

Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association Inc.
East Central District All Club Board Meeting
Kimberly High School
February 24, 2020
7:00 PM

Club	Representative	Club	Representative
DePere	Dusty Rhodes	New Holstein	Chad Koeck
Electric City	Nate Laabs	NEW United	Vicki King
FC Green Bay	Quinn Ross	NEW United	Shant Mesdjian
FC Menasha	Kevin Otto	Niagara	Jim Laydon
HOV	Mike Buman	Oshkosh	Brian Casey
Howard FC	Matt Bellisle	Synergy	Jeff Jones
Kiel	Laura Markham	TASK	Jay DeBruin
Kimberly	Noe Smart	United Hurricanes	Chad Blahnik
Kimberly	Matt Walters	United of Allouez	Abdul Nur
Manitowoc GG	Steve Meyer	Water Cities	Mark Frierdich
Neenah	Mike Jones		

Clubs Absent: Fond du Lac, Fox Cities United, Green Bay Lightning

East Central Board Members

President – Jay DeBruin (TASK)

Vice President – Scott Frisch (United Hurricanes)

Secretary – Doris Schommer (NEW United)

Treasurer – Noe Smart (KASA)

District Registrar – Kevin Otto (FC Menasha)

TOPS – Wayne Stoflet

Games Comm. – Chris Billstrom

Adult League Comm.- Vicki King (NEW United)

Recreation Comm. – Mike Buman (HOV)

Referees – Mike Jones (Neenah)

Academy Comm. – Absent

Director of Operations – Sue Ann Evers

Roll Call (by sign in)

Introductions were made around the room

Questions about merger NEW United, United Hurricanes, DePere Select

Scott Frisch addressed the group to explain what is planned for the merger of these three clubs.

- Wisconsin United Football Club is the name of the merged clubs
- One club with three regions
- One central communication chain
 - One Club Board for the three merged clubs
 - Each region will have a regional board
- Each region will have teams from that region
- When it becomes difficult to form teams they will blend teams from the three regions
- Recreational teams will still be regional.

- The club will have voting rights depending on the total number of players registered to the club. The number of votes per club will be consistent with the constitution and by-laws of WYSA. No individual may carry more than one positions vote.
- East Central membership was concerned as to how club passing would be used.
 - The intention was never to create super teams within East Central to play at the classic level
 - The purpose of the merger is to have players play at a higher level

Treasurer's Report – See report

Motion: A motion was made by Mike Buman (HOV) and seconded by Chris Billstrom to approve the Treasure's Report for February 2020.

Discussion: When we renew to the CD's should we renew the initial amount that was placed in the CD and absorb the interest into the East Central budget. It was decided that if East Central did not need the money that we should reinvest the entire amount into new CD.

Motion Approved

Commissioner's Report

- TOPS – See Report
 - Howard FC: Middle of winter session. Participants range from 5U-15U. A spring session will be held
 - Bay Area Tops (Ashwaubenon) The group meets five times. Fall and Spring- Sundays
 - This is older age group. As they leave High School there are less opportunity to be involved in activities.
 - Water Cities - Four sessions in winter. Planning to host a spring session.
- Registration – No Report
 - Difficult to reach Katherine – East Central District Registrar in the Green Bay Area
 - If you know of someone to do this paid volunteer position, please have them contact Kevin Otto. East Central provides supplies to complete duties for this position. Person processing the cards cannot be the club registrar for their club.
 - Player Registration: Clubs may refund a player's money if the players decides he/she no longer wants to play soccer. If the roster is not approved the club registrar can remove them from the roster. If the roster is approved, the district registrar will need to remove that player.
- Referees – See report.
 - Recertification classes
 - If referees have not completed the paperwork for the recertification class they are removed from the attendance list and are not allowed to attend that class.
 - There are many steps to complete, in order to get recertification. Referees are not willing to do all of the work to get the recertification and we are seeing a lower number of referees available for work.
 - Clubs should post information on their website to tell potential referees about this opportunity.
 - East Central Modified Rules are updated on the website. If you find something that is not correct or you have questions, please let Mike Jones know so that it can be corrected.
 - WYSA has a protocol sheet for WYSA Select, WDA and State League. Do we want to create a protocol sheet for East Central League?

