



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

Minutes of the Meeting for March 27, 2017
Meeting held on
At the Municipal Building, Rockaway Township



ATTENDANCE/ REPRESENTATION

RTSA President: Tom Nolan
RTSA Vice-President: Rob Carmagnola
RTSA Treasurer: Rick Gordimer
RTSA Secretary: James Haag
RTSA Registrar:
Booster President: Diane Geveke

Director Soccer Op: Colin Browne
Director Field Op: Jeff Fino
Travel Director:
Director of Coaching: Rich Gill
Head Referee:
Uniform Chair: Samantha Martin

Recreation Director: Aaron Tomasini
Communication Director:

RV Director: Joe Gajda
RT Soccer Liason:

RTSA TRAVEL Teams Represented

U09B United:
U10B Xtreme: Anthony Polito
U11B: Vipers: Jose Vadillo
U11B: Bolts:
U12B Rage:
U13B Rebels: Mark Manz
U14B Warriors:
U15B Thistle: Mark McCaffrey
U16B
U19B Eagles:

U09G Banshees: Rich Gill
U10G Tornadoes: Robin Bogert

U11G Storm: Samantha Martin
U12G Crossfire: Kim Brookes
U13G Herricanes: Rob Carmagnola
U14G Riptide: Sue Gordimer
U15G: Revolution: Mark Rodriguez

U19G Lady Knights:

In-Town Directors/Committees

Massie Mundi:
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MVP:

General Attendees:

*** 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 7:33 PM by President, Tom Nolan

Secretary's Report (secretary@rtsa.org) – Jim Haag

- **Board Members please email me your reports that you read for the monthly meetings. Thank you**
- Motion to approve the minutes from __2/27/17__ Meeting Postponed to February Meeting
- First___Rich Gill_____ Second___Colin Browne_____
- Goal is to send out meeting minutes well in advance of each meeting. Looking to move away from having printed copies at the meeting.
- Reminder to sign attendance sheet. Don't rely on my memory

Treasurer's Report (Treasurer@rtsa.org) – Rick Gordimer

Balance on hand as of February 25, 2017	\$7,450.57
Receivables	\$0.00
Disbursements	-\$0.00
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Vice President's Report (VicePresident@rtsa.org) – Rob Carmagola

Charity Mania Invoice paid,

588 Tickets Activated, including (16) online sales

868 Unactivated

Profit after all fees paid was \$4,115.99

76 out of the 216 sellers failed to sell at least 1 ticket
as of Monday Morning the top point getter is unsold, 2nd highest as of now is sold.

Snow put a cramp in meeting with Steves Landscaping, Hoping to get together with him Thursday the 30th

Registrar's Report (Registrar@rtsa.org) – David Sproul

Rockaway Valley - Registration is complete. We are making some final adjustments. One outstanding coach to moved (Jim, can you support with this.

Rec - Regsitation is closed. We have several people on wait lists and more email inquiries coming into the inbox. We need to determine our acceptable max based on available coaches. Will connect with Aaron on the best steps on all divisions? When must teams be finalized?

Boosters' Report (Boosters@rtsa.org) – Diane Geveke

1. Booster Vice President
 - a. Welcome Anthony Lanzerotti, our new Boosters Vice President
2. End-of-Season gifts
 - a. Rec: need to order medals
 - b. Rockaway Valley: Coaches will be reimbursed \$50 for a pizza party if they submit the receipt from the party.
 - c. Travel: need to order drawstring bags (with RTSA logo) that can be used for cleats

