**Meeting Minutes** 



# Piscataway Soccer Club Board of Directors Meeting

November 16, 2023 Kerwins, 8pm

# I. Attendance – Roll Call

Quorum Achieved at <u>2pm</u> pm with <u>8</u> votes (8 votes required for Quorum of 15 current voting members) **Members of the Piscataway Soccer Club Board of Directors** (16 Voting members, with full board)

	Title	Name	Present	# of Votes	Delegated to	Late Arrival	Early Departure
Elected Officers (Voting)	President	Mike Majorczak	$\boxtimes$	+ Tie Breaker			
	Exec Vice President	Tom Roberts		0	Jim Opitz		
	Travel Vice President	Jeff Sundelof	$\boxtimes$	2			
	Travel Vice President	Jeffrey Salles		0	Jeff Sundelof		
	Recreational Vice President	Yasmeen Ash	$\boxtimes$	1			
	Recreational Vice President	Tad Powell	$\boxtimes$	1			
	Registrar	Ilia Myers	$\boxtimes$	1			
	Treasurer	Brian Hinds	$\boxtimes$	1			
	Secretary	Kathleen Martineau	$\boxtimes$	1			
	Public Info Officer	George Roussey	$\boxtimes$	1			
Appointed Positions (Voting)	Director of Coaching	Chuck Myers	$\boxtimes$	1			
	Club Web Master	Jim Opitz		2	8:05pm	$\boxtimes$	
	Member At Large – Travel	Louis Raymondi		1	8:51pm	$\boxtimes$	
	Member At Large – Travel Head Coach	Dennis Espinosa		1			
	Member At Large – Equipment	Keith Koenig	$\boxtimes$	1			
	Club Historian/Statistician	Zarah Opitz	$\boxtimes$	1			
	Member At Large – SYSL Rec Travel	Vacant		0	8:51pm	$\boxtimes$	
Appointed Positions (Non- Voting)	Parliamentarian	Rey Villanueva		N/A			
	Nominating Chair	Jeffrey Salles		N/A			
	Uniforms	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			
	Tournament Director	Mike Majorczak		N/A			
	Winter Training Director	Chuck Myers		N/A			
	Picnic Coordinator	Yasmeen Ash		N/A			
	PEC Chair	Jeffrey Salles		N/A			
	Red Bull Liaison	Dan Vitu	$\boxtimes$	N/A			

#### From the PSC By-Laws3.3 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 – October 2023

The October 2023 meeting minutes were sent out via eVote on 10/23/2023. Yes: 11 No: 0 Abstain: 1

## III. Unfinished Business from Last Meeting:

#### 1. PSC teams' costs for Spring 2023 and current status.

**April:** Jeff and Chuck to collect team money statuses by 5/15/23. This will be Manchester City, Dortmund, Eintracht, Everton, and Santos.

May: Chuck to update. Tabled

**June:** Eintracht, Everton and Santos are good, but follow-up is needed for Manchester City and Dortmund. **August:** Manchester City is good leaving Dortmund. Jeff Sun. to check on the budget for Dortmund.

**September**: \$1,300 received from Dortmund. Balance undetermined. Mike to follow up with Chuck. A Zelle was done on 9/22 for \$841.50, but according to Jeff Sundelof's calculations, they had 21 sessions in the Spring. They owe for 10. That's  $(10x1.25) \times 95.00$  per hour =1187.50 owed vs 841.50 paid which is 346 outstanding.

**October**: Dortmund Is not playing this season – waiting on spring season. Jeff/Mike to follow up about players who have not paid. Sonay is not returning as coach of this team in the Spring. November: Dortmund not forming. Manchester United coming back. **CLOSE** 

2. Interleague Soccer Games: My name is Matthew Ware with the Highland Park Recreation Department, and I was reaching out to start communications with your programs, to play games together in the Fall (September - November). We have 2 age ranges that are Recreation skill level (2nd and 3rd grade) 4 teams and (4th and 5th grade) 2 teams. We would like to know if you would be interested in a few games for the upcoming fall season, we are unable to play on Fridays and Saturday.

