



## **Oregon Soccer Club Board Meeting Minutes**

February 16, 2011, 7:30 pm

RCI D101 Community Conference Room

**Present:**, Lee Christensen, Todd Brakob, Marcia Szabados, Mike Bjerke, Bryan Gruchow, Pete McCombs, Lynn Roemer, Sandy Salzwedel Jim Neidhart, Bob Tolly Steve Harvancik, Danny Gildea, Greg Fisher, Eric Anderson, Jon Odorico

**Absent:**, Kevin May, Julie Grutzner Patrick Guenther, John Breitbach, Mark Bennett

### **1. Review and Approve – Prior Board Meeting Minutes (All)**

One minor correction to the minutes. The January minutes were then approved.

### **2. Presidents Report (Lee)**

Lee asked for a volunteer to attend the MAYSA AGM on Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> because he will be unable to attend. Jon, Todd, Bob, and Steve are considering attending.

Lee met with the local sports groups in Oregon to discuss a monetary contribution for improvements to Jaycee Park. Also discussed some preliminary discussions about a soccer park off Union Road and A. No decisions were made.

Thank you to Mark Bennett, Kevin May, Lynn Roemer, and others for organizing the off-season training for various age levels.

Discussed honoring Christine Johnson for all of her years of volunteering for the club over the years as well as with the tournament.

Wayne has agreed to be the tournament director again but in a more limited role. The first tournament meeting will be Feb 28<sup>th</sup>. An email will go out to the club soon to help organize.

Lee encouraged the board members to vote for the referendum on behalf of the OSC on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **3. DOYD Update (Danny)**

Training sessions are full for Union Sports. Youth training sessions on Sundays (12pm and 1pm) are going well. Danny will take over these now that he is back in the country.

### **4. H.S. Boys & Girls report (Kevin & Julie)**

Kevin and Julie were not able to attend due to a prior commitment.



#### **5. Classic Commissioner Update (Todd)**

Ash won't be able to return in the Spring due to family and other job opportunities. Todd added Paul Kelly to replace Ash. Kevin and Mark will get their D licenses this year. Discussed Team Managers need a coach pass card to be on the side lines. State Level teams require an E license.

Chris Lay may return to MAYSA in a volunteer position (Soccer Director of Operations), and it was identified that the tryout dates may be pushed to the end of June per WYSA, but our BC coaches need to leave the US by mid-June. Chris has asked for an exemption for MAYSA clubs but it is unlikely they will get the exemption. This will affect registration, forming teams. WYSA information indicates tryout dates should be U11-14 for June 18<sup>th</sup>, and June 25<sup>th</sup> for U15 and up in order to coincide with end of the season.

The remaining BC coaches return March 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### **6. In-house Commissioners Update**

Registration is open for Spring. 88 new registrations so far, 57 of which are for Rookie league. Registration will last until March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Rookie league will start April 22<sup>nd</sup>. By April 15<sup>th</sup> target date for team formations. So far 5 high school boys have volunteered to coach. Eric's plan is to have a coach/team meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> so the league can begin on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Foot skills camps ended up taking 19 players for each level. Over 45 players expressed interested in the U7/8 camp and over 30 for the U9/10 level. It definitely shows us that the interest level is VERY high for the younger ages.

#### **7. Referee Update (Bryan)**

About 50% of the referees are getting recertified which is lower than prior years.

#### **8. Financial Report (Marcia)**

The girls skills sessions have generated \$1,130 which will be donated to HS girls team. The boys skills sessions have generated \$800, \$200 of which will be donated to the HS boys team.

#### **9. Skills patch design proposal (Bryan)**

Bryan will work with Danny to determine what skills should be accessed for the patch. Design work on the patch still needs to be done. The group discussed asking the High School for assistance in designing the patch. Also discussed pins instead of patches. Discussed having this program coach-monitored for qualification of the pin/patch.



#### **10. Website proposal (Eric)**

Greg and Eric will discuss transitioning the website management to Eric. Eric will solicit input for ideas to include on the website.

#### **11. AGM (Lee)**

Discussed topics for the AGM which will be held on March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

Concussion awareness (Jon) – headgear not proven to be effective, but is a parental option. Resting after a concussion to allow the brain to recover is important. The club should encourage impact testing for the players, and a quick reference sheet for the coaches and parents to have to help with specific questions to help assess whether a player has had a concussion.

Other topics for the AGM include: field update, DYOD, financial report, election of new board members, referee update, code of conduct, team schedules/equipment, rookie and the new Little Kickers league.

Camps for Summer – Tetra Brazil week of June 24<sup>th</sup>, Challenger camp 1<sup>st</sup> week of August. Will decline a 3<sup>rd</sup> camp offered is Bote Talsma's Soccer Stars camp due to scheduling.

#### **12. Social Media (Lee)**

Discussed being careful with any of our personal social media outlets (Twitter, Facebook, etc.) in order to make sure coaches/parents/board members are responsible with those sites to properly represent the club. Since the board did not have a policy on this Marcia drafted one, but the board will think about this more before acting.

#### **Next month**

1. Spirit Wear (John)
2. Social Media follow-up (Lee)