



## Holliston Youth Soccer Association Board Meeting

Date	Start	End	Next Meeting	Next Time	Prepared By
3/4/09	7:30PM	9:00pm	4/8/2009	7:30pm @ VFW	Chris Guccione

Purpose of Next Meeting	Location
Monthly Board Meeting	VFW

	Name:	Email:	At Mtg:
	<b>Executive Board of Directors</b>		
President	Wayne Regan (WR)	<a href="mailto:wregan@beaconhospice.com">wregan@beaconhospice.com</a>	Y
Vice-President	John Potemri (JP)	<a href="mailto:john.potemri@dialogic.com">john.potemri@dialogic.com</a>	Y
Treasurer	Dan Lacey (DL)	<a href="mailto:lacey_dan@emc.com">lacey_dan@emc.com</a>	Y
Secretary	Chris Guccione (CG) {also Marshall St. Director}	<a href="mailto:cguccione@ameresco.com">cguccione@ameresco.com</a>	Y
Past President	Bruce Baldwin (BB) {also BAYS Representative}	<a href="mailto:bbaldwin@entwistleco.com">bbaldwin@entwistleco.com</a>	Y
Legal Counsel	Jeff Williams (JW)	<a href="mailto:jdw.law@verizon.net">jdw.law@verizon.net</a>	-
	<b>Board</b>		
Girls Travel	Dan Curto (DC)	<a href="mailto:curt222@gmail.com">curt222@gmail.com</a>	Y
Boys Travel	Wendy Lussier (WL)	<a href="mailto:wendylussier@netscape.net">wendylussier@netscape.net</a>	-
U10 Girls	Lisa Curto (LC)	<a href="mailto:lisa.curto@gmail.com">lisa.curto@gmail.com</a>	Y
U10 Boys	Adam Scaramella (AS)	<a href="mailto:adam.scaramella@gmail.com">adam.scaramella@gmail.com</a>	-
U8 Boys	Bill North (BN)	<a href="mailto:billnorth@primetouch.net">billnorth@primetouch.net</a>	-
U8 Girls	Sandra Kantrowitz (SK), acting	<a href="mailto:kantrows@yahoo.com">kantrows@yahoo.com</a>	Y
Clinic	Stephen Ibbitson (SI)	<a href="mailto:sibbitson@hotmail.com">sibbitson@hotmail.com</a>	Y
Coaching Director	Rick Beidleman (RB)	<a href="mailto:richard_beidleman@merck.com">richard_beidleman@merck.com</a>	Y
Registrar	Sandra Kantrowitz (SK)	<a href="mailto:HollistonSoccer@yahoo.com">HollistonSoccer@yahoo.com</a>	Y
Equipment	Amy Heihsel (AH)	<a href="mailto:heihamy@verizon.net">heihamy@verizon.net</a>	-
Field Equipment	Maurice Obid (SO)	<a href="mailto:cobid@comcast.net">cobid@comcast.net</a>	-
Field Scheduling	Tracy Alexander (TA)	<a href="mailto:alexbeck97@verizon.net">alexbeck97@verizon.net</a>	Y
Intramural Referees	Jonathan O'Brien (JO)	<a href="mailto:jobrien@loitherstein.com">jobrien@loitherstein.com</a>	-
Travel Referees	Helder Moura (HM)	<a href="mailto:htmoura@comcast.net">htmoura@comcast.net</a>	-
Publicity Director	(open)	-	-
Fundraising	(open)	-	-
Webmaster	David Cox (DC)	<a href="mailto:dave.cox@oracle.com">dave.cox@oracle.com</a>	Y
	<b>Other</b>		
Coach	Paul Goughan		Y

