



## Holliston Youth Soccer Association Board Meeting

Date	Start	End	Next Meeting	Next Time	Prepared By
04/02/2015	7:30 pm	8:30 pm	05/07/2015	7:30pm	Marc Wolfgang

Purpose of Next Meeting	Location
Monthly Board Meeting	Holliston Fire Department

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### Review of minutes from last meeting

- Minutes approved

### Opening Remarks

- We're all going to need to work together and be patient to address the delayed field opening issues
- Jeff Geoffroy did a nice job with the referee training clinic
- There will be a modest registration fee increase for next season
  - Funds needed to re-turf Marshall St.
  - Lost some Marshall St. rental revenues this Spring due to the late snow thaw
  - There is more competition for field rentals and we're at risk of losing some of this revenue
- We have expanded the HYSA relationship with former Holliston HS Girls Soccer Coach Kristina Kern, now the Women's Soccer Coach for Framingham State University. Refer to Attachment #1.

### Treasurers Report

- Cleaning up the HYSA accounts
- Setting up on-line bill pay
- New account receives 1% interest
- Putting together an audit committee over the next 2 months

### BAYS Report

- No report

## Registrar Report

- Spring'15 registration is close to done, although U-littles are still trickling in. Registration is high compared to prior years, especially considering that we don't have young PreK's or High School players. The spring numbers are driven by extreme U10B and strong travel boys numbers across the board. See below:

Spring	'10 '11	'11 '12	'12 '13	'13 '14	'14 '15
<b>Intramural</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>427</b>
Clinic	149	169	142	167	131
U08 Boys	66	84	89	84	88
U08 Girls	99	94	76	82	77
U10 Boys	50	55	65	66	80
U10 Girls	59	71	79	50	54
<b>Travel</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>298</b>
U10 Boys	11	11	12	21	22
U11 Boys	29	28	30	38	40
U12 Boys	27	24	25	25	40
U14 Boys	41	32	40	36	48
U10 Girls	11	11	11	22	10
U11 Girls	35	39	33	33	43
U12 Girls	41	28	39	28	33
U14 Girls	69	77	65	58	62
<b>High School</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>29</b>		<b>17</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>727</b>	<b>728</b>

- There are 70 spring teams, the most we've had (even including HS teams) since my records began in spring'06
- The U11B, U12B, U11G and U12G programs are closed to further registrations, same as last month. U10B has been reopened and the waitlisted players have been placed
- Fall'15 registration will open in late April with a fee increase as discussed.

## Girls Travel Report

- Player commitment is becoming an issue, high rate of practice and game absences being reported. Seems to be more of an issue in Spring.
- Discussed coming up with a communication plan directed to parents during the tryout period
  - **Minimum** expectation that players make 75% of games and 50% of practices
  - If you can't meet this expectation on a select team you are taking a roster spot away from a player who is willing to meet the commitment expectations
  - Spring placements are often based on Fall records, and higher rate of Spring player absences is affecting competitiveness in Spring

### **Boys Travel Report**

- Player commitment for U10B travel has been a bit of an issue
- A couple of player moves made with no issues
- There are some 9<sup>th</sup> graders who play HS soccer in the Fall, but based on their birthdates are eligible to play HYSA in Spring. We need to figure out how to get these players to tryout if they want to play on Select teams. E.g. do we want to implement a “winter tryout”?
- Need to figure out a policy to allow for adding “Exception” players to select teams who weren’t able to tryout, e.g. players who were injured during tryouts, players who moved to Holliston after tryouts.

### **U10 Girls Intramural Report**

- No issues

### **U10 Boys Intramural Report**

- No issues

### **U8 Girls Intramural Report**

- No issues

### **U8 Boys Intramural Report**

- No issues

### **Clinic Report**

- 35 pre-K kids in the program this Spring

### **Coaching Education Report**

- Registrar provided instructions on how to download coaches contact list. Coach information in Adminsports is more or less final and all listed coaches are CORId. The email about travel coach applications was sent this week and we've already received a few.
- M. Wolfgang to send out K-clinic coaching package for distribution
- M. Wolfgang to ask Intramural coordinators to inquire if any of the coaches would like a practice training session with an experienced HYSA coach

### **Referee Report (Intramural, Travel)**

- Intramural: Registrar added a "Referee Only" spring "program" for one 12/13 yr old who wasn't otherwise registered for insurance purposes. All others are covered as they are playing HYSA this year.
- Intramural Referees training: 30 applicants, 24 were accepted, 22 were trained
- Intramural Referees – in good shape
- Travel Referees – no report

### **Field Coordinator Report**

- Optimistic for the fields to be ready by week of 4/18, still need snow to melt and fields to dry out
- Need to create alternative practice plans for first two weeks due delayed grass field openings
- Decision to delay start of the season by two weeks, end season on 6/20 with a 9 game schedule

- Will open Marshall turf fields for Sunday intramural practices on 4/11 and 4/18

### **Marshall St. Report**

- Marshall Street committee has been established. Meeting next week to come up with guidelines for the committee.
- Tournaments lost some money because of the weather this year. First tournament in March (GPS) couldn't hold 8 hour games on Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup>. NEFC had to cancel on Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup> because of a snow storm the 20<sup>th</sup>. So, income was lost there. The good news is that the turf plow fees were covered by the clubs. Expenses were higher this year too, with the plowing of the parking lot.
- Grass closed indefinitely. There's a loss of income from NEFC if we close through April 18<sup>th</sup>
- Marshall lining will be done on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Keeping the restraining line for the 11v11 fields.
- Irrigation upgrade to be completed this spring. Need a deposit for that work.

