	Early Departure
Elected Officers (voting)	President	Mike Majorczak	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	Tom		
	Exec Vice President	Tom Roberts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 + Tie Breaker			
	Travel Vice President	Jeff Sundelof	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2			
	Travel Vice President	Chuck Myers	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	Jeff		
	Recreational Vice Pres.	Mark Batulis	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	Tad		
	Recreational Vice Pres.	Tad Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2			
	Registrar	Yasmeen Ash	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1			
	Treasurer	Brian Hinds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1			
	Secretary	Mark Caputo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1			
	Public Info Officer	George Roussey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1			
	Director of Coaching	Mark Lowdon, USA Soccer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1			8:12pm
Appointed Positions (Voting)	Club Web Master	Jim Opitz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1			
	Travel Head Coach	Dennis Espinosa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1			
	Recreational Head Coach	<i>Vacant</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0			
	Recreational Travel VP	Keith Koenig	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1			
	Club Historian/Statistician	Zarah Opitz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1			
	Parliamentarian	Rey Villanueva		N/A			
Appointed Positions (Non-Voting)	Nominating Chair	Jeffrey Salles		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
	Uniforms	Keith Koenig		N/A			
	Asst. Director of Coaching	Chuck Myers		N/A			
	Grievance Chair	Mark Caputo		N/A			
	BOE Liaison – Bldg. Usage	Mike Majorczak		N/A			
	By-Laws Chair	Mike Majorczak		N/A			
	PEC Chairs	Jeff Sundelof		N/A			
	Tournament Director	Mike Majorczak		N/A			
	Winter League Director	Chuck Myers		N/A			
	Picnic Coordinator	Yasmeen Ash		N/A			

From the PSC By-Laws 3.3 VACANCIES IN OFFICE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY, paragraph H.

*"In the event any officer is unavailable for a meeting said Officer may delegate a temporary replacement or may have any other member of the Board of Directors give their respective report and/or perform the duties of said Office."*

(Please note at BOD meetings, only voting board of directors are allowed to vote, though membership may partake in discussion prior to voting on a motion. A motion must be put forth by a Voting Board Member, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by a voting Board Member in order for a vote to take place. The President only casts tie-breaking votes. See above for listing of voting Board Members. All Board Meetings are open to the Membership

## II. Review of Meeting Minutes of last meeting – January 2023

The January 2023 meeting minutes were sent out via eVote on 2/14/2023 and were approved with **5 yes – 0 No - 9 abstains. PASSED**

## III. Unfinished Business from Last Meeting:

### 1. Board Members, who are not coaches or refs, need to be (1) background checked, (2) SafeSport Certified for 2022-2023 (this is an annual requirement.)

**January:** If a player turns 18 during the season, they too must take the SafeSport training.

**February:** Tabled

**March:** Volunteers for instructional also must take the course

**April:** Volunteer for any teams need to take it. Tabled.

**May / June / July / August / September / October / November:** Tabled

**January:** Everyone will need the 2023 refresher by April 2023.

**February:** This is still being worked on with various board members at different stages: Mike, Zarah, George and Mark C need to complete. Tabled

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### 2. Need to check on the quote for mice maintenance for the sheds at Green Acres.

**July:** Tabled

**August:** Mike to call Viking. Witherspoon shed has been completed and Tom the handyman has been paid in full.

**September:** Dennis Espinosa to investigate. Tabled

**October:** Dennis to send quote to Mike

**November:** Mike to follow-up.

**January:** Tabled

**February:** Mike has reached out to the Viking contact. Tabled

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### 3. Yasmeen's report on outstanding payments:

**August:** Yasmeen not in attendance

**September:** All need to be paid in full by 10/1/22

**October:** Yasmeen reported 14 unpaid. Board to contact.

**November:** Yasmeen to send out list

**January:** Yasmeen is going to separate fall (players that played) and for spring and will follow up with Mike and Jeff.

**February:** The list is down to 10 people and Yasmeen will send the report to Jeff, Chuck, and Mike.

**OPEN**

**4. Webmaster to do list:**

**October:** Tabled

**November:** Tabled

**January:** Amazon Smile will be stopping in February 2023. Fanwear payment next month and Jim to follow up.

**February:** Donation's link has been added to the website. Jim, Mike, and Chuck are investigating a new fan wear website called soccer.com. The current fan wear payment should be received by the end of February 2023. Suggestion by Tom to have Rey Villanueva to send a letter as the company keeps extending the payment date and Tom will follow up.

