

OBX Storm Annual General Meeting

JMeeting held at Dare County Parks and Recreation

June 15, 2023 - 602 Mustian Street, Kill Devil Hills

IN ATTENDANCE: Jamie Varnell, Molly Garavito, Lori Warrender, Erin Harrell, Steve Smalley, Jeff Moore, Greg Sherman, Kyle Forbes, Whitney Norko, Gene Patton, Natalie Dutt, Cara Sherman, Jessica Taylor, Jay Taylor, Holly Foubister, Matt Hart, Jenn Rogers, Jasper Rogers, Miles Nowarah, Dave Facenda, Lori Haynes, Anna Miller, Helen Furr, R Scott Warrender, John Windley, Jillian Menendez, Macey Chovaz, Andrea Munro, Katie and Stephen Brewer, Jason Stevens, Graciela Lzaguire, Trahey Maner, Rob Testerman, ,Melissa Haight, Jessica Mclean, Chris Garavito, Jessica Folkes, Kristine Kiosis

Meeting called to order at 5:32 pm

Approval of May minutes.

Presidents Report:

Intro of Board Members.

Parent expectations and acknowledgements. Lori clarifies misconceptions within the board mostly in relation to the U11 Boys team that will be traveling.

There has been record enrollment, record # of teams + a creation of a Junior Stars program by Gene Patton.

Molly Garavito has created a brand-new website from scratch that makes registration simple and seamless. It ensures that players have paid. Monthly emails are sent, and parent surveys are out. The board depends on the parent surveys so we can better serve the kids in our club.

We have partnered with soccer.com for uniforms and fan wear. We have LOGO stickers and magnets as well to represent STORM.

There has been the creation of a fundraiser guide in which 10% of all profits raised through a fundraiser will go directly to the club. So far about 8-9k has been raised for the club through multiple fundraisers.

Our social media presence is up on Instagram as well as Facebook.

Field Space is still an issue.

Lori Haynes has helped us to integrate everything to QuickBooks which in turn is saving the club roughly 10k a year.

Treasurer Report:

Greg Sherman states the budget is in good shape, roughly 40k in cash in the bank. Greg does not agree with getting rid of the bookkeeper. Regarding treasurer roles, he does not wish to fulfill what we will need him to begin doing now that we no longer pay a bookkeeper.

New Business:

By Law Amendment. Moving the Director of Coaching and Communications to non-elected board members. The biggest reason behind this is to make sure these positions go to qualified candidates that understand the expectations and workload these positions require.

General discussion coming from members that elected officials should not be able to vote.

Greg Sherman motions to table the amendment until more discussion can be had on it with the members. The board votes 5-2 against tabling the vote.

Jamie Varnell makes a motion to pass the By Law Amendment as it's written with Steve Smalley second it.

Motion is approved 5-2.

Greg Sherman states he is resigning from the board. The board accepts his resignation.

Elections:

Erin Harrell runs again for Secretary.

Jenn Rogers runs for a board seat unopposed.

Dave Facenda runs for a board seat unopposed.

Steve Smalley mentions regarding the Fall, the plans of each team to play league or tournament only will be left up to the coaches.

Lori reminded all attending members to respond to the survey and get their players signed up before the late fee kicks in.

Motion to adjourn open session with members at 6:31pm

Closed Session begins with board members at 6:32 pm

Steve Smalley nominates Lori Warrender to stay on as President. Lori accepts. Dave Facenda will join as Vice President. Erin Harrell as Secretary and Jenn Rogers as fundraising chair.

The board decided to allow membership to nominate a candidate for our open Treasurer position at a future meeting date.

Meeting adjourned at 6:59pm