<b>Topic #</b>	<b>Discussion Topic</b>	<b>Action By:</b>	<b>Status</b>
	<b>Review of minutes from last meeting</b>		
1	Minutes from last meeting were approved as amended.	BOD	Accepted
	<b>Opening Remarks</b>		
2	WR opened: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcomed Tom Goodman to the meeting. Discussion topic summarized below.</li> <li>• SL will be at the meeting next month. HYSA to thank her for her years of service as registrar.</li> <li>• Pictures have been delivered. HYSA will look into a different photographer for next year.</li> </ul>		Report
	<b>Treasurers Report</b>		
3	DL reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial statements were completed by Miller Wachman LLP. Report accepted by HYSA.</li> </ul>		Report
	<b>BAYS Report</b>		
4	BB reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Placements are in.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>		Report
	<b>Registrar's Report</b>		
5	SK reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 600-something are registered, but we are expecting late registrants. JP commented that SK did a report on the number of registrants over the past few years. It trended down slightly, but we still don't have school population data.</li> </ul>		Report
	<b>Marshall Street</b>		
6	Rentals scheduled for weekend of March 6 <sup>th</sup> and March 13 <sup>th</sup> for Scorpion Bowl. Getting a group together to clean up, and get the field ready.		Comments
	<b>Fundraising</b>		
7	Kim Marsden will be running the Shamrock Ball. WR thanked LG for running the ball for these past years. Shamrock Ball is March 19 <sup>th</sup> .		OPEN
8	SI mentioned he is still pursuing the parent/player golf tournament at Fore Kicks. A tentative date is in the HYSA schedule .	SI	OPEN
	<b>Coordinators Report:</b>		
9	<b>Referee Coordinators</b> (JO), (HM). Via email: Sending a note out to all refs for a preseason ref review night.		Report
10	<b>Clinic</b> (SI): 105 players for this spring. Need coaches.		N/A
11	<b>Boys U8</b> (BN): Boys down (37) players. Still need coaches.		N/A
12	<b>Girls U8</b> (-): All girls coming back.		Report
13	<b>Boys U10</b> (AS): No report.		Report
14	<b>Girls U10</b> (LC): (5) teams. Lost (1) coach.		N/A
15	<b>Boys Travel</b> (WL): Sending out another practice request. Shutdown registration for U11 & U12 boys. Fields needed for games.		N/A

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16	<b>Girls Travel (DC):</b> Same teams, down (2) players. U16/U18 will have one team.		N/A
17	<b>Coaching Director (RB).</b> No report.		N/A
18	<b>Field Coordinator (TA).</b> No Report.		Report
19	<b>Equipment Update (AH).</b> No report. Not present.		Comments
20	<b>Field Equipment (MO).</b> No report.	MO	OPEN
21	SI would like a week by week recommendation for training. DC to put something together. Most of the information is on the HYSA website. SI asked in an outside coordinator could come in an review.		
	<b>Old Business</b>		
22	Advertising policy and web site support. JP reported that they prototyped a landing page, and told attendance that we are being cautious until we have an opt-out policy with respect to e-mail blasts. BB reported that an Admin Sports software update will have such an option. SK asked if it was ok to blast out Coach Kern's camp announcement. This camp rents our fields. Approval was given.	JP	OPEN
23	WR to send out presidents letter for year in review. (Not discussed).	WR	OPEN
24	HYSA looking to update Bylaws, Rules, and Regulations. JP, BB and CG to work on. (Not discussed).	CG	OPEN
	<b>New Business</b>		
25	CPR classes were scheduled by XXX. First aid 3/10. CPR 3/17. First aid 3/25, CPR 4/22. Information to be posted on website.		N/A



## HYSA Notes on March Discussion Topic

Discussion Topic – Small Sided Games and the Benefit to Holliston Youth Soccer.

Presenter – Tom Goodman

Presenter Background: Current Director of Coaching and Training for Massachusetts Youth Soccer Association.  
Current Coach for BU13 Olympic Development Program  
Former US Youth Soccer National Director of Coaching

Tom Goodman presented on small sided games. The presentation can be found in the link below:

<http://www.hollistonsoccer.org/image/web/coaches/Why%20Small%20Sided%20Games%20goodman.ppt>

In summary:

Small sided games are being promoted by US Youth Soccer, and currently 49 state programs have adopted this method of training including Massachusetts Youth Soccer. Most other countries have adopted small sided games in their junior programs. The purpose is to develop more touches on the ball, more decision making by the player, more opportunity to scheme, more efficient coaching effectiveness, allows coaches to evaluate technique, and transition of play.

Comments from the audience:

SI believes that small sided games topic has more to do with U8 and U7 kids. In SI's audits of other town programs; he believes that HYSA is the only program that uses 4v4 format at this level; HYSA is not competitive with other towns; HYSA gives up the most goals at any level. There should be goalies at this level.

Second commenter stated that the 4v4 format promotes kick and chase, and less ball skills. The field is too big, and another player should be added. One strong player can keep the ball away from the rest.

Some other comments: Could separate U7 and U8. SK stated that there would not be enough teams.

Tom Goodman responded to most of the comments:

1. In player development there is always going to be a stronger vs. weaker player, and there will always be players that dominate.
2. It is important to balance the teams.
3. The director of coaching needs to evaluate the curriculum, and see if the coaches are following it.
4. Maybe HYSA should review reducing the 4v4 field size, less kick and chase, and more ball skills.
5. Goalie training can begin at a U7-U8 level, but it is not recommended that they play in games. At this age players need to learn field skills before they move to goalie.
6. HYSA should look into training coaches that are at the clinic and U8 level.

Discussion Summary:

HYSA to put together a committee to come to a consensus on the topics discussed, and provide some direction on the 4v4 format.