Chuck provided Jim with information to post on our website:

<https://www.soccerparenting.com/Gratitude> Chuck to propose soon that our club spend \$100 (the annual discounted registration fee for NJYS clubs) and join soccer parenting.

**OPEN**

**5. Follow-up to see if PSC needs to sign an agreement with Piscataway Township for use of Green Acres.**

**January:** \$275 per travel team for the calendar year and that is cheaper than the seed. No turf at Green Acres in 2023.

**February:** No response from John Tierney on the Green Acres usage fee of \$250 per team. No bill still from DPW for tournament dumping fees. PSC needs to know when the bill is due, and will they seed enough? Dennis to inquire.

**OPEN**

**6. Follow-up to see if we should set a due date for the budget for travel, recreational and TOPSoccer for fall 2023 and spring 2024.**

**January:** Budgets due by the February meeting.

**February:** The Top Soccer budget needed a few corrections and per Tom Roberts, let's have travel send the budget to the Secretary (He already has the recreational budget). Secretary can either call for an eVote on the three budgets or send for review and vote on the budget at the March meeting.

**OPEN**

**7. PSC May 2023 spring picnic.**

**January:** Saturday, 5/20/23 with a rain date of Sunday, 5/21/23 at Riverside Park from 1pm – 3pm. Saturday 5/6/23 is tryouts.

**February:** Mike following up on dates request.

**OPEN**

**8. PSC girls' soccer event?**

**January:** No PHS girls coach yet. Friday, 4/28/23 at PHS from 6pm – 9pm. Chuck – shin guards. We are doing Fratelli's.

**February:** Mark Lowden will be sending trainers to the event. We should put a QR code on the flyers to see how many from this event attend try-outs. Yasmeen to ask the PHS girls' soccer to assist and we need to check with Mike if we can use the snack shack for the event.

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**9. Parent Zoom meeting presented by Mark Lowden:** Previously we discussed having this meeting in early February 2023.

**January:** Sunday, 2/26/23 at 7pm. Just travel and Mark Lowden will go over the curriculum and expectations of parents.

**February:** Yasmeen asked that girl's night out be mentioned at the end of the zoom meeting. Schedule and invite will be sent to all travel parents via Team Snap. We will follow-up at the March meeting to see how it went.

**OPEN**

**10. Techne Software:** Presented by the travel VPs

**January:** Tabled

**February:** We asked our coaches to look at this, but there was not enough interest. Chuck received 1 positive and 1 neutral/negative response. PSC will not pursue.

**CLOSED**

**11. Ted DeWys Referee Scholarship:** Names / Applications by 4/15/23.

**February:** Website has been updated and currently waiting on applications. Tabled.

**OPEN**

**IV. New Business:**

**1. Are there spring 2023 coaches that need to be approved by the board?**

**February:**

- Leslie Powis – PSC 09 Dortmund, Assistant coach
- Dane Reves – PSC 05 Barcelona, Assistant coach
- Dennis Espinosa – PSC 07 Man City, Head coach
- Fathi Ghoul – PSC 13 Chelsea, Assistant coach

Motion to approve the 4 coaches, Leslie, Dane, Dennis and Fathi by GR, 2<sup>nd</sup> by JS. 12 yes, 0 no, 2 abstains. **PASSED**

- Alioune Kebe, Assistant coach status, for possible training purposes. Tabled.

Motion to approve Kebe Academy to provide additional individual group training sessions by TR, 2<sup>nd</sup> by JO. 0 yes, 12 no, 2 abstains. **DID NOT PASS.**

**OPEN**

**2. CPR class for spring 2023?**

**February:** Jeff will obtain a list of new coaches and at the March meeting we will determine if there is a need for a Spring class. Mark C. has the lists of the coaches that have previously attended and will send to Jeff / Chuck / Mike.

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**3. PWay street fair is Saturday, 6/10/23 from 10am – 4pm.** Tad has agreed to man the table for PSC.

**February:** If a PSC player comes in uniform to the table, we should give them a gift.

**OPEN**

**4. The General Membership Meeting will be Thursday, 6/15/23 at the Y meeting room from 6pm – 7pm**

**February:** Elections are in June at this meeting. The following current board members have presented their intentions on running again:

- Travel Vice President – Jeff Sundelof
- Recreational Vice President – Tad Powell
- Registrar - Yasmee Ash
- Public Information Officer - George Roussey

Three elected board members did not attend the February meeting, intentions unknown:

- President - Mike Majorczak
- Travel Vice President - Chuck Myers
- Recreational Vice President - Mark Batulis

Three elected board members are undecided at this time if they will run for re-election:

- Executive Vice President - Tom Roberts
- Treasurer - Brian Hinds
- Secretary - Mark Caputo

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5. **PSC has received \$2,084.61 from donors to benefit Piscataway Soccer Club.** Brian received the donation check. Mike restarted the PayPal account and Jim will place a donation link/button on the website.

