



## EYSA Meeting of the Board of Directors

7pm February 18, 2020

The Bungalow Club, 1 Franklin St, Exeter, NH 03833

### 1. Chairman welcome

Marc Chabot, President, acted as Chairman and noted there was a quorum with more than half the directors in attendance. In attendance were Luke Martel, Randall Skaal, Jenn Young, Brian Melick, Amy Farnham, Chris Sera, Maria Proulx, Patrick Garrity, Stephen Osborne, Matteo Taormina and Jason Faria.

### 2. Minutes

Stephen advised that minutes of January meetings are to be circulated.

### 3. Spring season

Registration numbers for each of the age groups were reviewed with a view to establishing feasible teams to form. Individual player placement was not considered. Randall agreed to provide rostered player names to age group coordinators on Sunday February 23rd, for final recommendations.

Notes, subject to final input from age group directors up until the deadlines for registration, included:

- For high school girls, we propose to patching in to NEP via Seacoast, under Fitzpatrick's control
- For NNESL, girls High School remains too uncertain at this point. Current intentions are for a U19 and U16 NNESL
- For boys, team numbers for U8, U9 - 10 and 11 were straightforward. 2010 will play 11 players at U10. 2010 will have 7 players combined with 7 from the 2009s for a 2009 team.
- There was a discussion about permitting registration of a 2014 sibling. It was agreed that the player be allowed provided the registration policy is transparent.
- There are 52 players at HS including 8th graders
- Intend to move Grade 7 2006s into the 2007s group, for a U14 team
- Boys High School will play NNESL unless competition is not strong enough, in which case NHSL will be considered.

### 4. Fees

Jenn set out fee proposals for Fall 2020 and Spring 2021. Fall fees would be \$165 for U10 and below, and \$200 for U11 and above. Spring fees would be \$140 for academy, \$165 for youth and \$180 for high school.

It was agreed to add \$5 for late sign up and reduce \$5 for early sign up: Being based on late sign up rates, this equates to a \$10 saving for early sign ups.

These fees were agreed by a vote of the board.

Jenn and Luke confirmed we can add 2 products in the basket, making spring sign up at the same time as fall feasible.

It was agreed to open registration for fall on April 2 2020.

### 5. Fields

Maria noted that if the Article 4 for the Exeter Rec development is voted in on March 10, the Friends of Rec will focus on fundraising for phase 2. Greg Bisson (Exeter Rec) has mentioned that matching funds are available, provided fundraising is successful. The Friends of the Rec organization is a 50 501(c)(3) –



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meaning it is a nonprofit organization approved by the Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt, charitable organization.

It was agreed that we should make arrangements for field availability at Philips Exeter Academy, for high school Sunday games. Patrick to follow up on requirements: we may need waivers to be prepared by home and away players.

### **6. Financials**

Jenn reported that the January 31 2020 cash balance was approximately \$92,950. This compares to \$93,475 for January 31, 2019.

Any requests for financial aid for the spring season are currently unprocessed. Jenn noted that one player had taken advantage of the support offered by AreUIn.

Jenn noted that we need to ensure that an application goes into Seacoast United for matching financial aid.

### **7. Website**

Luke and Jenn discussed changes to fees following the change of ownership of Blue Sombrero. Luke will confirm the fee amount and work with Jenn to see if we can absorb the registration fees as opposed to adding a surcharge to registrations (annually these will be approximately \$1500 to \$1700)..

Possible alternatives to Sports Connect (new Blue Sombrero operator) include Sports Engine, affiliated with US Club and lower cost (annually approximately \$595). Luke will bring a written recommendation to the March meeting.

Jenn will confirm how Sports Engine integrates with US Club.

### **8. Other business**

Maria noted that SUSC is now administering NNESSL as previously anticipated. Kelly Kelly is the NNESSL Admin/Scheduler and is arranging a meeting in March for Clubs to explain the administrative changes.

Luke noted that Wegotsoccer has been bought out and that there are some back orders being processed.

### **Next Meeting:**

Board – 10 March 2020 at TBC