

**South Shore Soccer League  
General Meeting  
February 21, 2017**



**Minutes**

**ROLL CALL** – All towns in attendance except for Hanson and Rockland

**MINUTES** – approved as emailed

**TREASURER REPORT** – handout approved

**COMMUNICATION**

- Mass Youth Soccer & Leagues Committee – Mass Youth Workshop January 28<sup>th</sup> at Great Wolf Lodge in Fitchburg had a large attendance and the Appreciation night. The sessions from the workshop are online.
- The AGM is March 11<sup>th</sup> at the Doubletree in Leominster.
- There is a bill at the statehouse regarding child labor laws and to make an exception for referees 14 and under
- Town select league pilot program had 11 teams and they should reach out to more areas
- Registrar – Towns should have their cards in and the rosters need to be in Affinity as you will access the rosters from Affinity
- Referees – recerts are on [www.massref.net](http://www.massref.net). There are new referee courses and also each town needs a certified assignor. March 11<sup>th</sup> will be the referee meeting in Holbrook. 8-10:30 for referees and 11-12:30 for the Coaches. March 25<sup>th</sup> is the field training in Braintree.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

- Scholarship – April 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline. Mass Youth also has a scholarship
- Sportsmanship –no report
- Rules – rule 4.5 passed 10.7 – passed
- Host sites needed for Friendship Games, Quarterfinals, Semi and Finals

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Referee Retention Committee – Jeff is meeting Tuesday

Next Meeting is March 20

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## By Law Change Proposals

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### Change to 4.5:

4.5 All Executive Board Officers and At-Large Board Members shall hold office for a two (2) year period. The election of Executive Board Officers and At-Large Board Members shall be by ballot at the Annual General Meeting in May and be staggered on the following basis: even number years for President, Secretary and three (3) At-Large Members (the Immediate Past President, if willing, shall remain a Board Member ~~so long as his or her successor serves as President~~ for no more than two years); odd number years for Vice-President, Treasurer and two (2) At-Large Members.

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### Change to 10.7:

10.7 Divisional Play Structure: Placement of teams in each separate age and gender grouping shall be determined using the following criteria.

- A) Age and gender groupings shall be defined as follows: ~~U12 Boys, U12 Girls, U14 Boys, U14 Girls, U16 Boys, U16 Girls, U18 Boys, U18 Girls, U19 Boys and U19 Girls.~~ Gr5/6 Boys, Gr5/6 Girls, Gr7/8 Boys, Gr7/8 Girls, Gr9/10 Boys, Gr9/10 Girls, Gr11/12 Boys, Gr11/12 Girls.
- B) Category 1 associations - Category 1 association towns shall be defined as a minimum of (6) town associations that possess the highest total performance score ~~average number of teams placed~~ in each specific age and gender grouping over the 3 prior SSSL spring seasons. The total performance score calculation is as follows: = {(Points \* [Division factor (3 or 2 or 1)]) + [Count weighted by Division (5 or 3 or 1)]} \* Recent Factor (100% or 75% or 50%).