

# Scituate Soccer Club

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
January 22, 2020

## Attendees:

Chris Nylen, Jen Sjostedt, Kevin Griffin, Andy Gill, Michael Foley, Cassandra Healey

## Fields/Clinics

- Still ambiguous whether Rec Department is going to charge SSC as a commercial program when using fields for clinics
- Town still is not sure who will be in charge of permitting
- Game day still \$10/player
- Is SSC being treated differently than the town programs who bring in professional support for clinics?
- Need clarification around why SSC is classified as a Category 6 (For-profit, outside Scituate)
- Need explicit answer from Kevin D. at Rec
- Rules will go before selectmen in February
- Kevin and Chris have had discussions with Maura at the Rec Department
- Possible that blanket bookings will be eliminated – is this just for weeknights or for game days as well?
- High school turf may not be completed/available until after the spring soccer season is completed

## Referees/Rule Updates

- Coastal will be implementing new laws, some of which are applicable to us
- Goal kick/free kick within goal area no longer needs to clear the penalty area before being played
- (Build-out area for younger teams needs to be enforced)
- Fouled injured player can now be treated on the field and does not need to come off field
- Captains – winning coin toss can choose either ball or side.
- Goal can be scored directly fro face-off
- Drop ball in penalty area goes to the team that last touched the ball
- No attackers can join a wall or be within one meter of it. (Wall equals three or more players)
- We need to update Scituate rules and circulate that info to coaches.
- Email blast, coaches meeting
- Referee numbers and recruitment TBD
- recertification process has changed

- “Grassroots” is now grade 8 entry level, and is different from SSC’s Grassroots middle school pilot program
- Pilot program seems to be effective despite declining number of returning trainees
- None certified yet, which may lead to shortage
- Need to encourage 14 year-olds to get certified – support from coaches and peers
- Certification provides better pay rate
- Eight hour certification program, four hour recert program
- Can we arrange team practices for live referee training?

### **CYSL Updates**

- Books will be generated with rules, team directories, field locations, etc
- Soliciting content – hope to produce enough for all coaches and referees
- Concussion and abuse training programs are being pushed off due to issues around tracking
- Brackets should be complete in a couple weeks

### **Important Dates**

- In-town registration will open February 15 (Nine week season plus World Cup takes us through June 13)
- Uniform orders by March 14
- Coaches meeting at Untold March 26
- Season opens on April 4

### **Miscellaneous**

- Uniforms – Critical that payers are wearing correct assigned numbers
- Passcard photos should all be uploaded to Blue Sombrero
- Scholarship for Scituate High School – \$500 x 4
- Making contribution to St. Mary’s tonight