May: Tad to contact Matthew Ware. Tabled

June: Tabled

August: Tad to get Matthew Ware's contact info and contact.

September: Tad to call Matthew Ware (732) 819-0052 x317.

**October:** Tad finally got a hold of someone. Matthew is no longer there, but Anne Marie was more than happy to talk about setting up some games. Would like to do late Saturday/Sunday games. Tad is working to set this up.

November: Tad putting together a team. Have 2 coaches. Super flexible. Offered their fields. OPEN

 Elks Soccer Shoot: We have secured the following dates for the Piscataway Elks Soccer Shoot and District Soccer Shoot – 9/29/2023, 10/20/2023, 10/27/2023. We have the Piscataway High School football Field from 6:30 to 10pm on each of those dates. August: FYI

**September:** Good to go 9/29 – posted in website. Tabled for other dates.

**October:** This is happening rain or shine on 10/20 at the Turf. The District shoot will be held on 10/26 at the PHS turf as well. Maureen needs all the help she can get. We would like to receive the winners to add them to the newsletter.

November: Waiting on Maureen's write up. Mike reaching out. OPEN

**4.** Adding Recreational Trainers for the Spring - Rec Subcommittee: Chuck suggested a post-season Fall Rec subcommittee meeting in late October or before Thanksgiving to discuss Spring Rec registration.

September: Tabled to January 2024.

**October**: Tabled until after Thanksgiving/prior to Christmas in December. **November**: Meeting set for 11/29/2023 @ 7pm. Will report back to the board at the next meeting. **OPEN** 

5. Grass Seed for Green Acres: Dennis to follow up with John Tierney to determine grass seed for Green Acres

**October:** Still trying to talk with Jon Tiernney. Dennis was able to get a meeting on the books for Thursday, 10/26 and will report back.

November: Delivered, but nothing has been done. Tabled until January 2024. OPEN

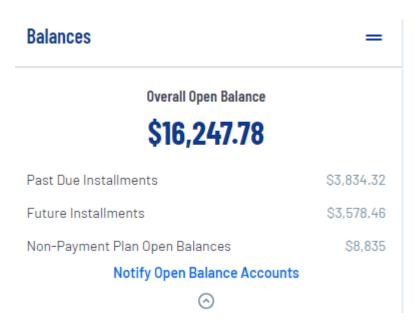
- 6. Advertising: Jeff Sundelof asked CarePoint Pharmacy to hang poster advertising PSC tryouts in return, they have asked PSC to post advertising for their new UPS store within the pharmacy.
  October: Tabled
  November: Jeff to remind Mike. Tabled until January 2024. OPEN
- **7.** Fryers and Grill: Mike noted that one of the fryers broke. Rob Harmer asked Mike to get it serviced. Mike responded not our responsibility. Mike is researching the possibility of buying 3 new fryers and a grill for PSC's own use and management.

**October:** The fryers at the High School have gone down, 1 by 1. They were getting two serviced before the next game. The High School AD wanted us to pay for the service, but we serviced them last year after the tournament. There was discussion about possibly looking at purchasing fryers (new or used) just for Soccer Club. That would require storage which Tad mentioned the building at Witherspoon if it is cleaned and the cabinets and stuff were ripped out. We should keep all the grills and food supplies in one place. Mike was going to look at pricing and report back.

**November:** Need to make a decision by March for the tournament if we are going to purchase fryers. We could get a new grill. Price of fryers are really expensive 4 x \$11,0000. There isn't really a place to rent fryers as Mike has tried to find a location. Tabled until March 2024. **OPEN** 

- 8. Volunteers: Yasmeen to take lead in developing a system to track Volunteer sign-up via Google Sheets. Volunteers seeking hours for NHS eligibility, etc. PSC can potentially use volunteers to paint fields throughout the season. Tad offered to take point on giving volunteers job assignments.
  October: Tabled
  November: Tabled until January 2024. OPEN
- **9. Players with Balances:** we need to agree to not allow players with balances to participate in Winter Training, and any players with unpaid balances after 2/1 will not be allowed to practice / train / play in the Spring. A few have asked for more time, which we have granted, though expecting monthly painting with balances completed by 2/1/24.

