

**Mentor Soccer Club
Board Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2016**

In Attendance:

Chris Andreano
Scott Brown
Aldo Lucrezi
Mark Sobonya
Brian Penkowski
Missy Read
Jeff Petro
Margaret Brown
Ken Werner
Jim Buchan
Marissa Rogenthein
Len Kostaka

Absent:

Chrystal Poling
Amy Freeman

7:01 pm call to order.

Meeting Minutes

Approval of February meeting minutes – 7 for 0 against. Meeting Minutes approved

Finance / Treasurer's Report

Finance committee still working on tournament coach pay - shortening the document
Relatively slow time of year, so not much new is happening.
- New budget workbook is complete for outdoor Wave and Rec. Will begin working with Missy and Amy to begin estimates for modeling fees for the upcoming year.
- Aldo and Len will begin the next revision of the proposed Tournament Pay Policy for coaches.

Submit to OYSAN all registered player names
State and Travel fees paid

Committee Updates

Comm/PR

Communications report:
Getting price for two new open registration banners. Wording needs to change with new birth year information.
Blue Sombero (Dick's) store on our website is done and being reviewed. Sending out email to announce it once complete. We get 7.5% for every sale.
Missy sent me middle school newsletter, will reach out to schools to see if we can get ad in newsletters around open enrollment.

Anything for newsletter, please get to me by Thursday Feb 11th.

Coaching

Coach meeting with Tom Turner – D & E license: All Wave coaches have to have D or E license

U10/12 License class in August

Rec Report

Got the email from Dick's Team Sport HQ- great idea, good options on there for rec, too.

Apparel at tournament: Is the cost of the recent apparel order really an expense of the tournament? We have a separate line item in the budget for purchasing apparel. The new rec tees were great! We sold out of the raspberry in the youth sizes. Girls loved it, and boys were buying it as a goalie shirt.

The rec skills clinic at the tournament was a great idea.

Photography: I hear that Lake Photography is coming to the meeting tonight- and I will be disappointed to miss that. Chrystal and I both spoke with the photographer at the tourney and heard some of his ideas.

Our rec kick off day went well this year, and I would like to continue to do pictures on a day where we don't have games, and do something similar to last year (spirit wear, some type of snacks or ice cream, etc.)

I did not get to ask him about pricing for picture day packages. We need a very affordable, ground level option for parents in whatever packages/pricing he puts together. I do not want to start using pictures as a fundraiser (have packages marked up and give the club a cut), and I don't want families to be priced-out of the picture day experience. Aldo mentioned benches and ladders at the tournament. The usual process, at least on the rec side, is that Chrystal or I would personally pay for the equipment, and then seek reimbursement from the Club. Epic Sports seems to have the best pricing right now, even with the shipping cost. We will need to order 3 new benches for spring for rec, so we should combine the orders to help with shipping costs.

Kohl's has a community partners program where we could get a \$500 donation. I am going to get that process started.

Wave Report

I let everyone know about the OHTSL (Travel) league meeting I attended. They are bending the mandates coming out, but we have to go with them since the State League is enforcing all of them. For example, the field sizes will be the new size. It would be too difficult to schedule games based on field dimensions for each league. We also are going with Birth Year to create Wave rosters for next year. We will send out more communications for the parents, and I will ask team managers if they would like myself and/or Jim to come and talk with their parents. It seems like when I am face to face with parents they understand it better.

Jim and I are going to coordinate at least 2 practices during the month of May based on Birth Year only for each age group. I think it will help parents get a good look at what it will be like next year, plus it will give coaches more insight as to what is coming down the pipeline. The more face time our coaches have with new players, the better the assessment. Also, if we have parents on the fence on where to have their child tryout,

this might help them as well. We are going to encourage players to try out by birth year, and have come up with a protocol for those who choose to try out up a year. There is going to be a LOT of change next year, but I know we will get through it. :)

Ken attended a State League meeting and can give you all the rundown on it. Nothing too crazy and all things we expected.