- WYSA Protocol Sheet/Section: Player Passes – Issue with the wording.
 - No Photo on Player Pass Cards - *if a player has a player pass card he/she will have a photo. Not player pass cards are processed in East Central without a photo.*
 - Mike proposed to have a similar form for East Central. See attached
- Games – No reports
- Adult - See Report
 - Working with WSL to get link on website to have adults register. WSL will stay with StackSports for the coming season. Registration will be just like last year.
- Recreational. No report
- Academy- See Minutes
 - Referee Mentoring Program will be held on two dates for Academy Events
 - May 2, 2020
 - June 27, 2020
 - The discussion about setting requirements to be an Academy Club is tabled.

League Scheduling Dates – See report for Spring Scheduling dates

State Report:

- Reminder – RSVP for WYSA AGM on March 4
 - <https://www.wiyouthsoccer.com/events/annual-general-meeting/>
 - If you have issues with the registration, please contact Meghan Ward at the state mward@wiyouthsoccer.com
- Budget approved for presentation at the AGM
 - Full details will be sent in coming packet
- Noteworthy Budget Items:
 - D license fee will increase from \$415 to \$450
 - National League/Midwest Conference
 - Increase from \$650 to \$750
 - US Youth Soccer fee increase
 - Presidents Cup will match State Championship
 - 13U-14U - \$850 (+100)
 - 15U-16U - \$878 (+125)
 - 17U-19U - \$900 (+150)
 - Starting 2021 season, all team that lose at State Championship play-in game will automatically be entered in President’s Cup
 - Matches what neighboring states are doing
 - Wisconsin Development Academy
 - Being discontinued after spring 2020
 - Teams will likely play in state league
 - A result of a U.S. Soccer mandate

Business Issue/Updates

Deferred AGM Item’s

Field Conditions

Establish in rules a required to have a home club verify fields are playable by 3 pm on game day.

Motion: A motion was made by Kevin Otto (Menasha) and seconded by Doris Schommer (NEW United) to accept the motion listed above.

Discussion:

- The 3 pm time does not cover weekend games.
- Clubs need to make sure that the team information on the application that is submitted for scheduling has the correct contact information listed.

A friend amendment to have the home club communicate 2 ½ hours before game time. Kevin accepted the amendment and Mike seconded the amendment

Amended Motion: The home club will verify fields are playable 2 1/2hours before game time of the earliest game time on that field.

Amended Motion Passed

Publishing 11U and 12 U standings

To focus on development, no longer publish the score/standing of the games publicly, except for division 1 leagues

Motion: A motion was made by Chris Billstrom and seconded by Mike Jones (Neeah) to accept the motion listed above.

Discussion: The rational is that we will not post the score to avoid players focusing on the score.

Motion: denied

Fall Scheduling

- *Currently play all games on Saturday and Sunday*
- *Proposal is to schedule games on Monday and Wednesday during the last week of August and first week of September*
 - *This does not prohibit clubs from working out playing on a weeknight after the 1st draft of schedule*
 - *Only the 1st draft would schedule at these times.*

Motion: A motion was made by Kevin Otto (Menasha) and seconded Chris Billstrom to accept the motion listed above.

Discussion:

- East Central has always allowed teams to reschedule during the week. Coaches/clubs think that they have to stay with the day of the week that is originally scheduled for their team.

- Playing some games on the weekdays, opens people's mind to a different playing day. By scheduling the first few weeks on a weekday, this forcing the clubs to think about other days of play.
- The Fall Season is short and weather determines how many open dates of play we have. By playing some weekdays during the fall, it opens the weekends up for teams to play in tournaments. Clubs can adjust to a weekend night. The earlier we can get games in the better, avoiding weather late in October.

Motion Passed

A request was made to have a scheduling sheet created for fall ready to approve so that clubs can plan for the fall. This will also help for tryout outs so clubs can communicate information to parents.

Youth Academy Requirements

Per Academy Meeting- recommend deferring indefinitely - See Academy minutes

Rescheduling Proposal

Membership was shown rescheduling proposal that was presented at the East Central AGM.

Reasons to propose a new rescheduling policy

- *Increased number of rescheduled games*
 - *Reschedules are happening outside of weather and school related events*
 - *Put a large burden on field schedulers, referee assignors*
 - *Generates parent complaints*
 - *Current reschedule procedure is extremely complicated*

Proposal Guidelines

The following proposal applies to the following

- *Reschedule requests*
- *Forfeits*
- *No-shows*

Once the East Central Schedule is finalized and published – there should be minimal reschedules, forfeits, no-shows

Reschedule requests 15 or more days before scheduled date of the game.