As of today, this is the balance of monies owed on registrations, all travel except for one Rec.



**October:** Ilia and Mike have been chasing people who haven't paid (Futures – 1/Recreation - 1/Travel - 51/TOPSoccer - 0). 12 families are being assisted with hardships. Mike is sending out reminders after the weekend again. They can't play in the spring until they are paid in full. Voted to adopt new policy of payment – Need to be paid in full by 11/1. Can be extended to 2/1 (if there is no arrangement for this, player can not participate in winter practice). If not paid in full by 2/1, player cannot play in Spring. Motion by DE,  $2^{nd}$  by Jeff Salles – approved.

**November:** Total now at \$2804.00. There are payment plans for most of what is outstanding. Ilia and Mike to keep up on this. **OPEN** 

#### 10. Tournament Report: With the Ref Fees increasing by \$5500

2023 39,017/220 = 178 per team

2022 33,500/207 = 162 per team

Delta \$16 per team.

I am going to suggest we raise Registration fees by at least \$50 per team – Chuck suggested to raise it \$75

I expect ref fees to increase again next year.

I would like to hear what the board thinks at the meeting on 10/19

**October**: Talking with Tournament committee on 10/23 Tournament Wrap Up meeting about raising registration fees \$75/team. Will report back at next meeting.

November: Concession report was emailed to Board. Mike to issue full tournament report. **OPEN** 

**11. Red Bulls Summer Soccer Camps:** As promised, here is a proposal for Red Bulls summer camps with Piscataway Soccer Club for 2024-2026. The proposal attached contains a lot of information. Most important are pages 6 and 7 which contain info specific to pricing and dates.

We are hoping to have all summer camps for next year online by Dec 15. If you could please go over this and let me know your thoughts.

Also, Dan Vitu will be on paternity leave from Oct 17 - Nov 7. Sergio Feuntes will be covering for him while he is away.

**October**: Need to talk with Chuck and Dan Vitu when he returns from paternity leave at the end of November. Tabled until November Meeting.

**November**: Dan to send a write up about summer camps to put in newsletter and for the website. Recreational flyer for February that will need to go to schools. Put a QR Code for the summer camps on the flyers. **OPEN** 

# **IV. New Business:**

1. Witherspoon Garbage: The township pulled their dumpster a few years ago and it continues to be an issue each Fall. Can the BOE put a dumpster there? One with a lid that locks, we could put a combo lock so the neighbors don't use it? That is why the township pulled it. What are your thoughts? The other option is to have the BOE pick up garbage bags weekly. We can empty the cans and place them in Bags.

Once we come up with a solution with the BOE, we will have to come up with a garbage duty schedule for emptying the cans and placing them in bags. I saw the pictures in the travel chat, it's not a good look for us or the BOE. The only other option is to use the Federal Parks Policy, Pack it in and Pack it out, Teams are responsible for removing their own trash after practice and take it home with them. Pull all the garbage cans.

**November:** It was suggested that people who need financial assistance could help with the cleanup. We would need a board member to oversee. Jeff motioned to remove garbage cans and put up a sign up for garbage duty. Chuck 2<sup>nd</sup>. Voted and passed by 11 votes. Reopen in July.

#### 2. Revised Player Code of Conduct: *Please see separate attachment*.

**November:** Jeff is going to revise and send to Chuck. They will present it to the boar. Suggestions of have a link to Bylaws/Code of Conduct/Player code of Conduct when you register or send it through Team Snap or send email to whole club. Further discussion in January.

