

**Fond du Lac Soccer Association**  
**June Board Meeting**

6/23/2010

The Fond du Lac Soccer Association (FDLSA) February Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, June 23rd, 2010 at the FDL Soccer Complex. Members present include Greg Winkler, Mark Daniels, Dave Hubbard, John McArdle, Bob Niederdorfer, Gina Rosado, Lisa Blackstad, Benji Winter, and Dave Moehn. Mark Daniels called the meeting to order at 8:10 pm.

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Approval of past meeting minutes
  - a) Motion to approve April FDLSA Board meeting minutes by Benji Winter, second by Dave Hubbard. April FDLSA Board meeting minutes approved.
  - b) Motion to approve May FDLSA Board meeting minutes by Benji Winter, second by Gina Rosado. May FDLSA Board meeting minutes approved.
- 3) Approval of May & June Financials
  - a) Motion to approve May Financials by Benji Winter, second by Dave Moehn. May Financials approved.
  - b) Motion to approve June Financials by Benji Winter, second by Mark Daniels. June Financials approved.
  - c) Fundraiser discussion: Likely to get more Keeper cards turned in at End of Year Tournament.
  - d) Walleye Weekend Referee fees discussion: Fees covered by Cost Cutters
- 4) East Central Update (Donovan Heavener not able to attend meeting.)
- 5) Recreation Update (Mark Daniels)
  - a) High School Rec. League season is underway.
  - b) Coaching Issues:
    - i) Alfredo Mauricio – U10 Boys Coach, see email regarding complaint. John McArdle will contact him to clear up any misunderstanding and offer to help with the team for the remainder of the season if that is necessary.
    - ii) Paul Mengert – U12 Girls Coach, Complaints regarding physical play of this team and unsportsmanlike conduct of the coaches.
  - c) Referee Issues
    - i) Need to move parents and coaches back to the spectator line.
    - ii) Idea for next year is to have a schedule where one FDLSA Board Member is at the complex to monitor rec. league games every night (would mean one night every 2-3 weeks for board members).
    - iii) Considered mentoring/monitoring of referees. A midseason referee and coaches meeting would be appropriate for rec. league. Could do between the 5:30 and 6:45 games.
  - d) Discussed issue of coaches putting a “goalie” in the net during U5 and U6 games.

- e) End of season player/parent survey a possibility.
    - i) Benji Winter will look at Constant Contact to figure out survey feature.
    - ii) Mark Daniels will take a look at Survey Monkey.
  - f) Concession Stand – Put out a reminder out for coaches/parents to show up to work the concession stand on their assigned nights.
  - g) Hardship Cases – Can volunteer at the concession stand. Gina Rosado has been following up with hardship cases and has been unable to contact several. The FDLA will continue to follow-up with them and will offer them opportunities to volunteer prior to next season.
  - h) Refund Requests
    - i) High School Rec. League player due to job. Refund fine with FDLA Board.
    - ii) Heather Wilson wants her son moved from U10 Boys Team (Alfredo Mauricio Coaching Issue) or a refund. FDLA Board won't offer refund and John McArdle will contact coach to help with team.
    - iii) Travel player refund request for Zachary Skarma from the U17 Fondy Volcanoes team. FDLA Board doesn't agree, but would offer a transfer to the High School Rec. League.
  - i) First Aid Kits have been distributed to Rec. and Travel Coaches.
  - j) Provide pinneys to rec. league teams for goalies next year.
- 6) Travel Coordinator Report (Greg Winkler)
- a) Try-outs start on Tuesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. Flyers have been given out at Rec. League games this week (still need to hand them out Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup> and Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup>).
  - b) Have approximately 1/3 of the applications from the travel coaches and very few trainer applications.
  - c) Try-out evaluation cards are made and pinneys have been ordered.
  - d) FDLA Travel Committee is running U10 to U14 Try-outs. Coaches for the u15 and older travel teams can choose to have their teams evaluated by the travel committee also.
  - e) Travel uniforms will be ordered online by the parents through Stefan's. Coaches will not have to handle this.
  - f) Travel Committee is targeting August 10<sup>th</sup> to have travel players registered.
  - g) Fundraiser – Travel Teams will participate in the FDLA Fundraiser next season. Registration fees will stay at \$200.
  - h) Mark Daniels will update Travel Registration Forms.
  - i) Coaches will know their teams by mid-July. They will need to inform players by August 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - j) Travel coaching applications will be available at try-outs.
  - k) FDLA Travel Committee will look at East Central leagues and make determinations for the travel teams. Leagues are based on level of commitment.
  - l) Mark Daniels will get the July Series home games to Benji Winter for field scheduling.
  - m) Wait until next year for online registration for travel soccer players.

