

- **Call to Order**
  - Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM
- **BOD in attendance**
  - Joe Zizik, Scott Anderson, Eric Stoddard, Kevin Girard
- **BOD not in attendance**
  - Joe Filippetti, Chrissy Caplet, Perry Papadopoulos, Tom Butler, John Ressler, Iain Anderson
- **Clubs in attendance**
  - East Lyme (Eric Stoddard), Griswold (Ed Conn), Groton (Rich Loach), LOLSC (Hayden Reynolds, Matt Osborne), Valley (Brian Zupan), Waterford (Suzuko Knott), Westbrook (Rich Annino)
- **Clubs not in attendance**
  - Colchester, DOCA, East Haddam, HK, Ledyard, Montville, New London, Norwich, Norwich PAL, Old Saybrook, Stonington, Southeast
- **Minutes**
  - No motion for minutes will have to approve at the next meeting.
- **District Report**
  - Scott Anderson will be the new Girls League Chairman.
  - Chrissy Caplet will be the new Assistant District Registrar
  - SE Hall of Fame Diner October 28<sup>th</sup> @ Coast Guard Academy
    - Recipients: Paul DeCastro, Colin Delaney, Mick Fearon, Chris Parsons, Katie Schoepfer
  - **Each town should send to Joe, no later than Nov. 15**, a list of the following award recipients: Male, Female and Adult
  - Award ceremony is planned for January, 2023, likely at Clark Lane Middle School in Waterford.
- **League Report**
  - Score over runs is happening in the U10 Girls division.
  - Score overruns \$100 per team fine will be imposed.
  - Several in attendance discussed the ongoing challenges of towns placing their teams in the proper division (Gold, Silver, Bronze) Rich commented that it's very helpful when Joe strongly suggests/forces a town to move a team "up" to the proper division, noting that Joe, and not a town, should have final say in proper placement
  - Joe mentioned the possibility of promotion/relegation of teams based on season results. Several in attendance commented on the advantages and disadvantages of such an approach. Hayden suggested letting Spring season results dictate Fall Season placement, but most commented that this isn't practical as Spring teams are generally very different than fall teams do to factors like competing spring sports and focus on Club/Premier soccer. It was generally agreed upon that promotion/relegation would be too difficult to implement. Instead, the focus should be on towns entering their teams in the proper division and leadership (SECJSA, Presidents, etc.) taking a fair and reasonable approach to team placement.

- Conversation focused on lopsided scoring (7+ goal differential). Joe reiterated that this is typically an issue at the U10 level. A question was asked about which towns are the most frequent offenders. Joe agreed to look at the last two years of results and present his findings at the November meeting. Hayden asked who is responsible for dictating the excessive goal fine (SECJSA, State, or National) and Joe explained that it is a SECJSA rule.
  - Discussion of Premier/Club players and how we might note them on rosters. In the past, Premier players were noted on rosters, but Stack doesn't account for this. It was decided that there really isn't a good way to note this on rosters, plus referees aren't going to check/enforce this. Matt noted that all Premier/Club players must play on the highest level team (e.g. Gold) in their town. Joe said that all towns should take this same approach and added that no Premier/Club players are allowed to play Bronze.
  - Joe expressed ongoing frustrations about using Stack for both league game scheduling and reporting scores. Joe has raised these concerns with Stack, but they've been unable to provide a reasonable solution
  - As a solution, Joe plans to revert to the "old way" of using Excel, .pdf's, and the district website for managing game scheduling and reporting scores. This will serve as a trial run and we'll decide what's best for the fall season 2023. Joe has notified Stack of this approach
- **Referee Report**
    - Need more referees
  - **Important Dates**
    - SECJSA Fall District Meeting, November 16<sup>th</sup> 7 PM, St Ann Church, 41 Cross Rd, Waterford
  - **Adjournment**
    - Adjourn at 8:23 PM