## 3. Spring Rec soccer Ref program with Brian.

1. Have you or will you be holding a meeting / class to mentor the young refs? *Programs are coming up and trying to get people to sign up*.

- 2. Will you be ordering shirts for them?
- 3. Whistles for them? *Keep some in sheds*.
- 4. What is the minimum age?
- **5.** Picture Day for Spring?

## V. Reports of Officers:

- 1. President Mike Majorczak: no report
- 2. Tournament Director Mike Majorczak: no report
- 3. Executive VP Tom Roberts: *absent*
- 4. Director of Coaching Chuck Myers: hosted 2 festivals. 1 session was rained out, but program was a success. 2<sup>nd</sup> guessing program for the September. Truout policy all of NJ done in the same mnnth around the same time. You can advertise two weeks prior.

- 5. Treasurer Brian Hinds: report was emailed to the board.
- 6. Registrar Ilia Myers: *winter registration is up.*
- 7. TOPSoccer Coordinator Yasmeen Ash: *Winter Session they would love a session.*
- 8. Webmaster Jim Opitz: no report
- 9. Travel Soccer Jeff Sundelof (added in), Chuck Myers, Jeffery Salles, Dennis Espinosa & Luis Raymondi: Teams are sharing towers and fields very well. Parents & Trainers are doing really well. All games should be played and done by Thanksgiving weekend. Jeff is a stalker on Team Snap and watches what is going on with the teams. Towers will be up at Green Acres after training ends. The Witherspoon towers need to be moved to the parking lot to be refueled ASAP. The teams were asked if they wanted a Red Bulls Trainer for Winter Training. 2 Teams have opted and they will have one night for 1 hour and 15 minutes.
- 10. Recreational VPs Yasmeen Ash and Tad Powell: Last day is Saturday. Medals will be handed out.
- 11. Member at Large Equipment Coordinator Keith Koenig: *no report*
- 12. Public Information Officer George Roussey: hand in anything for newsletter by 11/30.
- 13. By-Laws Committee Mike Majorczak: no report
- 14. Parliamentarian Rey Villanueva: no report
- 15. Club Historian Zarah Opitz: no report
- 16. Secretary Kathleen Martineau: no report

## VI. Concerns of Teams:

#### VII. Concerns of Members:

#### VIII. Adjournment - September

Motion to Adjourn by <u>JO</u> 2nd by <u>ZO</u>, at <u>10:09</u> pm. Vote <u>13</u> (yes, no, abstain). Meeting Adjourned.

#### Calendar of Events: link to a directory

#### **Spring 2024 League Calendar**

Here are the details for the spring league. Be sure to get your teams registered by 1/28/2024 because late fees will be added afterwards. See details below.

- Registration is now open
- 1/28 registration closes at 11:59pm. Regular registration fee due.
- 2/5 flighting published, appeals open
- 2/12 appeals close at 11:59pm
- 2/13 appeals meeting (by the MNJYSA Board)
- 2/14 final flighting published
- 2/16 publish schedule
- Week 1 Sat/Sun, 3/16-17
- No games Easter weekend 3/30-31
- No games Memorial Day weekend 5/25-26
- Week 10 Sat/Sun, 6/1-2
- Makeup weekend 6/8-9
- Championship Saturday 6/15 (U11+, fights 1-4)

Registration Fees (per team)

- \$130 (+\$10 GotSport fee) regular registration through 1/28
- \$180 (+\$10 GotSport fee) LATE registration 1/29 through 2/5
- \$230 (+\$10 GotSport fee) VERY LATE registration 2/6 through 2/12

Drop Fees

- \$125 fee drop a team after appeals meeting but prior to publishing schedule, 2/13-15
- \$250 fee drop a team after schedule is published but prior to week 1, 2/16-3/15
- \$500 fee drop a team on/after week 1, 3/16 going forward

Registration is via <u>system.GotSport.com</u>. Log into your admin account, select TEAMS, select REGISTRATION, scroll down and find "Mid NJ Spring 2024". Click REGISTER and follow the directions.