- *Reschedule may be completed without a fee*
- *If referees are assigned to the game*
 - *The club initiating the reschedule must pay their portion of the referee fee*

Reschedule 14 or fewer days before schedule date

- *The club initiating the change will be charged a \$50.00 fee*
 - *East Central will bill the club for total changes at the end of the season*
- *The club initiating the change will pay the full referee fees if referees are assigned*
 - *This should be paid to the referee assignor for the game*
- *This does not apply if the game if the game is canceled due to*

- *Weather*
- *Field conditions*

Invalid reasons to reschedule a game

- *Not having a full team*
 - *If you can field 6(11U/12U) or 7(13U and up) you play*
- *If a coach cannot attend*
 - *The club should find an alternate to stand in*
- *Travel on a school night*
 - *There is plenty of time to work out an alternative before the schedule is live*

Forfeits and no-shows

- *The club forfeiting or not showing up for the game is fined \$300.00 a game*
- *Fine must be paid before Jan 1 (Fall Season) or July (Spring/Summer Season)*
- *Any club not paying the fee will be ineligible for East Central leagues the following season*
- *An official sanction of the club will occur*

Motion: Mike Buman (HOV) made a motion to accept the rescheduling. Mike Jones seconded

Discussion:

- There are way too many reschedules, something needs to be done.
- Coaches/clubs need to tell other coaches/clubs that they will not reschedule. We are being too flexible in reschedules after the schedule has be finalized.
- Coaches, players and parents have adjusted their schedule to make the games. It is unfair to ask all of these people to adjust their schedule to acuminated one or two people.
- At the East Central scheduling meeting clubs need to come prepared. The attitude is that they can always make a change later. Everyone needs to put the work in at the front of the schedule not after it has been finalized.
- There is a lot of information in this proposal. Clubs need time to review this.
- It was pointed out that it was presented at the East Central AGM and the clubs should have looked at it more.

The motion was deferred: It was proposed that the motion be tabled and a committee get together to fine tune the proposal.

Committee to meet after the March 16, 2020 East Central Board Meeting.
Chris Billstrom, Noe Smart, Mike Jones, Mike Buman

Referee Mentorship in East Central

Establishment of an Official East Central Referee Mentoring Program

- East Central has established a mentoring program at the Academy event weekends.
- Chris Billstrom suggest that East Central take ownership of this program and let WYSA know that this is how our district wants to proceed.
- Currently East Central has two dates set up to do mentoring on Academy weekends. Locations have not been set. If clubs want to host a mentoring program they can reach out to Mike Jones to get it set up.

Motion: East Central should use the refereeing mentoring program as a district program to benefit all clubs. East Central will request the money from WYSA to help facility East Central District wide referee mentoring program. If clubs want to have a referee mentoring event in their area they should contact the East Central Referee Commissioner to facilitate it. Motion was made by Mike Buman(HOV) and seconded by Mike Jones (Neenah)

Motion passed

Tryout policy change

For teams only playing in East Central classic league

East Central District can request an exemption for all clubs that are forming a combined a 14U/15U team, to extend offers to 15U players at the same time as 14U players.

Jay DeBruin will contact WYSA and request this rule for East Central clubs

East Central League Scheduling

- Review Scheduling dates in document attached

Coaching Clinic

- Check website for classes
- Y1 courses Seymour (3/31) and Kimberly (4/23)

Upcoming Events

- Saturday, February 29, 2020 - Women in Soccer Symposium
- Saturday, March 14, 2020 – WYSA AGM
- Monday, March 16, 2020 - East Central All Club Meeting
- Saturday, March 21, 2020 – First Draft of East Central Classic Schedule
- Sunday, March 29, 2020 – Final Scheduling Meeting
- Week of May 3, 2020 – Games Begin

Adjourned at 8:53 PM

Respectfully submitted by

Sue Ann Evers

East Central Director of Operations



East Central Region (004)
Monthly Financial Report

Committee: Treasurer
Membership: Noe Smart (smart.noe@yahoo.com)
Purpose: Management of East Central District Budget and Daily Financial Operations
Date Submitted: February 24, 2020

