

## GAASA LEAGUE MEETING

May 7, 2013

Board members present: Jim Bauschlinger, Pres.; Tom Pickett, Exec. Dir.; Scott Kelley, Exec. VP; Paula Moore, Girls VP; Lu Ann Blazeff, Registrar; Melissa Fullen, Treas.; Barb Knabe, Dir. Commiss.; Deb Kimble, Secy. Not present: Zoe Walsh, Boys VP

<b><u>Clubs in attendance:</u></b>	Barberton SC	Bees SA	Chippewa SC
Copley SA	Coventry SA	Cuyahoga Falls SC	Diamond Select
Field Youth SA	Green SA	Inner City SC	Internationals
Jackson Fury	Lake SC	Lightning SC	Louisville SC
Manchester SC	Mantua SC	NEO	New Philadelphia YSA
Norton SC	Perry Soccer	Ravenna	Revere SC
Sagamore SC	Stow SC	Streetsboro SC	Tallmadge SC
Tango SC	Wadsworth SA		

<b><u>Not Present:</u></b>	Akron Metro FC	Alpha Phi Alpha	Brecksville-Broadview
Canton-Akron SC	Europa	Highland Youth SA	Kent SC
Rootstown SC	SC Ternopil	Springfield SC	St Hilary
Strikers SC	Woodridge SC		

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Melissa reported (YTD as of May 7, 2013) Income \$70,106.00; Expenses \$52,653.16.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

The Columbus Crew has invited us to have a GAASA night at their venue, with special perks for kids. If you are interested, please email Jim.

### **EXECUTIVE VP**

Scott reviewed card counts from Spring and Fall:

Fall 2012	RED cards: 7	Spring	RED cards (to date): 2
	YELLOW cards: 8		YELLOW cards (to date): 12

Scott also reminded the membership to review the Code of Conduct with parents, as there has been a spike in the number of Code violations by parents this season. He advised that parents will be put on probation and/or suspended from GAASA sanctioned games up to one year if required.

### **GIRLS/BOYS VP**

Paula reminded clubs that for playoffs, coaches must have in hand a typed, 2-sided game roster that includes the GAASA stamp. Handwritten game rosters and missing game reporting (page 2) will not be accepted at playoffs. Also, no guest players at playoffs, regardless of any rule changes from the season due to single carding.

She also noted that between Zoe and herself, one of them is signing into the reschedule system daily. There have not been any issues so far and the reschedules are going smoothly.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Tom reported that referee coverage so far this season has been excellent (approx. 98%) and credits the new assigning system.

GAASA will raise referee fees fall 2013 to make the league more competitive with other leagues in the area. Increases will affect 8v8 games as well as the center ref fee for 11v11 games. A proposed fee structure was handed out at a prior meeting. Please note that higher ref fees are designed to increase coverage; however, higher fees are no guarantee of better refs.

The playoff schedule is being finalized this week.

Board elections will be held at the July 16 meeting. The position of Secretary is open for nominations. Team registration will also be held at 7 p.m., prior to the league meeting at 8 p.m. Team declaration dates are posted on the calendar on the website.

Concussion compliance was 100% for the league. Thank you! Please note certificates carry a 3-year expiration date.

OYSAN has hired a new executive director. OYSAN is also working toward implementing a new, custom registration software package. As it is similar to SoccerWorks, GAASA plans to adopt it when it becomes available. Coaching clinics will be opening up over the summer. Please note also that OYSAN staff are available (and very willing) to present on various educational topics at your club/parent meetings.

### **REGISTRAR**

LuAnn thanks clubs for their help at spring player registration. The fall volunteer schedule is: Alpha Phi Alpha, Akron Metro, Barberton, Copley, Cuyahoga Falls, Chippewa, Coventry, Diamond, Louisville, Kent, Lake, NEO, New Philadelphia, Norton, Perry, Springfield, Stow, Tango. Please plan to send at least two (2) volunteers from your club.

For clubs who have online registration: Please be sure your printed registration form is legible (font over 5 pt type) and includes all the information required on the GAASA registration form – specifically mother's date of birth and code of conduct.

For registration, risk management is the only form that applicants need to go to OYSAN to complete. All other registration forms are available on the GAASA website.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**THE NEXT LEAGUE MEETING WILL BE TUESDAY, JULY 16 AT 8:00 PM AT PINNACLE.  
TEAM REGISTRATION WILL BE HELD AT 7:00 PM.**