

August 11, 2014
SCOR Board Mtg
Rob
Phil
Shawn
Tim
Stacy
Mary
Seth
Paul
Keesh

7:10pm Mtg called to order....
Approved June mtg minutes

Rob:
Briefed the Board on preliminary Fall budget numbers
15 kids getting financial aid from SCOR
\$11k in sponsorships
We usually see @ \$16K net profit from the October Tourney / Wilton now throws in a variable as they will be having an Oct tourney this year; Wilton usually sends us 50+ teams and we now will lose those teams (?) and the teams that chose to go to Wilton i/o Ridgefield; CT RUSH connection...
Only variable expenses: referees; only 2 paid employees: Hillary and Jen.
Field fees up \$1/player
Expanded tournament discussion

Stacy:
Travel update sent via email.
Travel development program: an option for the House players, to provide them with opportunities that mimic travel....currently 2 teams set up for Fall (House 3/4, 1B/1G). Phil worked with the House directors to create a program that will encourage the House players to become future travel players-practice with professional coach 2x/week, and they play on the House league. Concerns discussed that this hybrid may be a logistical problem: not House, not Travel. Ideally we want this pilot to be a 'bridge' b/t house and travel-if promoted and communicated properly. This will be the pilot season. Phil's thought is offering an option to all those who want to play travel who may not yet be 'ability' ready. The discussion lead us to the discussion of naming the products of the club: further defining the new offerings that come out through the club.
Phil's assertion that Premier will always be a draw for some kids but SCOR is just as good.
Idea: create the roadmap of what SCOR can offer that then leads to playing at RHS.
Paul's idea: to set up a talk point sheet to make sure we all communicate the same thing.

PDP and Goalie clinics: Friday 430-6, Wed 430-6

Fields discussion: goals and nets need to be addressed. We have TH, THII, Scotland, ERMS, SRMS Shawn will be meeting with Terry this week to get a crash course of field layout etc.
Rob offered to go around with Shawn to give him a tour of the fields.
Aimee schedules referees and fields; Aimee has a list of the fields and the lining required.

Paul advised Shawn of a lot of capabilities our user system has that we don't take advantage of in regards to fields: something to consider for future
Keesh would like a master plan of field linings that's real time and can be viewed by all so all know what we're dealing with. There should also be a MASTER plan which can be passed on from one season to the next.....

House:

Registrations good-@ 792, including A1/2

Young girls, K, 1st overall is lower in numbers from past years

Concussion issue may be at issue: CIAC is stating that will not allow teams to practice competitively for more than 90 mins/week. Need potential coaches for 5/6th boys and girls Rec Plus. Sponsorships locked in; shirt orders being placed this week.

Fields plan: Sarah Katz has a template

Fundraising:

John's report via email:

Have a Ball discussion: the champion (Marcie Coffin) is rolling off-we've decided to skip it this year and plan for next year, mid-season, tying it to the Columbus Day tournament (Friday night of the tournament), maybe a little more casual, more focused raffle items, etc. Too late to start planning this year for mid-Oct execution. Mention of T-shirts at tournaments;

Tournament discussion:

Seth/Special Prgms:

Someone needs to be assigned to the Twitter account-Sam Critchell is rolling off.

Winter Prgm: Waiting to hear from Wooster re: same time slots as last year; cutting down to 7 week sessions. Thinking of raising the price to \$140 from \$120; reducing the time to 7 weeks from 8. Doesn't think we'll hear any flack.

Danbury Dome: league play, CSA, Newtown: need to communicate to the managers what's available so they don't feel they 'didn't know' there were team play options over the winter

Tim & Keesh: Seth wants to discuss u8 and u9 camps; getting this age group into the summer & winter programs....

Coaching:

Alex Harrison: Varsity girls coach: works with APEX soccer

he is working with Harmony (Freshman) & Adam (JV): all working together to assess the players and program on the girls side as feedback from the questionnaire indicated that they felt Phil doesn't care about the girls in SCOR which Phil attested is absolutely not true. He wants this objective perspective so that he can address what may be lacking.

Academy: emailed report.

Good numbers, alot of growth with the exception of A1 & A2 girls (this is also in the House division) Alot of healthy demand.

Website:

League Athletics no longer waits to support scor.org email addresses; if we want to utilize new League Athletics email, it's \$2.50/month for up to 5 emails as of the new year. The forward function will still work....VP House will be forwarded to Tim's email etc. Also, now the Board's access to the ADMIN system has been changed: your personal email sign in with the previous

password assigned. Keesh noted his access is not broad enough-he can't email the Academy people-Paul will address.

Reach out to John to find out what has been promised for sponsorship money-Paul needs to know what should be up on the website.

Newsletter:

September newsletter: Profile: Ben Viggiano / professional / house coach?

Sept 15th distribution-

Various ideas for the issues discussed

Meeting adjourned 9:30pm