August Board Meeting – August 12, 2019

Attending: Shirley Cubanski (via phone), Susan Hedge, Jason Tenner, Adele DeCrescenzo, Tina Lindheimer, Dawn McCarthy, Kyle Quinn, Christine Fox, Ryan Shaw, Steve Gordon, Kemp Bundy and Wendy Blatchford

- Bank Account Statements...Leslie Lawrence and Manik Jassal are still listed on the accounts but are no longer on the Board. Christine Fox needs to be listed as the new Club President and Susan Hedge as the new Treasurer. These accounts are the effected ones...Savings #0336, Registrar #1854, and Rec #2280.
- 2. Approval of Board Minutes...Adele motions to approve, Tina 2nds, all in favor.
- 3. CDYSL Annual General Meeting...By-law change about if you have no votes, then you should only have to attend the AGM rather than be fined...Tina will vote to approve at the Oct meeting. Zero tolerance will be more highly enforced...plan to let the managers know that the May Day Zero Tolerance will need to be read at the start of each spring game. Rec soccer registrations will now need to be run thru CDYSL in order to be covered by US Youth soccer insurance. CDYSL wants to make sure that scores are not run up in games...so if your team is doing this, play up a division.
- 4. Member Business...parent request for more GK training, to have it start before the typical November deadline. Is Jeff Gold available to do this? Ed Cubanski might be available to do this.
- 5. Financials...We have \$1532 in spring fines due to game cancellations. One team incurred most of these fines due to emergency situations that the coach had. One solution is that an email should go out to all the coaches when an emergency happens to see who can cover the game. Another solution would be to get the bill earlier before the team dissolves for the summer.
- 6. Financials (cont.)...We still owe money to Dennis Ward (about \$13,000) and Susan would like to pay this out in a few payments...Susan motions, Tina seconds, all in favor.
- 7. Financials (cont.)...looking at the budget statement, the fees we collect should cover the expenses going out with the tournaments/fundraising being for emergency situations. Tina doesn't feel that the EDP numbers are correct and it doesn't seem that all of our fees are covered. Ryan said the DOC column covers Jason, Kyle and Peter so the heading needs to be corrected to say \$12,500 which covers all three. The net negative number means we would need to increase our club fees or cut programs...which is not feasible...so we must rely upon our tournaments/fundraising to offset this cost.
- 8. Financials (cont.)...CDYSL fees are increasing for team commitments which will cost our club around \$2,000 more. The club will need to absorb these costs this year.
- 9. Financials (cont.)...Tina has a question about how the EDP funds are being collected. Is it set up correctly? Tina asked to be included in the EDP conversations and was not invited to a single meeting...which makes setting up the registration difficult.
- 10. Team Managers...About ¾ of the team managers are placed and have started on their To-Do lists. If there is no manager, the coach will email the team for volunteers. Wendy has a question about how to do managers for the NY Storm, should it be one manager for Select 1 and NY Storm?? Ryan said that the coaches will take care of managing the

Storm teams. Also, if we are going to require the managers to volunteer for May Day then it should be a flat discount of \$500 for all managers.

- 11. Patrick O'Keefe...he is doing Technical Training for Boys U16+. When Adele questioned why no Technical Training was offered for that age group, she was told that no one volunteered. Joe Powers volunteered to run TT for the older girls group for free. Last year Kyle did TT training for this age group. When the TT training was communicated for this year, the appearance was that the group was being slighted. We need to be more focused on offering BOTH boys and girls equal training and if it doesn't/can't happen, we need to communicate better why it didn't happen. The messaging needs to be better.
- 12. CDYSL trophies...this year the trophies are TEAM trophies rather than the individual ones usually given. Christine will post on Facebook the results of the spring season wins by our teams.
- 13. Registrar's Report...All rec and travel registrations will now go thru CDYSL. As long as rec is under SWSC, it will be effected by this new rule. It will cost \$10 per player plus coach background check expenses. We cannot change fall rec at this point, but will need to address the increase for spring rec.
- 14. Registrar's Report...CDYSL has also increased several other fees. If you move a player, a new pass will increase from \$2 to \$25. If you guest a player, the fee will increase from \$5 to \$25. Team commitments are going from \$110 to \$125. Player costs are now \$35 instead of \$30.50....or pay a max roster cost of \$675-825 depending upon your roster size which allows for easier player movement. CDYSL is moving to a new registration platform, probably next year.
- 15. Rec (Kyle Quinn)...registrations are going well. He is projecting 300 for fall (we had 350 last fall) but expects more than that. Older groups will have player placements and refs...he is looking for volunteer refs, 3 per Saturday, from the U14+ travel teams. He needs some volunteers for opening day which is September 7th. He will ask Gavin Park that the porta potties we pay for be placed only on soccer fields and that they line the U10 fields as well as the older team fields. Travel coaches need to remember to return goals.
- 16. Winter practice scheduling (Kyle)...Dorothy Nolan cannot be realistically used as availability is spotty. He has requested time in the Middle School gyms but not sure what we will get. YMCA we have time reserved from 6:30 9:00 pm. Saratoga Rec center will open reservations mid-August. The Adk Dome has room for us and we could expand our time there. We will also have Charbs space. He is waiting for the schools to respond to his reservations.
- 17. Coerver (Kyle)...he is waiting to hear on these dates from Coerver.
- 18. Fall Ball...we planned on paying for their registration fees this year, which would run \$2-3K, but we don't think we can afford it. Last year teams paid for their own fall fees. So we will let teams pay their fall fees again this year but look toward including it into the budget for next year. Tina needs info to her by August 20th.
- 19. DOC...Recruiting issues...Jason is having a problem finding coaches for all of our teams. Players are coming to us but it's harder to get coaches here. We have 1 ½ teams that still need coaches. Kyle suggests that we advertise for coaches. Jason suggests that we

poll the parents for a volunteer coach and then drop the fees for that team because they would not have a professional coach. Kyle thinks he might be able to get a rec coach to cover the teams. We could also host a coach in-person training which might result in more coaches. Tina suggests that we need a committee to address the recruiting/retaining coaches issue...Kyle offers to head the committee, Tina, Wendy and Christine Fox volunteer to be on the committee.

- 20. DOC training requests...Jason would like to have \$500 for the online training program. Kyle motions, Jason seconds, all in favor.
- 21. NY Storm Update...the program was designed to retain players. We have about 75 players participating. Guest players show a charge of \$500...but Jason explained that this includes training and an EDP game. Tina feels that there should be a Ballston Spa rep at any of our meetings that discuss NY Storm and that there needs to be written agreement. Shirley would like to see documentation on the NY Storm...as decisions are made, they should be documented. As decisions are made, Jason will email those out to the Board for approval/suggestions...when a decision if finalized, it will be placed in a working document. Christine volunteers to be in on NY Storm meetings.
- 22. Wendy motions to adjourn, Tina seconds, all in favor.

Upcoming Meeting Dates: Sept 16....3rd Monday October 14 November 11 December 9 January 13 February 10 March 9 April 20....3rd Monday May 11 June 8