1. Bank and Checking Account Information

a.	Bank Statement Balance ending February 24, 2020	\$7,246.93
b.	Bank Account - Associated Bank: Business Deposit Account – Non-Profit Community Choice 250	
c.	Checkbook Balance as of February 16, 2020	\$6,217.00
i.	Referee Mentoring Project as of May 20, 2019	
1.	Approved at Dec 5, 2015 EC Meeting	\$7,000.00
2.	Revenue	\$200.00
3.	Expenses	\$2,985.00
4.	Project Balance	\$4,215.00

2. CD owned by East Central District

- a. 6 Month CD (Original Amount \$10,000.00) Renewal Amount: \$10,520.69
 - i. Purchase Date: Sept 8, 2007 Renewal Maturity Date: March 8, 2020
 - ii. Interest Rate/APY .10%/ .10%; Interest Payment Method: Quarterly from Issue plus Capitalized; Auto Renewal
 - iii. Outstanding amount for Rec and Adult Programs \$7,922.29; remaining balance to East Central General Funds when cashed in.
 - iv. Associated Bank CD Special 7 month 1.44%/1.45%
 - v. Capital Credit Union CD Special 12 month 2.08%/2.10%
- b. 12 Month CD (Original Amount \$10,000.00) Renewal Amount: \$10,744.09
 - i. Purchase Date: Sept 8, 2007 Renewal Maturity Date: September 8, 2020
 - ii. Interest Rate/APY .10%/ .10% Interest Payment Method: Quarterly from Issue plus Capitalized; Auto Renewal
 - iii. Outstanding amount for TOP Soccer Programs \$9,851.00; remaining balance to East Central General Funds when cashed in.
 - iv. Associated Bank CD Special 7 month 1.44%/1.45%
 - v. Capital Credit Union CD Special 12 month 2.08%/2.10%

3. Inventory

- a. Domain Names Owned
 - i. ecdsoccer.org and ecdsoccer.com
 - 1. Registered with Network Solutions; Expires February 17, 2025
 - ii. eastcentralsoccer.org and eastcentralsoccer.com
 - 1. Registered with Network Solutions; Expires February 17, 2025
- b. Web Site Hosted by
 - i. Demosphere as of Jan 21, 2019
 - ii. Service fee paid on Feb 14, 2020
- c. Equipment
 - i. Optoma PRO360W 3D-Capable DLP Multimedia Projector, 3000 Lumens, 3000:1 Contrast Ratio
 - ii. 12' HDMI Cable
 - iii. N600 Wireless DB Router

4. Missed Meeting Reports

- a. See document – EC_MissedMeetings-2018-2019-20191214.pdf

5. Player Fees for 2019-2020

- a. Same as 2018-2019 Player Fees

6. Player Fees for 2018-2019

a.	Player Fees		
i.	Recreational U7-U19:	\$4.35	(\$3.07)
ii.	Recreational U3-U6:	\$3.00	(\$0.00)
iii.	Classic:	\$7.50	(\$6.14)
iv.	Adult:	\$3.75	(\$3.07)



