



Rockaway Township Soccer Association <http://www.rtsa.org>

Minutes of the Meeting for April - 2016

Meeting held on May 4, 2016

At the Senior Center, Rockaway Township



**ATTENDANCE/ REPRESENTATION**

RTSA President: Tom Nolan  
RTSA Vice-President:  
RTSA Treasurer: Mary Pace  
RTSA Secretary: Shelly Errante  
RTSA Registrar: Jim Haag  
Booster President:  
Booster Vice-President:

Director Soccer Op: Colin Browne  
Director Field Op:  
Travel Director:  
Head Coach: Rich Gill  
Head Referee:  
Recreation Director:

Booster Treasurer:  
Booster Secretary:

RV Director: Joe Gajda  
RT Soccer Liason: Doug Brookes

**RTSA TRAVEL Teams Represented**

U08B United: Paul Nekich  
U09B Xtreme: Diane DeMilia  
U10B Rage: Tom Nolan/C.Browne  
U10B Vipers: Jose Vadillo  
U11B Rebels:  
U12B Warriors: Jason Epstein  
U13B Thistle: Terrance Ferguson  
U14B Wolverines: Rich Gill  
U19B Eagles:

U08G:  
U09G Tornadoes:  
U10G Crossfire: Kim Brookes  
U11G Herricanes:  
U12G Riptide: Shelly Errante/Jim Haag/Sue Gordimer  
U13G Revolution: Maureen Camacho  
U14G Freedom: Dave Gavito  
U19G Lady Knights: Teri Rosenski

**In-Town Directors/Committees**

Massie Mundi:  
Communications: Dave Gavito

Uniforms: Samantha Martin

**General Attendees:**

Jim Zuravnsky

*\*\* When you attend a meeting, please make sure you sign in. Always review the information by your name and make corrections or additions where necessary. If you are representing a team or committee, please confirm that it is listed next to your name on the sign in sheet so that proper representation is given in the minutes.*

**Meeting brought to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Tom Nolan**

**Secretary's Report ([secretary@rtsa.org](mailto:secretary@rtsa.org)) – Shelly Errante**

- **Board Members please email me your reports that you read for the monthly meetings. Thank you**
- Motion to approve the minutes March Meeting: Motion/D Samantha M Second/ J Epstein

**Treasurer's Report ([Treasurer@rtsa.org](mailto:Treasurer@rtsa.org)) – Mary Pace**

<b>Balance on hand as of March 30, 2016</b>	<b>\$ 495.19</b>
<b>Receivables</b>	<b>\$ 60.00</b>
<b>Disbursements</b>	<b>\$ 7.15</b>
<b>Balance on hand as of May 4, 2016</b>	<b>\$ 548.04</b>

Filed 1099 Forms with the IRS that the accountant prepared. Sent to the Recreation Department a request for \$10,512.00 for reimbursement.

**Vice President's Report ([VicePresident@rtsa.org](mailto:VicePresident@rtsa.org)) – Jill Wilson**

- No Report

**Registrar's Report ([Registrar@rtsa.org](mailto:Registrar@rtsa.org)) – Jim Haag**

- No Report

**Boosters' Report ([Boosters@rtsa.org](mailto:Boosters@rtsa.org)) – Brett Miller**

- Applebee's Pancake breakfast is Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> from 8 am – 10 am. \$10 tickets will be available through our RTSA website shortly. Need at least 2 parents from each team to be available to help out and arrive at 7:30

**President's Report ([President@rtsa.org](mailto:President@rtsa.org)) – Tom Nolan**

**President's Report March 2016**

- Tryouts: Rick will tabulate results. Look to meet near the end of month or right after Memorial Day Weekend.
- Announce the teams the first Sunday of June

Thoughts on tryouts next year: Two days in April, Look to divide by boys and girls next year over a two weeks span, need more room with bigger groups

**Travel Director's Report ([TravelDirector@rtsa.org](mailto:TravelDirector@rtsa.org)) – Rick Suntag**

Via Tom Nolan: Bill Amberg was a board member of MCYSA and passed away. RTSA will send a small arrangement of flowers on behalf of our club

- All U11 & under are not allowed to head the ball. This was handed down from MCYSA

**Director Of Coaching ([DOC@rtsa.org](mailto:DOC@rtsa.org)) – Rich Gill**

MCYSA has adopted the following policy on heading the ball:

- MCYSA in full support of US Soccer's player safety campaign is proving this notice to confirm that recently released heading policy is adopted for league play beginning 4/24/16. This policy has recently been reviewed by NJYS and approved competitive play. In addition, the NJ State Referee Committee this past week provided incremental guidance to Referee Assignors throughout the state. Detailed guidance for when a U11 (or younger) player deliberately heads the ball in a match is provided for coaches and referees below;

### **Coaching Guidelines**

NJYS Guidelines for heading the ball for U11 and younger players can be found [HERE](#)

### **Referee Guidance**

#### **U11 Age Groups and Younger – Deliberately Heading the Ball**

Players in U11 and younger age groups may not deliberately head the ball in soccer matches.

