



Exeter Youth Soccer Association

Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Directors

Held at Exeter Senior Center, 30 Court Street, Exeter on August 16, 2022

1. Chairman welcome

The meeting started at 7:00 pm.

Marc Chabot noted there was a quorum with more than half the directors in attendance, welcoming Luke Martel, Maria Proulx, *Jason Faria*, Randall Skaal, Stephen Osborne (Zoom), Geoff Meadville, Jenn Young, Scott Craig and Patrick Garrity. There were apologies from Brian Melick and, Matteo Taormina. Also in attendance was Porter Hayes who had applied to volunteer as a director.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting, held July 15th, 2022, having previously been circulated as draft, were approved by a vote.

3. Appointment of a Director

In accordance with the Bylaws, Porter Hayes was nominated by the Marc, President and confirmed by a majority vote of the Board. Porter was appointed until January 2025; at which time he may apply for a three year term in accordance with the rotating terms of other Board positions.

4. Former Director

Marc advised that Chuck Murray wanted to meet with the Exec about how his girls' team may compete next spring. It was agreed that from the club's perspective, he is not affiliated with the club and if his communications to FCX players continue to confuse players and parents, we may need to reach out separately to confirm that EYSA operates the FCX high school teams in spring.

5. Fall Season

Randall confirmed that all teams had coaches except for two U9 boys' teams. There was a discussion about who could help and other possible options including covering practices and securing volunteers for game days.

Randall advised that league placements are all set with only Matteo Taormina's boys team competing in NHSL, and everyone else on NNESSL.

Regarding the preseason coaches session Maria advised that it is set for August 25th at 6pm with SUSC's Ian Scott confirmed to speak. Randall intends that standard information can be put to video with it being available to those who cannot attend. The intent is to have coaches' packets for U9/10, U11/12 and U13 up handed out at the event. Equipment is on order and if available it can be distributed on August 25th.

The U9 academy introductory night is planned for Friday August 26th and Patrick is reviewing the program. It was agreed to bring along some ices for the evening. A photographer is going to capture pictures for the evening which will be available to the club and for us to share with families. The board approved the \$250 cost for the photographer.

Regarding the Epping Jamboree all team combinations and registrations are agreed and SUSC has confirmed that all teams will play in Epping.



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6. NNESL

Maria confirmed that NNESL will allow an aged base registration of players for their U15 divisions, regardless of whether players are at middle school or high school. Maria will ask NNEL to poll clubs for how their High Schools permit players rostering on travel teams – some, such as Exeter, have previously stated that school team players may not compete on non-school teams.

7. Fields

Patrick provided an update. He noted there are only 6 11v11 teams so we can get by with Exeter and Brentwood.

He plans to line Exeter with 2 9v9s and 7v7s, Brentwood with a 9v9 in the 11v11 and 2 7v7s. With the season openers not being until September, he will ask Bob to hold off.

In addition, North Hampton is available, and Timberland could be used, it was ok for 9v9 last fall.

Patrick advised we need 2 sets of nets at Exeter, sizes to be confirmed. Jenn will order these nets and sandbags.

8. Financial

Jenn said that the cash balance of \$116,632 is approximately \$9k up year on year. Fall registration is up about \$4,500 on last year and spring registration was up about \$4,000.

AOB

Jason asked about how financial aid is made available. Jenn explained that Seacoast used to cover 50% of aid costs, but the number has dropped, aid covers registration, not uniform but families can request aid there. We do not cover indoor team registration.

Jenn also noted that around 50 players signed up for the summer camp at Seacoast.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 8.15pm.