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- v. TOP Soccer: \$0.00 (\$0.00)
 - b. Invoice dates – February 2020 and July 2020.
 - c. Counts as of July 28, 2019
 - d. Total Number of Players: **7,576**
 - i. Recreational Players – U3 to U6: 583
 - ii. Recreational Players – U7 to U19: 1,949
 - iii. Academy: 979
 - iv. Classic Players: 3,778
 - v. Adult Players: 247
 - vi. TOP Players (under review): 40
 - 7. Player Count for 2017-2018
 - a. Total Number of Players (Player Fees): **8,004**
 - 1. Recreational Players: 4,015 (\$3.07)
 - 2. Classic Players: 3,790 (\$6.14)
 - 3. Adult Players: 156 (\$3.07)
 - 4. TOP Players: 43 (\$0.00)
 - b. Number of Clubs with Registered Players/Teams in EC League: 22/21
 - 8. Player Count for 2016-2017
 - a. Number of Clubs with Registered Players: 23
 - b. Total Number of Players (Player Fees): **8,805** (2015-2016: **7,682**)
 - i. Recreational Players: 4,490 (\$2.93) (2015-2016: 3,360)
 - ii. Classic Players: 3,993 (\$5.85) (2015-2016: 4,066)
 - iii. Adult Players: 287 (\$2.93) (2015-2016: 215)
 - iv. TOP Players: 35 (\$0.00) (2015-2016: 41)
 - 9. Future Action Items
 - a. Feb 25, 2020 Send out remaining invoices to clubs from July 2019
 - b. March 1, 2020 2019-2020 EC Player Fees – Mid-year invoice will be set to Club Treasurer via e-mail
 - c. Mar 1, 2020 Review 6 month CD.
 - d. July 1, 2020 2019-2020 EC Player Fees - Final invoice will be sent to Club Treasurer via e-mail.
 - e. Sept 1, 2020 Review 12 month CD
 - 10. Requesting reimbursement
 - a. Documentation reimbursement
 - i. Copy of Invoice(s), sales receipt(s), etc to show proof that amount requesting is for East Central business. Make sure the total amount to reimburse is clearly marked.
 - ii. If no Invoice you will need a copy of the check or credit card statement with the following information in a supporting documents
 - 1. Vendor name , full address and phone number
 - 2. Date, Amount and Reason for each item Purchase
 - 3. Description of supporting documentation (credit card statement, check, etc)
 - 4. Sum of items purchased that needs to be reimbursed
 - b. With the documentation put the Payee name and address to send the check to
 - c. You can mail or email (Preferred method) supporting documents for reimbursement to
 - i. Email: smart.noe@yahoo.com
Subject: East Central Reimbursement – [your name]
 - ii. Mail: East Central District, P.O. Box 143, Kimberly, WI 54136
 - iii. Phone Number: 920.475.7888 (cell)
 - 11. Player History
 - a. Request to see document - EC_Membership_YearlyBreakdown.pdf
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Date: February 17, 2020

Area: TOPS

Commissioner: Wayne Stoflet

E-Mail: wdstoflet@new.rr.com

Report:

FOX VALLEY TOPS winter session concluded, February 15. We now have a total of 23 registered players for this year. During the winter session we again had a group of male & female players from Lawrence U. assisting along with high school students from Kimberly & Little Chute. The Spring session will be held Saturdays April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2 & 9.

HOWARD FC will hold their winter TOPS February 15, 22 & 29. Armando & Matt

BAY AREA TOPS (Ashwaubenon) - Preparations are being made for the spring session. Jeff Jones

WATER CITIES/OSHKOSH YMCA – I assume this group is in session or setting up plans for the spring.

Action:



- Referee recert clinics & entry level clinics are still going on. Turnouts have been good so far as classes are filling up quickly.
- Need clubs to start promoting referee on their website. Unfortunately, only 9 of the 22 clubs have something on their site” (DePere, Electric City, Kiel, KASA, FC Menasha, Neenah, Bew Holstein, NEW United, TASK). If you don't see your club listed, you don't have any referee information on your site (at least that I could find). If you would like to know more on how to go about getting something, please contact me. I can help/make suggestions.
- Have worked with local instructors in updating the modified rules found on the East Central Website. Sue Ann, thank you for your work on this also in getting them updated.
- Worked with Sue Ann and a friend to create an ad to hopefully get more referees to sign up.



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SOCCER DISTRICT

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learning.ussoccer.com

The advertisement features a young woman with long brown hair, wearing a yellow polo shirt with a circular logo on the chest that reads "U.S. SOCCER FEDERATION EAST CENTRAL". She is holding a yellow referee's whistle. The background is dark with a soccer ball pattern. The text is in white and yellow, with the main headline in large, bold, white letters. At the bottom, there is a yellow banner with the website address in black text.

WYSA SECL, WDA & State League Game Day Protocol

Expectations of Club & Team	Expectations of Referee
<p>Teams MUST submit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A validated WYSA/USYSA League roster. 2. Current year, validated, laminated player passes. Club passed players also must provide a copy of his/her original team roster. 3. Un-Expired coach's pass. 4. Proper referee payment prior to the start of the game. 	<p>Referees will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be currently registered with the US Soccer. 2. Have a working knowledge of the Laws of the Game and league rules. 3. Be professional in attitude and effort. 4. Report scores and incident reports in GameOfficials within 24 hrs of game completion.