Preliminary game schedules are out for both Travel and State. So if I am slow to reply to something it is most likely because I am very busy scheduling games.

MeSh is coming up Mar 19-20. Practices have started for that and going smoothly so far.

Indoor

Indoor Report

2nd Session coming to an end with only 1 family who is on a payment plan (\$70) to collect! Suspension reminder emails to team managers worked again.

Indoor Tournament -Thanks to everyone for donating time and helping out!

Income:

-54 Teams: \$8072 Collected after Ref (\$640) and Trophies (\$700). Madison (3), Eastlake (4), West G (2), Wickliffe (2), ACP (2), Rec (2)

-Big Board: \$3000 (Sold out Sat Night) Mark did awesome job with Gift Card donations and kept shopping costs under \$800! The right people on the board helped!

-Chinese Auction: \$3301- Record 30 Baskets!!

-Apparel: \$1872 - Profit approx. \$468 (25%)

-Donations: \$750- Lake Photography \$500 and Family Donation of \$250

So our portion of Income before Expenses:

\$4036 (Teams, includes ref and Trophy expense) + \$3000 + \$3301 + \$1872 + \$750 = \$12959

Expenses: approx. \$780 In Big Board, \$1404 Cost of Apparel (I can't think of anything else)

Next Year Indoor: No idea what Andy has plans to do with new Team year structure.

MSC Tournament

- We will have emailed all Team Managers Fliers.
- Need someone to reach out to all neighboring clubs. We haven't heard from anyone.
- Need Rec to collect teams and get them to us. Andy knows about Rec division request.
- Need to schedule meeting with Andy soon. Next week?
- Need ALL board members and officers to sign up to donate time.
- Secured a vendor to do picture. (Lake Photography) Asked for \$500 donation.

Administration

President's report:

Met with Jim, Missy, Amy F to discuss a variety of topics but primarily around the U8 plan for Fall/Spring next season.

Ken and Jeff met with Missy to discuss US Soccer changes, coaching for next season and developing a Wave committee that will meet on a regular basis. Ken has volunteered to chair these meetings. First meeting is Monday, March 14th prior to the board meeting.

Lunch with Ken and Paul Driesen to discuss the possibilities of Mentor and Shaker working more closely together. Nothing new to report as we will continue with PFC and existing MeSh opportunities

Ken and I attended a meeting hosted by Tom Pickett from OYSAN with a small group to discuss the following topics: Birthdate change, competitive calendar, determining divisions for the fall due to the birthdate change, new heading rules, game day locations, impact of other leagues, HS divisions for the fall. This was poorly organized and not sure what are next steps.

Hosted 2nd 'classroom' coaching session for Wave coaches with Tom Turner teaching. So far it appears these sessions are of value based on coach feedback. We should probably have one more meeting but a more focused discussion on club operations, etc.

Nick Cipkus has reached out about Positive Coaching Alliance in the past couple days. I will forward to the offices for feedback.

Old Business

N/A

New Business

Scholarship forms are all available online

New Referee class was held with 19 new kids – 9 were Mentor kids

Lunch n Learn to be held in a few weeks

Lake Photography will be here at April meeting to pitch his services

Verify that all kids have signed Waiver Forms

Field Lining – need volunteers for the last 2 weeks

Fence at Krueger needs to be fixed

Field maintenance Scott received 2 quotes

Club survey – one on tournament?

Tom Turner suggests that player evals be conducted at the beginning of season so players and coaches have baseline to work with the rest of the season

Motion to adjourn by Scott and seconded by Ken. Meeting adjourned 8:23pm.

Mentor Soccer Board Member Action Page

- Submit to OYSAN all registered player names
- Revise Tournament Coach Pay

Calendar of 2016 Meetings:

January 10

February 14 – Valentine’s Day

March 13

April 10

May 8 - Mother’s Day

June 12

July 10

August 14

September 11

October 9

November 13

December 11