- n) The Wisconsin State Cup will be at the FDLA Soccer Complex in September, 2010. Also looking at the FDLA Soccer Complex hosting the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of the 2011 Spring State Cup. The FDLA would provide volunteers and run the concession stand.
  - o) FDLA will look at providing travel coaches with three game balls for their travel season.
- 7) Grounds & Maintenance (Benji Winter)
- a) Teams need to pick up trash around benches after games.
  - b) Spraying has been completed. In the future will make sure that it is done on a Friday.
  - c) A new fence for Field #1 was priced out at \$1302 by Tom Rottman to assist in ease of mowing and maintenance. Greg Winkler suggested using a rope fence similar to the one used at Uihlein Soccer Park. Benji Winter will go over this with Tom.
  - d) Premier Field repair – FDLA currently has a quote from Able Landscaping for \$24,000 to put in 4” of dirt, level the field and put sod in. This is no longer possible for this year and would have to wait until after the girls’ high school season next year. Benji Winter will see if Able Landscaping will honor their quote for that time. The FDLA needs to develop a plan for next year for this field.
  - e) Premier Field use – May be possible for older FDLA travel teams to play on the premier field during this travel season.
  - f) The FDLA has been approached by fans will to financial support the installation of steps and a railing on the stands of the Premier Field to allow for easier access to the stands.
  - g) Theft of corner flags from the FDLA complex fields have become an issue. Two solutions were proposed, one is to give each travel coach 4 flags to use during the season and they bring them to their home games, the second is to have lock boxes present on the complex where the coaches would access flags and other equipment. FDLA will consider solution further.
  - h) Mark Daniels will check the insurance policy that the FDLA has to determine if goals need to be permanently staked in. Travel teams and trainers often want the ability to move goals for training activities.
  - i) John McArdle will check into full size portable goals for practices to determine pricing.
- 8) Concession Stand – Get most of the business on Mondays and Tuesdays. Wednesdays and Thursdays are slow. Only issue is when teams don’t show up to work the concession stand.
- 9) Unfinished Business
- a) Walleye Weekend
    - i) Need 1 medal and 2 trophies for teams that were involved in the 2010 tournament.
    - ii) Biggest issues were teams backing out of tournament or not showing up. These are not options for teams.
  - b) Pictures and plaques are out to travel and rec. teams.
  - c) Juggle balls that will be given to rec. league players are set to be delivered next week.
  - d) End of Year Tournament
    - i) U5 to U10 groups are scheduled.
    - ii) Teams will play 20 minute halves with games starting on the hour.
    - iii) Tournament will follow a round robin format with teams playing other teams in their group. Groups are formed based on their performance in the rec. league.

- iv) U12 to U14 teams will compete within their groups for medals.
  - v) Use a gator and cooler to sell beverages on the UW Fond du Lac side of the complex.
  - vi) John McArdle will contact Pit Stop to get porta-potties for the tournament.
  - vii) Other ideas for the End of Year Tournament include having a DJ, Wild Air, and the Elks Shoot-Out.
- 10) Next Meeting time and location: Wednesday, July 21 @ 8:00 pm at the FDLSA Soccer Complex
- 11) Adjournment – Motion by Greg Winkler, second by John McArdle, meeting adjourned.