

General Board Meeting Minutes

03-14-2016

Attendance:

M. Branchflower (U13G Travel)	B. Gerundo (U14B Rec)	Jon Del Pozo (U10G Travel)
Susan Stevenson (U9G Travel)	Greg Stevenson (U9G Travel)	Jen Del Pozo (U10G Travel)
Chris Hoagland (U19B Travel)	Jenn Newsom (U12B Travel)	Sophie Uskudarli (Girls Rec)
Patty Powers (U13G Travel)	Margaret McCarthy (U12)	Barry O'Reilly (U11/12G Travel)
Jeff Haddard (U6B Rec)	Tammi Ligouri (U6G Rec)	

1. CFC WEST PROGRAM (Girls and Boys)

- a. Organizational updates – None
- b. Spring update
 - i. Girls Dev. Academy: Mon. 6 – 7pm @ NMS (Apr. 18th)
 - ii. Boys Dev. Academy:
 - iii. Girls Teams: U11 – U13 (one team @ each age group)
 - iv. Boys Teams: U12 – U15 (two teams @ U12 only)

2. RECREATION LEAGUE UPDATE

- a. REC registration closes tonight @ midnight
- b. Practice times / dates for existing teams shouldn't change
- c. Teams will be created with new registrants and REC uniforms ordered
- d. Spring Registration Numbers

<u>SPRING REC REGISTRATION NUMBERS</u>			
U4	25		
U5	18		
U6B	6	U6G	6
U8B	12	U8G	8
U10B	18	U10G	8
U14B	15	U14G	8
Total of 124 from U4 – U14			
B REC+	3	G REC+	11

3. TRAVEL UPDATE

- a. Season will kick-off on Apr-10th and end weekend of 6/11-6/12; there are no playoffs in the Spring
- b. Linda is working out the temporary practice schedule (Mar-18 to Apr-18) and final practice schedule.
- c. Sent team availability for weekend of 4/10 and 4/17 but Managers will need to work out schedule with other teams
- d. A total of 13 kids tried out to fill spots on existing teams. Notifications were sent out and collecting acceptances and adding to teams
- e. Teams have been placed in brackets based on the Club's recommendation. The SWD Division Coordinators may tweak based on Fall results. Managers should check SWD website in next week or so to confirm final placement for teams
- f. Travel Team Managers will no longer need to collect Trainer fees in the Spring. Trainers will be signing a Contractor Agreement. This will allow the club to collect trainer fees and pay trainers directly.
- g. REC Coaches and Travel Coaches will no longer need to pay referees. The club has moved to pay all referees using online bill pay so Refs will receive checks. Michelle / Jody will provide a list of payments to be made on Tues of each week and Carolyn will schedule

Note: Travel teams will need cash to pay Referees for Away State Cup games so please coordinate with Carolyn

- h. There will be a Managers meeting on March 22nd @ 7pm. Eric will notify about the location

- i. There is an upcoming SWD vote on changing U9 to 7v7 from 8v8 beginning in the Fall of 2016. There is also a vote to eliminate the U14 bracket but add a U15 bracket. This is a result of age change and small sided game change (for U9 – U11)

4. MEMORIAL DAY TOURNAMENT UPDATE

- a. Paperwork has been submitted to town and CJSA to host tournament
- b. E-Mail communications have been sent out to clubs in CT and NY
- c. Food vendors have been confirmed (FFH, NHS and possibly Treadwell)
 - i. Concerns raised over Treadwell snack bar and fact that he wasn't prepared. Rebecca has spoken to them and if necessary we will see if we can get another food vendor there with his permission
- d. We will be identifying tournament volunteer positions needed i.e. Field setup, Field break down, etc. and will need someone to take point on coordinating the volunteers
- e. A time line was created and shared at the Board Meeting showing all of the activities that have to happen (please see agenda for the tie line)

5. REFEREE UPDATE

- a. There is a kick-off meeting on 3/29; all new referees must attend
- b. Certification for new referees closes Mar 29th; we have only had 5 new referees certify; this is down from 35 last year
- c. Given the smaller referee pool, last minute changes to schedule may be difficult to fulfill
- d. A mini-clinic for referees will be held on Apr 3rd. Working with Linda on Fields and Eric on teams
- e. Referees will also be required to enforce the new heading policy. We are waiting on confirmation from CJSA on the age cut-off and details on how this will be enforced if players are plying up, etc.

6. FIELD SCHEDULER UPDATE

- a. Turf fields should open earlier than 4/1 and grass fields are currently scheduled to open 4/15 although P&R could open them earlier if weather continues to cooperate
- b. Waiting for final REC spring registration numbers and new teams to schedule practice times
- c. There are no expected changes to existing teams that played in the Fall
- d. With daylight savings time we have more time to spread out times and fit them in
- e. Waiting for responses from Travel coaches to confirm practice day / time
- f. Working on temporary practice schedule from 3/28 through 4/18 when all Grass and Turf fields will be open

7. COACH ADVISORY BOARD UPDATE

- a. Worked with club on finalizing coaches

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a. None