3. Spring Picture Day
 - a. Tuesday, May 9th from 5-8pm at Copeland Middle School
 - b. For Recreation and Rockaway Valley only
 - c. Any Valley coaches that choose to not have a team picture, please email Diane Geveke, the Booster President at boosters@rtsa.org, so that adjustments can be made to the picture schedule if needed. Players from those teams can still get individual pictures taken during the event.
4. Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraiser
 - a. The Dine In/ Dine Out fundraiser will be Wednesday, May 17th
 - b. Thank you to Jenn Lanzerotti for arranging this once again.
5. Tri-County Fair June 15th-18th
 - a. Christ Church contacted RTSA about participating.
 - b. We'll be selling ride vouchers for \$20, \$5 less than the price at the fair. Vouchers can be used to purchase ride tickets at a ticket booth. Multiple vouchers can be used when making your purchase. Since we are getting a \$5 discount, people can't then also use the \$5 coupon that is available for the fair. This is a decision made by the amusement ride company, not Christ Church. Additionally, coupons printed from the Internet or a flyer can't be used. Only the coupon given to us by the ride company can be used, but, again, it can't be used with a voucher.
 - c. For every voucher we sell, Christ Church will give us \$4.
 - d. Admission is free. People only pay for the rides, food, and games.
 - e. Only on Thursday June 15th and Sunday June 18th: Unlimited ride bands will be sold for \$25. At the ticket booth, you can use the voucher and pay an additional \$5 to purchase this band. There will be approximately 16-18 rides.
 - f. We've been given Sat. June 17th from 3pm- 11pm for the use of the dunk tank. We receive all proceeds after the cost of the tank rental is deducted from the money we collect.
 - i. Volunteers for money collection would work 1-hour shifts. Want 2-3 adults per shift.
 - ii. Volunteers for dunking need to be adults. We need 16 volunteers (1 person for every 30 minute shift).
 - iii. Christ Church has a Community Liaison who is also going to contact township officials to see if they would volunteer to be dunked. Do any RTSA members have people in town they can also contact?

President's Report (President@rtsa.org) – Tom Nolan

The start of the season is rapidly approaching and Mother Nature has decided to not play nice. Travel is supposed to start April 2. We will not have the Mall field ready and will make a call about Enholm later this week. Practices will start on April 3, using Hudsonia and CC. We will not use Norway for practice till maybe April 10, but probably the 17th.

Valley has postponed their season till the 22nd and that will help. And it looks like starting the Rec season on the 29th was a good choice.

There will end up being games rescheduled during the week. Right now, we have left Norway available on M/W/F. We ask that all of you schedule your games on those nights. There will be Saturdays available as well. Look at the calendar on the web site to see when games are scheduled. We'll post Valley's schedule as soon as available.

The Hoop Mania fundraiser netted us just over \$4,000. Many envelopes came back unopened. That will not cover the cost of the gym and there is nothing leftover to put towards offsetting uniform costs. We met with Capelli a couple weeks ago and agreed to let them do the Travel and Rec uniforms starting in the Fall. There were a lot of factors in this and we get a really good bang for our buck with them.

I will have Travel costs figured out by the next meeting. Should be in the \$425 to \$450 range. Training costs will go up by \$250 to \$300 per team next season.

Travel Director's Report (TravelDirector@rtsa.org) – Rick Suntag

Travel Director's report:

•Spring schedules were locked by MCYSA on Sunday Mar 26. Our home schedule has been uploaded to our club google calendar. Please check your home / away schedule for discrepancies. We have one team that found 2 away games scheduled on the same day. Make sure you have 10 games listed (8 for D1). Let me know if you find any issues.

•We have 11 home and 14 away PCNs. Many April 2 and April 9 games will be cancelled due to field conditions. We have 9 teams playing in league cup. Bottom line - there will be a LOT of midweek and Saturday evening games played in April through May. Get your reschedule requests in while the dates you want are available. It's all first come, first served.

•I expect *ALL* our home PCNs to have play dates by the end of April. That gives you over a month to get them scheduled. As always, if there are issues between you and an opponent, please get me involved. Keep all your emails with opponent in a chain so you have a good record of your effort to reschedule. This becomes important if we need to get the league involved (very rare).

•Have a great Spring season and most of all, have fun!

How to [re]schedule a home game:

•Check our online field calendar for availability on the date / time you want.

◦U9-U10: Mall field Mon-Fri early evening is open. Saturday (Tom please correct if wrong) late afternoon

◦All other ages: Norway M/W/F/Sat eve. M/W/F we have 2 slots at ~6 or ~ 7:45PM. These will get adjusted when we get a bit over a week from game day, ie - if we have a U11 team playing at 6PM, the 2nd slot is 7:30. If we have a D1 game playing at 6PM, the second slot is 8PM.

•Email traveldirector@rtsa.org and ask for a hold to be placed on the date(s) you want to offer your opponent. I would suggest 2 or 3.

◦Wait for confirmation from me - usually within a few hours. If you don't hear from me within a day, email again or call.

•Email your opponents with the times you've held. Give them a choice. When both teams agree, let me know the new game arrangements. I will update MCYSA, release the unused dates from our field calendar (unless you ask me to hold for another game), and update the field calendar to show the new game date

◦Please include game numbers and teams involved in the subject of your email

◦I will send you a confirmation email when I update MCYSA - again, if you don't get this from me, I did not send it in.

