

General Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2023
Call to Order: 8:05 PM

**ROLL CALL:** CLUBS NOT PRESENT: Cocoalico, Conrad Weiser, Exeter, Garden Spot, Myerstown, Pottsville, Sch. Valley, UPM, Minersville 1<sup>st</sup>: Oley 2<sup>nd</sup>: Twin Valley

**PRESIDENT(Adam Smeltz):** Fees for 2023/2024 will dramatically increase from EPYSA. Full club boards are required to have clearances and trainings. Refs are being told if there is an unruly parent they must address with the coach. It is then up to the coach to identify the offender and if they do not then teams will be prevented from playing any games until the offender is identified. Inclusivity rules from EPYSA, gender that the player is identified as on birth certificate is the gender that the player may play unless it is accompanied by a document from an appropriate healthcare professional. This will start with the spring season.

TREASURER(Cory Reader): SEE FINANCIAL REPORT PRESENTED Spring registration fee will be \$100 p/team. EPYSA player fee has increased close to \$3.00 per player going into fall. Paid shipping to mail taxes. There are currently 11 clubs that owe for Spring. please get this in ASAP.

1st: Mt. Penn 2nd: Wilson

1ST V.P(Dan Allen): Remember that cards carry over from fall to spring.

<u>2<sup>ND</sup> V.P(Mark Radcliffe)</u>: We are also looking at a new format for playoffs next fall. Potentially looking at clustering semi final games by age group at locations. If you have fields that you would like considered please see a Board member.

SCHEDULER(Trish Allen): March 4 - Schedule will be released to clubs, 3/7 Field commissioner and coach meeting at Fleetwood Bible church,3/12 Deadline for game change requests, 3/18 Schedule will go live and there will be NO changes after this point.n4/1-2 Wk #1, 4/8-9 NO GAMES Easter, 4/15-16 Wk#2 Roster Freeze, 4/22-23 Wk#3, 4/29-30 W#4, 5/6-7 Wk# 5, 5/13-14 WK# 6, 5/20-21 WK#7( Makeup week) We will start assessing fines for not attending meetings beginning in January 2023. If you have a new field commissioner please have them get in touch with me ASAP. I want to make sure that they are ready to go properly before we get into the season.

**REGISTRAR(Jim Christian): DO NOT BASE TEAMS ON SECONDARY PLAYERS.** Teams are set for the year. Remember only 5 transfers, only release and add how many you need to. Unfortunately foreign born players could take 2-3 months to clear with new guidelines. 3/27 player registration deadline, 4/9 roster freeze.

**COACHES REP.(AJ Conrath)**: NO REPORT The Board received an official letter of resignation from AJ. This position is currently considered vacant and will be open for elections. If anyone is interested please reach out to a current Board member or Michael Moxley from UPM(election committee chair).

**DISTRICT III Rep:** NOT PRESENT NO REPORT

## REFEREE LIAISON(Al Cross): NOT PRESENT NO REPORT

OLD BUSINESS: Bylaw and Constitution rewrite is posted on the website. This month will be the first official read through. Please review before the next meeting and get in touch with us if there is something that you don't think looks right.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Election Committee:** 

Michael Moxley has agreed to be the nominating chair for our 2023 elections. Board positions up for re-election are President(willing to stay on), 2nd VP(Willing to stay on), Treasurer(Willing to stay on), Coaches Rep.(looking for a replacement). Please message Michael at mmoxley@stormbuilt.com if you are interested in filling the open position,

- Constitution and Bylaw: 1st read through 2/8/2023. \*Discussion on number of primary players needed for number of votes given. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that the current wording is appropriate.

  \*RBJSL is a good middle ground option for many clubs.
- \*Motion to approve Constitution and ByLaw rewrite

1st: Tulpehocken

2nd: Wilson

All voting members present in favor.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: 1st: Mt. Penn

2<sup>ND</sup>: Pine Grove at 8:50pm

NOTE: MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT MEETING. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED R.B.J.S.L. SECRETARY Besterage actiffinal grame by age group as lacations. If