

Baldwin-Whitehall Soccer Association
Meeting Minutes – February 21, 2021

Name	Status	Name	Status	Name	Status
Daria DiGorio-President	Online	Dan Hissong-Vice President	Online	Paul Kolesar-Treasurer	Online
Carolyn Page-Secretary	Online	Dave Schuchert	Online	William Knight	Online
Ellen Knight	Online	Nina Deibler	Online	Heather Hissong	Online
Anthony Graham	Online	Nick Balzer	Online	Pat Maloney	Online
Josh Kozak	Online			Dana Bush	Online

Tony had to leave at 7:46, left proxy to Dave Schuchert

Pat had to leave at 8:21, left proxy to Dan Hissong

(7:07) Call to Order

President's Report

- Colewood and future field update: Meeting was planned for last week with Baldwin to discuss the loss of our equipment. The borough postponed the meeting until 2/26. Whitehall is working with us on a 3–5-year plan to equip Highland field and the lower field at Prospect to be soccer fields.
- COVID-19 Protocol: We are still responsible to complete a health screening for each player before each game and practice. We have the ability to do this within TeamSnap, but every team will have to be manually loaded into the app. We could also run this through “Game Changer Team Manager” through Sports Connect free of charge. We will explore the logistical process of each to decide which would be a better option for this, but we agree that it needs to be uniform across the board and not at the discretion of coaches.

Motion made to purchase a zoom account \$149.90/2021 specifically for BWSA purposes.

Motion made by Carolyn Page, 2nd by Daria DiGorio, motion passes unanimously.

Vice President's Report-

Treasurer's Report-

- Budget committee met to update this year's budget. Not much has changed from last year except for the addition of the added COVID supplies that we used last year. We have a budget of \$8,800 for the year for field rentals for larger field space for older teams. We are operating at a loss \$578 for 2021 year. We will vote to adopt the 2021 next meeting.

Secretary's Report-

Motion made to approve January Minutes

Motion made by Daria DiGorio, 2nd by Pat Maloney, motion passes unanimously.

Permit/Field Status Update-

- Highland Park- 3/22-6/13 & 8/15-11/15 Monday-Friday 5:30-dark & Saturday 9-3, 5:30-dark
- Frank Park- 3/22-6/13 & 8/15-11/15 Monday-Friday 5:30-dark & Saturday 9-3, 5:30-dark
- BWSA fields (HS, WES, MES, HEC)- As of 2/12 the district provided a quick update. District is reviewing safety plans that have been submitted by the organizations requesting the use of the fields, but as of now the website to request permits has not been open. We were originally told that they were meeting the week after, but we have not heard back yet. We are not entirely sure if we will even have access to Whitehall field this year because the district has plans to remove the baseball field and make it a full pitch soccer field and they are not sure when construction will begin.
- Baldwin is still waiting to open permits as well for Colewood.
- Millennium field is not available at all.

- Brentwood applications must be turned in by 3/1 but have been very flexible with us in that we will not have a travel schedule until about 2 weeks after that. They want us to OVER estimate our use when requesting, but they will only charge us for what we end up needing.
- Daria is looking into the use of South Park fair grounds. \$30/3 hour block.

Social Media/Website Update-

Travel Coordinator Report- Boys numbers were good, girls were low. Some kids had to move up, some are playing coed. All players were offered a spot on a team, only 3 high school girls decided not to play after originally registering. Need to establish a plan to introduce travel to the current U8 players who will be eligible for travel in the fall.

Recreation Report- We currently have about 168 kids registered for recreation.

Coach Coordinator- We have about 12 recreation coaches currently. Our biggest need is typically the coaches for the older kids U10 and up. Working to plan coach development. We would like to hold multiple coach meetings in early March. We would like to establish a coach training program with the assistance of PA West.

Player Development Status (Nick)-

Coach Compliance Plan Status (Pat)-

Committee Reports

- **Budget Committee-** No Report
- **Policy Committee-**
- **Fundraising Committee-**
 - Daria spoke to Black Bear and we can hold off the printing of new cards for the fall. According to them, it will be in everyone's benefit including the vendors to hold off.
 - Heather spoke with Holly, the owner of Nothing Bundt Cakes. There is no minimum order. We could begin 4/1, orders would be due 4/21, and picked up for distribution on 5/8. \$5 per individual packed cake, with \$1 profit per.
 - Carrie is exploring options for fundraisers that have an online aspect, so we do not have to worry about the distribution and collection of physical forms.
- **Uniform Committee-**

New Business

(9:12) Motion to adjourn

Motion made by Daria DiGorio, 2nd by Dan Hissong, motion passes unanimously.