

Board Meeting 3/6/2017

Attending: Amy Siewert, Christina Lindheimer, Les Lawrence, Juan Garzon, Peter MacDonald, Kemp Bundy, Ryan Shaw, Jason Tenner, Wendy Blatchford, Shirley Cagle-Cubanski, Anjie Emeka, Maureen Delnicki, Rob Blunt, Manik Jassal, Dennis Ward, Christine McMaster, Glynn Chilton

1. Club member items –
2. Financial report/accounting – did not get group budget meeting. Ryan and Les did get together to go over the numbers. Les was using 1 month's income instead of the entire year so looks like we might break even. Charbs is going to discuss forgiving us 2 month's rent for the investments we have made in the facility and damage to our turf b/c of the roof leaks. That would give us enough money to cover us until August.
3. DOC reports
 - a. Boys - Juan – got all teams registered ENYPL and CDYSL. We will see how ENYPL goes as there have been complaints about the travel mainly from the U15s. Not sure how we are going to hold on the U10 side...some were just playing fall, only have 8 rostered for outdoors...need to recruit more at that age. Have received great interest at the U12 level.
 - i. Maureen mentioned open house and focus on coaches/DOCs being present at rec soccer. Juan would like to get into the schools and offer a free one day clinic. Dennis would like someone to work with him closely who he can ultimately transition the responsibility of rec soccer to. Have to be available to be face to face with Gavin staff, get field ready, improving the program. Club would like coaches to help with rec practice Wednesdays 530-6...at least 1-2 coaches present during that time. Juan, Jason and Dennis can work together to schedule coaches to help with Wednesdays. Christina, Maureen, Wendy, Shirley, Vi will work with group to organize some sort of Saturday information table with coffee available. Maureen will help Juan with getting in touch with the schools. We also have the road signs we can put out April 1 to help recruit.
 - ii. Juan would like to do a 10 week academy program to help get those kids who aren't sure or aren't ready for travel.
 - iii. There is still room to add players on the boys' side. There are players coming in to the club now and being placed immediately on the Select instead of starting at the Competitive level and then being moved up. We have a policy in place and it's not being followed. The player can come in and practice with both...but we have to show all our players that the incoming player was evaluated.
 - b. Girls – Jason – On a similar note the girls' coaches met and plan on helping at Wed rec and possibly having teams demo the ability of our teams. They've already started talking about next year's coaching placements. Working on some communication guidelines, moving players, things like that. Took a bus of 112 people this past weekend to Red Bull Stadium to see professional women's teams. U19 Competitive has folded, a few teams moved to the Select team. U14 and U16 teams were denied access to the Thruway League...no one from western NY wants to travel here. They tried to scramble and register ENYPL but were denied. They are playing CDYSL (an age up).

- c. Letter from parent of U19 Competitive who when the team was dismantled, player was moved to Select. We have rectified the financial situation (when the player was moved, they were automatically charged the additional cost of the Select team...was just an automated error). Not sure if there is anything we could do...we tried to recruit for the Competitive team but were unsuccessful in putting a team together. Amy to send response to this family.
4. Registrar's Report – down 7 boys and 26 girls from last year but that does not take into consideration that doesn't take into account players that have left after registering. Picked up 8 in Dec, Jan down 1. Reminder for outstanding balances going out this week (same message regarding player passes being pulled for balances and no bond checks).
5. Club Calendar
 - 3/1 Payment #6 due
 - 3/1 May Day Bond Checks due
 - 3/1 Notify all seniors in club of Paul Brock Scholarship (changing to 4/17) \$250 from someone that Dan Cogan collected from, \$500 from United, Tina's employer...so we just need another \$250 to fundraise
 - 3/1-3/31 CDYSL freeze
 - 3/1-4/30 Session 3 indoor Sportsplex & Afrim's
 - 3/6 Board meeting at Harvey's
 - 3/11 Mandatory CDYSL coaches meeting
 - 3/xx List of any player that has not turned in bond check to be reported to Registrar and player passes pulled from coaches
 - 3/13 CDYSL Opening of FREE rescheduling period
 - 3/15 Recreation soccer – order "stuff"
 - 3/16 ENYPL rosters frozen
 - 3/19 CDYSL coaches workshop
 - 3/20-3/27 CDYSL Guest team passes and rosters to be submitted
 - 3/26 CDYSL last day for FREE reschedule
 - 3/27 CDYSL regular rescheduling period begins (fees may apply)
 - 3/31 List of any player with an outstanding balance to be reported to Registrar and player passes to be pulled from coaches
6. Website update – Maureen still working on finalizing some of the format. Once it's set, she would like to relinquish the website maintenance/updating to someone else.
7. Indoor facility update – (some mentioned in budget). Emailed specific size of facility requirements to Gavin. Also, still in touch with Pinnacle – lot of great ideas. They want a \$5k retainer initially and fees go up and the process moves closer to the project completion. Call scheduled with them later this month.
8. Fundraising – Playbook ready to roll out April 8 and 9. There will be mandatory meeting for coaches and managers to help roll out. Also discuss potential fundraising dinner/banquet. Approached Longfellow's but they shot down our proposal. Les will be sending out a letter to give parents a heads up on the playbook. Maureen can add a thermometer to track the fundraising progress.
9. May Day Tournament – did open registration a month earlier. 35 teams registered so far. Early registration closes March 24. There will be another email blast going out mid-March. Doing other fundraising activities at May Day; basket raffle, 50/50, shoot out, speed gun, sponsorship options. Need board presence there throughout the weekend to help with various things...will send out a sign up.

10. Irish team cancellation – Irish football association told them they can't spend that amount of money for 5 games. We still want to do an open house June 3rd.
11. Charb roof leaks – they are working on the roof on nice days (hasn't been fully tested yet) but they are making progress.
12. New board members – Christina moves that Ryan Shaw, Shirley Cagle-Cubanski become new board members, Maureen seconds, all in favor.
13. Approval of Feb meeting minutes – Christine motions, Tina 2nds to approve Feb meeting minutes.
14. Academies – not enough numbers in Stillwater – so closed. A few in Schuylerville. Will keep it open until March 20. Should come up with dates now for the fall so that we can advertise in advance...Juan would like to do the same as last year.
15. Showball tournament/Charbs week of 4/17 – registration is open.
16. Upcoming board meetings 4/3, 5/1, 6/5. Christine motions to adjourn, Maureen 2nds, all in favor.