- If a player deliberately heads the ball and the ball remains in play, the referee will immediately stop play and restart with an indirect free kick as per Law 13.
- If a player deliberately heads the ball and the ball immediately goes out of play, the referee will restart in accordance as to how the ball went out of play (throw-in, goal kick, corner kick)
- If a player is inadvertently struck in the head with the ball, there is no rule infraction. However, if the referee deems the player to be injured the referee will immediately stop play, have the player removed and restart with a drop ball.

In all cases the referee will assess the player to determine if the player is injured. Notes:

- A goal may not be scored against an opponent by deliberately heading the ball.

- Denying an Obvious Goal Scoring Opportunity does NOT apply to heading the ball as this action is NOT a foul.
- Referees will enforce these rules for the U11 age groups and younger.
- It is the responsibility of the team's coach/manager to ensure any player aged 10 or younger who may be "playing up" will not head the ball during the game.

There was a discussion at tryouts that the U9G team who tried out w/ the U10 G would be given an opportunity to have a separate tryout and allow for comparison among their own age group in addition to that of the year up they were required to try up with.

**Director of Field Operations & Development ([FieldOperations@rtsa.org](mailto:FieldOperations@rtsa.org)) – Joe McMahon**

Via Tom Nolan – Looking to do work on Mall & Norway Fields after season is over. Looking for landscaper through co-op

Flat nets on fields @ Norway & Hudsonia – Use these at Norway  
Don't move small sided nets

**Head Referee's Report ([HeadReferee@rtsa.org](mailto:HeadReferee@rtsa.org)) – John Olsen**

- No Report

**Director of Soccer Operations' Report ([SoccerOperations@rtsa.org](mailto:SoccerOperations@rtsa.org)) Colin Browne**

- We received all 8 coerver nets and they are set up at Hudsonia & Norway. We also just got in the 4 rebounders which will be put together asap. I want to thank the U10 Boys fathers for helping build them and especially Jeff Fino from Fino Electric. He unloaded them all at his place of business and transported them all to the Norway shed
- I also gave equipment to Paul who is doing our goalie training (agility sticks & hurdles). I also will be putting in a heavy mallet and 4 spikes in each shed in case you need to hammer the spikes in or in case they get lost. Also, please remember to put the flags away in the shed if you are the last game at that field.

**Rec Director Report: ([recdirector@rtsa.org](mailto:recdirector@rtsa.org)) Anthony Polito**

- No Report

**RVSL Director ([RockawayValley@rtsa.org](mailto:RockawayValley@rtsa.org)) Joe Gajda**

- No Report

## Committee Reports

**Communications / website** ([webmaster@rtsa.org](mailto:webmaster@rtsa.org)) – David Gavito

- Having some email issues within the new system. Looking how to resolve

**MVP Program** – Rich Gordon

Via Tom Nolan – I asked Rich to email just the U12, U13 & U14 and have them do MVP this spring

**Uniform Committee** – [uniform@rtsa.org](mailto:uniform@rtsa.org) - Samantha Martin

- Need to place an order for Travel. Waiting until after the teams are made for next Fall and place order all together
- Rec uniforms all went out
- Working on finding some alternatives for Rockaway Valley for the Fall

**Massie Mondri Memorial Scholarship** ([MassieMondiScholarship@rtsa.org](mailto:MassieMondiScholarship@rtsa.org)) – Rick Suntag

VIA Tom Nolan – All applications have been received from Morris Hills. Still waiting for Morris Knolls

Need volunteers to read essays

**Dave Wilson Scholarship** – ([Boosters@rtsa.org](mailto:Boosters@rtsa.org))

- Same as above

## Old Business

Received a few more volunteers to coach travel for the gap year/overlapping coaches

## New Business

1) Rec recreation fees: Since they are now all grade 9 referees, proposing our payment scale immediately match that of MCYSA for a grade 9; which is \$1 per 2 min of game time.

That would make Nationals \$24 and Internationals \$30 per game.

2) Determine age groups for Fall Rec and RV as well as set fees.

Suggesting the following:

PAL (Coed) =U05 - 2012 birth year

American (Coed) = U07 - 2010 and 2011 birth year

Nationals (Boys & Girls) = U09 - 2008 and 2009 birth year

No Internationals. Move to 3 RV groups, presuming RV has U15 to accommodate 8th graders

U15 - 2002 and 2003 birth years

U13 - 2004 and 2005 birth years

U11 - 2006 and 2007 birth years.

Motion to adjourn – 8:15 PM Samantha M – Second/Joe Gajda