



Northern Lights Soccer

Monthly Meeting

November 11, 2019

7:00 pm Elmcrest Park

Call to order:

- **Meeting Called By: Kotchi Prosper**
- **Type of Meeting: Monthly Committee Meeting**
- **Note Taker: Mandy Paumen**

Attendees: Mandy Paumen, Kotchi Prosper, Andy Severance, Sarah Boyum, Chere Thompson, Christine Amsler, Ben Gerads, Justin Allen, Angela Kokesh, Lindsey Helgeson, Clint Seul, Leigh Bakke, Mike Jones, Sean Sutter, Mary Pipenhagen and Aaron Lindquist.

Meeting called to order by Kotchi Prosper at 7:00 pm.

Justin Allen makes a motion to approve meeting minutes for September, Ben Gerads seconds the motion. Motion carries.

Financial Report: Angela Kokesh

- Talked about financials.

Open Forum:

Committee Business:

Task Updates:

Tournament Coordinator: Andy Severance

- Submitting sanctioning this week for the Rum River Invitational. Needs to be in by November 18 at 5 pm.

Volunteer Coordinator: Leigh Bakke

- 2019 season for hours is complete and families were charged on 11/1. We had one family come back for a refund due to rec coaching.
- We need to have material volunteer needs sorted this month for the 2020 season. I believe the decision was to hold off on new events until 2021 when we last spoke about it, but want to call it out. This is to make sure we can balance covering shifts and offering families enough opportunities to meet commitments. My current assumption is that we'll have similar needs in 2020 as we had in 2019.
- For any new, big events, we should start talking now for planning for the 2021 season.
- I'm working on drafting a formal volunteer policy and will send it out for review, hopefully before the meeting.

Field Coordinator: Justin Allen

- All nets removed from Elmcrest and Central Park. Still need to get nets off the goals at Rivers Bend and Alpine.
- All goals moved off fields at Elmcrest.
- Moved the one "stray" goal at Central from the ice rink back to the soccer area. (All goals noted above are securely anchored)
- Will complete inventory of goals (including all unused, spare goals around Elmcrest).

Equipment Manager: Mike Jones

Concessions Coordinator: Lindsey Helgeson

- The stand has been cleaned and all leftover food items put away.
- We still need the new freezer fixed but Heinrich was working on that.
- Spirit Wear will be sold at Adrenaline December 14-15 and January 25-26.

Travel Coordinators: Ben Gerads and Christine Amsler

Girls:

- Team meetings held with good feedback from membership.
- Winter training is underway at adrenaline, no issues yet!

- We have a few additions on both boy and girl sides and are getting them their tryout shirts.
- I have the tryout shirts in my possession so if you know of a player that needs one please reach out to me. Cost of extra tryout shirt is \$15.

Boys:

- Still adding players to teams.
- MYSA AGM meeting
 - 2020-2021 player registration is going from \$7 to \$9
 - There is no longer Premier status at 13U or 14U ages. You will qualify from summer of 14U to your status for summer at 15U.
 - Deadline for League One teams to register is November 25th.
 - MYSA had a deficit in the 2018-2019 season of \$297,566, but they are projected for 2019-2020 to be +\$381.

Rec Coordinators: Heinrich Von Mende (absent) and Mary Pipenhagen

- Coon Rapid Winter partnership - waiting to hear back from new Rec Director.
- Suggested Uniforms for winter - dri-fit performance shirt. Will be about \$10.85 per unit with our logo, \$13.75 with ours and CR United.
- Winter plan is to have larger groups with 2 coaches on the field. Focus high on drills/training. With the smaller field space it helps force training over games. The other plus is that it may still require the same amount of coaches, but 50% would be assistants and they are easier to recruit.

Registrar/Communications: Sarah Boyum

- Tentatively open summer rec in January.
- Fundraising flyer and recap of parent meeting to go out in separate emails.
- Winter rec flyer is going out to schools in the next week.

DOO/Team Manager Coordinator: Chere Thompson

- We had 3 teams that were committed and qualified for State, but due to the weather it was cancelled. Two of those teams won the fall League for their age group. Which was the U12 Boys Black team and the U14 Girls Black team.
- Picture dates are set for this year Rec's dates are May 13th & 14th & Competitive is May 20th & 21st. Teams were requesting earlier dates to allow Managers to get pictures to families before the season is over.
- After talking with Meghan it has been decided to stay with TeamSnap.
- New background checks will be needed by all after the 1st of the year. We are asking you to wait until after the 1st of the year to do the background check even though MYSA says you can start doing them now.

- I have found with Coaches and Managers who have Concussion certificates that our expiring. I have contacted all who need to redo.
- I have 3 more teams to find managers for. There is one manager in place who has not complete any paperwork as of yet. One coach who said he will get his paperwork done by this weekend, he has completed his background check that is Tony Chavez.
- I am planning on having all Team Budgets by Friday, December 13th, so that I can get these to Sarah to get set up in NGIN. Aaron I will need to know what Coaches fees will be for all paid Coaches before then. Payments should start coming out in January and that means all teams will be paid in full no later than April 17th.

DOC: Aaron Lindquist

Done:

- Winter training off and running.
- Some demand from teams for more time. Provided options at Adrenaline and going to reach out for local gym space.
- ZoomReports contacted and getting set up.
- Some player additions to teams. Reaching out to other clubs for additional players and rec program.

Ongoing:

- 2 teams without coaches (working to get filled)
- Coach contracts getting finalized and payments for teams sent to Chere.
- Getting player development plan online with continued website updates.
- Matching up mentorship program with winter teams.
- Coaches Chalk Talks starting in January.
- Presentation of Club Style of Play/Style of Training to be sent out to members in January. (already posted online)

Vice President: Meghan Rietschel (absent)

Fundraising Coordinator: Sean Sutter

Uniform Coordinator: Jon Klocker (absent)

Future Months Business:

- Discounts for families with multiple children.

New Business:

- Positions to be voted in for board positions at the AGM are President, rec directors, concessions, secretary, equipment, fundraising and uniforms.

Meeting Adjourned:

- **Andy Severance makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mandy Paumen seconds the motion. Motion carries. Meeting is adjourned at 8:01 pm.**

Next Meeting: December 9, 2019, at 7:00 pm at Elmcrest.