Player Passes

- No pass = **NO PLAY!**
- No photo on pass = **NO PLAY!** *NOTE, 10U players club passed to 11U may not have photos – allow the 10U player to play and note on incident report.*
- Compare picture to face. If any photo is not up to date, submit an incident report.
- Check player birthdate on pass. Younger is ok. Older is NOT ok.
- Verify name on pass matches name on the roster.
- All players club passing must provide a pass, as well as a copy of the roster from their original team. These players' names will also be written/typed on the game day roster. Note this on incident report.

Coach's Pass

- ALL coaches are to present Coach's pass.
- Compare photo to face.
- Make note of the Coach's License Level. If not the proper level (chart below) file an incident report.

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SECL	Compliant 2 (11U-19U)	
WDA	Compliant 1 (11U-14U)	
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Roster

- MAXIMUM of 18 players can be game active for 13U-18U.
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Date: 2/12/2020
Area: East Central Adult League
Commissioner: Vicki King
E-Mail: admin@appletonsoccerclub.com

Report:

Adult League Registration – working on getting registration open for the Spring 2020 season.
Adult Fees for 2019/2020 season:

- WSL -\$28.00
- East Central \$3.75

Action:

In communication with the new league administrator. Working on a meeting with the league administrator to have registration set up for East Central.



East Central Academy Meeting Minutes
 Kimberly Municipal Complex
 515 W. Kimberly Ave.
 Kimberly, WI 54136
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 Room: Aspen/Birch

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Kimberly	Evan Paradiso	EC Academy Comm.	Sean Breitzman
Menasha	Kevin Otto	EC Director of Operations	Sue Ann Evers

Introductions around the room

Grievances/Accolades from previous season

- Fall 2019 was a wet season
- Notices from clubs went out promptly about upcoming events and was helpful
- Overall the group thought the season went well.
- Mega Date.
 - Parents and players do not like the long day and some families could be at the event as late as 4 PM
 - Not enough referees to cover the event
 - What is in the best interest of the kids? Kids love the Mega Date, but the parents and coaches do not like the long day.
 - Fall Mega Date is more of an issue finding referees. Possible ideas:
 - East Central holds the Mega Date, but does not schedule referees
 - Concern about safety if the game is not being managed by a referee
 - Referees keep the games running on time
 - Site facilitator- If we do not have referees at the Fall Mega date, there should have a person in charge of the event to keep things running smoothly.
 - Instead of a center and two side referees, maybe just a center and the coach steps-in to help with game management

- Because of a reduced number of referees in the East Central Referee pool, a pilot program was suggested to reduced referee staff for each game at the Spring Mega Date
 - ✚ It was decided that only one referee will be scheduled to center 10U games at the Mega Date
 - ✚ If a referee does not show up for their game, each coach referees from the sideline for just their team

Referee Mentoring at Academy Events

- Mentoring program was very successful and the mentored referees showed improvement
- Mike Jones would like two mentoring dates for the Spring Academy Events
 - May 2, 2020
 - June 27, 2020
- Mentors should be versed on East Central Academy Rules
 - Mike suggested a mentoring meeting to make sure everyone know the rules
- Games will be scheduled 1:15 apart for mentoring dates. All other events will have games scheduled 1 hour apart.

Behavior of Parents and/or Coaches

- Team Coach took care of any parents not following code of conduct
- Reminder that new coaches may not understand all of the academy rules. Other coaches should give them some time to understand the rules.

New rule concerning the goal kick

- Discussion as to the need of the buildout line
 - Difficult to call off sides without it
 - Buildout lines for practice gives players a visual point
 - 8U players find the buildout line helpful for training
 - Players need to back up for goalkeeper release

Addressing teams that are unevenly matched at Academy events

- Before the day of the event
 - Teams can be adjusted by moving players
 - Contact the other team and ask the team to adjustment players
 - Issue some parents do not want to change game time
- At the game
 - Ask opposing coach to swap some players with your team
- We need open lines of communication between the clubs to have competitive games.

Spring Dates

Scheduling Time Line

- March 28, 2020 application deadline
- March 30, 2020 First Phase draft - Week 1
- April 1, 2020 First Phase revisions
- April 3, 2020 First Phase schedule posted
- April 4, 2020 Second Phase Draft Weeks 2-8
- April 9, 2020 Second Phase revisions
- April 12, 2020 is Easter
- April 14, 2020 Entire Schedule posted Weeks 1-8

Academy Events – Eight scheduled events

- May 2, 2020 – Referee Mentoring
- May 9, 2020
- May 16, 2020
- May 30, 2020
- June 6, 2020 – MEGA Date Howard
- June 13, 2020
- June 20, 2020
- June 27, 2020 – Referee Mentoring

Hosting clubs should be sending out a Tuesday email to clubs attending their events to review schedule. Field maps are greatly appreciated by the parents. Make sure that you copy Sean and Sue Ann on all communications sent out.

