

Board Meeting – Jan 14, 2019

Attending: Kyle Quinn, Susan Hedge, Ryan Shaw, Jason Tenner, Shirley Cubanski, Candice Murray, Rob Blunt, Adele DeCrescenzo, Christine Fox, Tina Lindheimer and Wendy Blatchford

1. New member business...Nothing new
2. Approval of Board Minutes...Shirley motions to approve, Tina 2nds, all in favor.
3. Financials...Cash is steady. We received a \$1,000 grant from Target and two May Day banner sponsorships have come in so far. Tina motions to accept, Shirley seconds, all in favor.
4. Registrar...Registrations look good and steady. BU16 Select will be going EDP. BU14 Comp needs one more player to be able to send the roster to CDYSL.
5. CDYSL moved the date that team commitments are due. CDYSL will be big on Zero Tolerance this year, but a form must be completed for complaints. They want us to make sure parents are aware of the enforced zero tolerance, particularly at U10 and U12. For U8s, they want to use Monday nights as a backup game night. They have about 240 refs for 2,000 games and the youngest refs will be placed at U8-U12. Two new clubs coming into CDYSL...Delaware and Oneonta...and Valley will be the middle game field. The Empire Cup will now take place the weekend of April 12-14 and hosted by Afrim's at their new outdoor park. Next CDYSL meeting is Feb 14th.
6. Fundraising...Playbooks are good to go and Kemp will be working on this in February. The May Day committee would like to have a Fundraising Committee formed and move the banner sponsorship to that new committee. They believe that more sponsorships would result if the committee focused on finding out when fiscal years start for the various companies.
7. DOC....Session 1 went very well for our teams. Both U10 boys and girls are close to be able to form a third team and G U16 Comp is also full. Charbs is almost fully booked. Commitments to CDYSL are in progress. Kyle and Miguel started the Winter Academy program and have 30 participants...mostly rec players...which is excellent and we plan to break even. Coerver Camp will be July 8-12 from 9 am – noon and it will not conflict with Skidmore's soccer camp. Jason plans to put together a process for bringing on Asst Coaches so they are covered.
8. YMCA has been juggling our practice schedule but it is working out.
9. Rec program...Feb 1st registration will open. Price will be the same. Kyle wants to integrate the club more so he plans to have some of our coaches there to help out. And he plans to offer training to the volunteer coaches. Kyle is looking at ways to save money...maybe doing t-shirts instead of jerseys, do we continue to offer soccer balls to every player, do we look for a cheaper ball, deduct ball cost from the registration fee if they choose not to get a ball, etc.
10. Charbs...we have a lease in development for our rentals. Fire inspection was done on Friday and we passed. We have a team that wants soccer decorations be hung and left out...maybe decals....and Christine is looking into that.
11. Marketing...Newsletter went out. It looked amazing and had 135 openings. Christine will set up a Google share for the next newsletter.

12. Dine to Donate...this month it will be at Red Robin on the 16th. Managers were asked to share with parents and put on TeamSnap for sharing as well as encouraged to use Dine to Donates for team bonding. We don't know the Five Guys result yet. Still no word on Ninety Nine for Feb's Dine to Donate so we will drop February and pick up again in March.
13. Apparel...the training apparel is on the soccer.com site. A more reasonably priced jacket is being requested...something in the \$35-40 range. Maybe this could be a fundraiser for the club...optional, but offered at a decent price.
14. Jingle Bell Cup... The tournament has been sent to GotSoccer's ranking department and we are waiting on a decision as to whether it will be ranked or not.
15. May Day...We are not yet ranked and we will go thru the same process as the JBC to determine ranking after the tournament is over. Because we are hosting at least one Canadian team, we have to go thru an application to host foreign teams process...Wendy is working on this. Kyle brought up the idea of making it a Patch tournament...maybe for next year. We are still waiting for confirmation on the use of the Malta fields. If we are turned down there, we do have a backup plan. We are planning on renting Gavin Park for the entire day on Sunday to prevent CDYSL games being scheduled there and asking all of our teams to make sure they have no games on May Day weekend (reschedule them during the 2-week free rescheduling period).
16. Planning Meeting...We are looking at having a planning meeting for the 2019-2020 year at our next Board meeting. We will do an abbreviated Board meeting on Feb 11th and then have the planning meeting.
17. Susan motions to adjourn, Adele seconds, all in favor.