



Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Directors

May 9, 2023

Exeter Parks and Recreation offices

President's welcome

Maria Proulx, president, called the meeting to order at 7:41 p.m. In attendance were directors Jenn Young (treasurer), Matteo Taormina, Eric Kelley, Patrick Garrity (vice president), Geoff Meadville, Shane Bradt, Jessica Costa, Porter Hayes, Jason Faria.

Absent with regrets were Luke Martel, Christie Farris, Ben Bailey, Scott Craig.

Spring update

Patrick reported that the weather has wreaked havoc with home games, but that make-ups were being scheduled and most games would be able to be made up.

Maria reported that NNESL was monitoring one-sided results. A comment was made that one-sided results were partly the result of divisions being condensed into one rather than dividing them premier and championship as expected. Premier teams wind up playing lesser sides and the results are what they are. Maria and others agreed but also noted that all should be done to keep scores from getting out of hand.

Scholarship essays

Jenn reported that we received seven submissions for the Officer Stephen Arkell Scholarship. The ad-hoc committee formed to review the submissions will decide a recipient by May 11. Luke will present the \$1,000 scholarship at Exeter High School graduation on behalf of the club.

Fields

Patrick reported that both Brentwood and Exeter rec fields have weathered the rain poorly this spring. The 11v11 at Brentwood and one end of the 9v9 field at Exeter are particularly in rough shape. Patrick also emphasized that coaches must do a better job of removing goals from the fields at Exeter after play on Saturdays.

Evaluations

The evaluations for fall 2023 are set for May 13. Registration closes May 12. As of May 9, we were trending slightly below last year's number of registrants. Rob Hadfield at Seacoast United is finalizing the list of evaluators. Board members have volunteered for slots to help run the sessions.

Financials



Jenn reported on the club's finances. The club's balance stood at roughly \$136,000 and increase of 13 percent year over year. Most of that increase can be attributed to spring registration revenue.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and unanimously approved at 8:46 p.m.