**February:** Check deposited.

**CLOSED**

6. **Knollwood Tricky Tray: 3/17/23, 6pm.**

**February: Motion for PSC to supply (1) recreational registration / little kickers registration, a ball and a shirt by YA, 2<sup>nd</sup> by TR. 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstains. PASSED**

**CLOSED**

7. **Discussion on the Piscataway Dash:** Current coach Mark Caputo must step down as coach / team manager due to recent unemployment and Mark / Jeff were looking for help from the board for either coaching suggestions or volunteers.

**February:** Keith Koenig has expressed interest in returning to coaching and has agreed to become the Piscataway Dash head coach. Dennis Espinosa has agreed to become assistant coach and Yasmee Ash will assist with team manager working with current team manager, Evelyn.

**CLOSED**

## V. Reports of Officers:

1. President – Mike Majorczak – Jeff to give Spoon Shack key to Mark C and I will make a replacement. Mark C to give the key to Bob / Alex M. There will be a coach class on 6/2/23 – 6/3/23. NJYS has requested use of our turf and a classroom, and I am awaiting approval from BOE (State Certificate).
2. Tournament Director – Mike Majorczak – No follow up on logo as we are using the same going forward and only changing the date. Preorder sales will be accepted by credit card payments when ordered. Debbie will start looking for a bread vendor before next board meeting. Returning team registration opens 6/23/23. New teams open 6/30/23. Save the date e-mail to go out on 3/1/23.

3. Executive VP – Tom Roberts – Port-a-johns to Green Acres, PHS turf and Witherspoon on 3/6/23. To New Market on 4/22/23. Pick up date on all will be 6/23/23.
4. Treasurer – Brian Hinds – Reviewed budget.
5. Registrar – Yasmeen Ash – Will be sending the budget list and girls night to do list. Is interested in switching girls' soccer night from 4/28 to Wed. 4/26 (see Chuck's comments)
6. TOPSoccer Coordinator: Yasmeen Ash – Wants to establish a recognition program.
7. Webmaster – Jim Opitz – Needs to correct some end dates on docs within the website.
8. Travel VPs – Jeff Sundelof and Chuck Myers –
  - The USA training contract ends this June. We should send a request for proposal (RFP) to other training companies to determine what is best for Travel and Rec training in the fall. Working on this are: Jeff, Dennis, Mark B, Tad, Tom, Mike, and Chuck. The plan is to send out in March, receive by 4/15, interviews, then invite top 2 to the board meeting on 5/18/23 and announce decision by 5/31/23.
  - Winter training is going well.
  - Spring training starts the week of 3/6/23
  - The MJNYSA spring season starts on 3/19/23. There are over 534 teams playing this spring, 50 more than last spring and the league is growing.
  - Chuck attended the Edison USA coaches dinner, NJYS awards night, NJYS annual general meeting.
  - Gotham FC offered to run a clinic in Piscataway on Wednesday, 4/26/23.
  - Chuck was elected to the NJYS Board of Directors.
  - Registration for tryouts will open 4/1/23.
9. Travel Head Coach – Dennis Espinosa – Creating a work shop where older coaches' mentor younger coaches. Determining when and where.
10. Recreational VPs – Mark Batulis and Tad Powell – First day of recreational is Saturday, 3/25/23 and are looking for volunteers to work the registration tables from 8am – noon.
11. Recreational Travel VP and Uniform Coordinator – Keith Koenig – Uniform orders have been placed.
12. Public Information Officer – George Roussey – Needs information for the newsletter by the end of February.
13. Director of Coaching – Mark Lowdon of USA Soccer – No report given.
14. By-Laws Committee – Mike Majorczak – Reported by GR: any by law changes are needed by 4/15/23.
15. Parliamentarian – Rey Villanueva – Not present.
16. Club Historian – Zarah Opitz: No report given
17. Secretary – Mark Caputo – No report given.
18. Recreational Head Coach – Vacant

## **VI. Concerns of Teams: None**

## **VII. Concerns of Members: None**

## **VIII. Adjournment – November**

Motion to Adjourn by JS, 2nd by JO, at 10:09pm. Vote 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain  
Meeting Adjourned.