Setting Regulations/requirements for having an academy

- A discussion about how East Central Academy program should be run and standards for clubs being in the program.
 - With so many unique clubs and the variance in size and location it was decided it would be difficult to set up strict requirements.
- Sean is available to training to help clubs that with their academy program. Likewise, WYSA coaching staff Craig and Jim will come to your club for training.
- It was also suggested that East Central create a website page similar to a coach's corner where coaches can see sample training programs, best practices, other resources, etc. Sean will create the information to be placed on this page.

Respectfully submitted by,

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East Central League -Summer 2020

Start Dates for East Central Leagues

Classic- Weeks of games	Classic- 15UG/19UG Weeks of games	Recreational – Weeks of games	Academy- Saturday Morning Games	Adult – Sunday late afternoon games
8 Games	8 Games	10 Games	8 Games	8 Games
May 3, 2020			May 2, 2020	
May 10, 2020		May 10, 2020	May 9, 2020	
May 17, 2020		May 17, 2020	May 16, 2020	
May 24, 2020		May 24, 2020	N0-Event Memorial Weekend	
May 31, 2020		May 31, 2020	May 30, 2020	May 31, 2020
June 7, 2020	June 7, 2020	June 7, 2020	June 6, 2020	June 7, 2020
June 14, 2020	June 14, 2020	June 14, 2020	June 13, 2020	June 14, 2020
June 21, 2020	June 21, 2020	June 21, 2020	June 20, 2020	June 21, 2020
	June 28, 2020	June 28, 2020	June 27, 2019	June 28, 2020
	July 3- 5 2020 Fourth of July Break	July 3- 5 2020 Fourth of July Break		July 5 2020 – Fourth of July Break
	July 6, 2020	July 6, 2020		
	July 12, 2020	July 12, 2020		July 12, 2020
	July 19, 2020	July 19, 2020		July 19, 2020
	July 26, 2020			July 26 2020
	*Note there will some weeks where two games are played to get in 8 games			

***Combination 14U/15U Girls playing 15U Girls date of play**

****Recreational 16U-19U and Classic boys team 15U-19U will start the season paying on Sunday May 3 late afternoon games. During the week of June 7, teams will also start playing weekday games. The full game duration will be played for all of these games.**

Scheduling Dates

February 1, 2020 – Update or add fields/permits in Demosphere

Classic 11U-19U boys, 11U – 14U Girls

- March 9, 2020 team application deadline
- March 10, 2020 a complete list of teams will be forwarded to all clubs for review prior to team placement meeting.
- March 16, 2020 All Club Board Meeting, then team placement meeting
- March 21, 2020 first draft of schedule.
- April 6, 2019 final scheduling meeting. *A face to face meeting to work out final scheduling issues. **Location Kimberly High School LMC by windows***
- April 13, 2020 schedule goes live
- May 3, 2020 First week of games

Recreational Teams

- March 27, 2020 team application deadline
- March 29, 2020 recreational schedule available
- April 6, 2020 final scheduling meeting. *Face to face meeting to workout final scheduling issues. **Location Kimberly High School LMC by windows***
- April 13, 2020 schedule goes live
- May 10, 2020 First week of games

Classic 15U-19U Girls

- May 13, 2020 team application deadline
- May 14, 2020 team placement
- May 16, 2020 schedule ready for review
- May 23, 2020 final changes for schedule
- May 24, 2020 schedule goes live.
- June 7, 2020 First week of games

Academy

- March 28, 2020 team applications due
- March 30, 2020 first phase draft of schedule – Week 1
- April 1, 2020 first phase revision – Week 1
- April 3, 2020 first phase schedule posted – Week 1
- April 4, 2020 second phase draft of schedule Weeks 2-8
- April 9, 2020 second phase revision – Weeks 2-8
- April 14, 2020 entire schedule posted Weeks 1-8
- May 2, 2020 first academy event

Adult

- May 10, 2020 team application deadline
- May 17, 2020 schedule goes live
- May 31, 2020 first week of games