◦MCYSA will update the game - This can take a few days, especially if the new game is further in the future. You will receive an email from the league. When you receive the email, verify the details to make sure they are correct! If you don't receive an email from the league, MCYSA did not make the update. Let me know so I can follow up with the league. Deadline is 8 days before the new game date or the assignor might not let the change go in.

◦Bottom line - this is a human process that requires RTSA (me) and MCYSA (league scheduler Brian Finn) to make updates. I won't be tracking individual game changes being processed - that's the job of each team.

Director Of Coaching (DOC@rtsa.org) – Rich Gill

Spring travel schedule is out. Trainer led practices begin 4/3/17 and go through end of season.

Coaches can invite up to 2 players to attend Fri GZ practices. The online system will go and wait list load one of the coaches accumulate the players who will be attending the goalkeeper training. Projected dates for the goalkeeper training or as follows: April 7 April 28 May 5 May 12 May 19 June 2 with the possibility of adding two dates beyond that as the season ends June 18. Do you signs sessions lots will be as follows: you nine through you 10 practice from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. You 11 through 12 will practice from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM. you 13 for you

15 will practice from 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Practices will be at Hudsonia unless otherwise notified. Any issues please contact Paul Nekich at pnekich1@gmail.com and copy me at DOC@rtsa.org.

Director of Field Operations & Development (FieldOperations@rtsa.org) – Jeff Fino

Lots of Snow, getting lights for Christ Church.

Head Referee's Report (HeadReferee@rtsa.org) – John Olsen

All referees have been contacted during March (3/19/17) to confirm status – see attached.

One additional referee was added post transmission – Matt Morelli.

Corrections have been made to the grid and follows.

All USSF certified referee can officiate any RTSA match, while only those who have attended the RVSL special course can officiate RVSL matches. Reasons unknown.

Once the schedules have been locked down and provided, additional communications will be made advising the referees of the pending matches.

Referee have until 2018 to secure the new USSF official apparel.

Director of Soccer Operations' Report (SoccerOperations@rtsa.org) Colin Browne

Building bags for RVSL based on number of teams, waiting on Rec.

Rec Director Report: (recdirector@rtsa.org) Aaron Tomasini

Lack of coaches, particularly in American, creating team development issues. Coaches meeting Friday April 7 at the Senior Center, 7 – 9 pm.

RVSL Director (RockawayValley@rtsa.org) Joe Gajda

RV has moved the start of the season back to 4/22 this will create additional week night games for all divisions.

Tentative start date for practice is 4/10 training 4/12 (51 training hours W TH F for 15 teams) portable lights will be available at CC practices will start 530 PM and end 830 PM

A Boys Division looking for players Checking into the possibility of moving up 7th graders from the B Division

3 opens houses went well waiting on paperwork and uniform pick up from players that did not attend

Working with Colin on a date for the distribution of equipment

RV C Division team looking for Tuesday practice time (working with Rich)

Coaches meeting for new coaches is tomorrow 3/28 Robert St Field House Wharton 630-745 PM
Coaches must bring their Rutgers Card

RV Grade 9 review / refresher course is Saturday April 1 9-11 AM in Jefferson Referee's must be grade 9 or higher to referee RV C Division games

Rich Herbison Referee Assignor is offering his assigning service to all RV clubs Rich will assign all home games using our in town referee's first with a pool of back ups if necessary

The cost is \$2 per game

Turned in \$65 in uniform money \$45 cash \$20 check

Committee Reports

Communications / website (webmaster@rtsa.org) – David Gavito

No Report

MVP Program – Rich Gordon

No Report

Uniform Chair- Samantha Martin

RVSL Uniforms done

Shirts will be ordered for Rec once teams are finalized.

Travel will be moving to Capelli package in the Fall, includes uniform & practice jersey. Finalizing cost. Add ons will be available via website.

Massie Mondri Memorial Scholarship (MassieMondiScholarship@rtsa.org) – Tom Nolan

Application Deadline in 2 weeks. Will be looking for volunteers to review. Senior awards first week of June for both schools

Old Business

New Business

April Meeting is 4/24/17. 7pm Booster, 7:30 general meeting
April Meeting Moved to 4/23/17 since Travel Tryouts are on 4/24.

Motion to adjourn – 8:15pm PM Sam Martin Second/ Tom Nolan