### **Equipment Report (Bill North)**

- All equipment has been ordered, picked up, paid for (thank you Matt) and deposited in the Marshall Street Container.
- Three equipment pick up nights have been scheduled and announced.
  - Wednesday 4/1 from 6:15-7:15PM
  - Monday 4/6 from 6:15-7:15PM
  - Wednesday 4/8 from 6:15-7:15PM
- I will coordinate two Shirt Nights for intramural shirt purchases.
- I will coordinate clinic equipment with Jason and Sandra
- Two lightweight 6v6 nets have been delivered and will be assembled on Patoma Field once the snow melts.
- A replacement part was received and will be installed on the damaged 11v11 net on Marshall that was damaged in the snow removal process.
- I plan to replace three EVO nets this season with new tighter netting.
- I plan to inspect and repair all other netting during the course of the season. Please let me know of any repair needs.
- I will dig out corner flags and net weights from field container, hopefully they were replaced last fall.
- I will dig out the Field Closed signs and place them on field one. Please make sure NEFC and all HYSA coaches understand that field one and four will be closed even if the snow has melted. I suggest they remain closed until they have been mowed once and lined. I would defer to our landscapers if they feel more time is necessary.

### **Fundraising and Activities (i.e. calendar, Spookerfest, photos, Shamrock Ball)**

- Shamrock ball was a success, went well
- Shamrock organizers have offered to plan and run a "Mother/Son" fundraiser

### **Publicity Report**

- No report

### **Webmaster Report**

- No report

## **Old Business**

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- None discussed

## **New Business**

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- HYSAs has a gift for Wayne Regan. It's a glass plaque that has the HYSAs logo and thanks him for his time at HYSAs. Plan to invite him to the next meeting and present it to him.
- Jay Robie volunteered to organize the Revs and Breakers nights
- Reminder about Framingham's Memorial Day Soccer tournament
- The new 5.02 Policy on Age Limitations was approved by the BAYS board in February, and was accepted at the placement meeting on March 11th. It is more specific than the MYSA base document. Shouldn't mean any functional change for HYSAs. Basically, the new BAYS 5.02 policy says that "Div 1 and 2 teams will continue to be age based, while div 3 & 4 teams will be inclusive 'grade or age based'". Won't have to actually submit waivers for the kids who want to 'play down' with their grade on nonselect teams. Believe that HYSAs already fulfills the notification requirements with the Age Group table in the registration mem. The only exceptions are "properly documented ADA waivers and in the Fall only U15 players in the 8th grade can play at U14 (current bylaw 5C age waiver)". There are potentially two U15/8th grade select players next year, and one or two the year after. Registrar suggests HYSAs approach them individually once a board consensus is reached about fall only U14B select players.

## **Attachment #1: HYSYA and Coach Kristina: Summary of Understanding**

1. Coach Kristina Kern is the official goalkeeper trainer for Holliston Youth Soccer Association.
2. Coach Kern will run U14 goalie tryouts each spring.
  - a. Each tryout will be approximately 60-90 minutes
  - b. She will hold one tryout for the boys and one for the girls
  - c. Target is approximately four goalies per session
  - d. If numbers are significantly lower or higher than four we can adjust as needed
  - e. Kristina will provide an evaluation for each goalie candidate
  - f. Coach Kern will not be paid
3. Panther Premier Soccer Camp will continue to give preference to hiring current and former Holliston HS soccer players, both male and female.
4. Framingham State University will offer to host two -three free clinics for HYSYA soccer players
  - a. Clinics to be held in both spring and fall as schedules allow
  - b. First clinic tentatively scheduled for 4/27 at Marshall Field #2 & #3, 6-7:15 PM
5. Coach Kern will run a few clinics for HYSYA coaches each spring at no cost
  - a. Format and dates to be determined
6. FSU will host a HYSYA night at FSU woman's soccer game
  - a. FSU schedule is still pending. Date for HYSYA night TBD.
  - b. It will be open to all HYSYA players and their families
  - c. FSU coaches and players will meet and greet some or all of the players
  - d. HYSYA will organize and support event
7. Coach Kern can continue to hold her private training sessions at Marshall street at no charge
8. Coach Kern will continue to run her fall and spring goalie coaching sessions
  - a. Approximately 8-10 sessions per season
  - b. Coach Kern will continued to be paid for these sessions
  - c. Sessions to be organized and run by Coach Kern
  - d. HSYA will publicize sessions via website, one blast email to HYSYA parents per season and notices sent to HYSYA coaches
  - e. HYSYA will offer website support to aid in time sensitive communications to players such as weather related cancelations
  - f. Coach Kern is free to use parent's emails as needed for these sessions
9. HSYA will support Coach Kern's summer camps
  - a. HSYA will send out 1-2 blast emails in the spring for her summer camps
  - b. HYSYA website will provide link to her website and camps
10. Coach Kern will offer a free College Recruiting Information session
  - a. This will be open to all HYSYA members
  - b. At Coach Kern's discretion, current Holliston HS students will also be invited
  - c. HYSYA to provide meeting room and advertising for event