FAIRFIELD UNITED SOCCER ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES OF MEETING October 24, 2016

Board Members Present:

Tom Connor (TC), Seth Cutler (SC), Liz Neugebauer (LN), Premal Shah (PS), Jason Shaughnessy (JS), Mike Vinci (MV), Darren Walsh (DW), Stephen Zhawred (SZ)

Absent:

Mauricio Trabuco (MT)

Others Present:

Ole: Danilo Martins

Meeting called to order at 8:10 PM.

Agenda Items:

Financial Update

- Reviewed FAST P&L
 - Board to revisit FAST charter in future meeting
 - LN to provide financial report to FAST chairs
- Scholarship fund to be reviewed after Spring dues are paid

Spring High School teams:

- Tryout set for 11/13
- Agreed to uncouple winter training from spring commitment

Team Tiering Methodology:

Agreed to table until after board election in early 2017

Practice Time Adjustments:

- w/o 10/31 adjustments discussed for age group practices
- w/o 11/6 adjustments to be organized by age group coordinators; No age group practices this week
- Notification to be made to AGCs for communication to coaches

High School Communication:

- Board discussed guidelines on communicating to club regarding performance of Fairfield HS teams
 - Club email list to be used only for significant events that involve FUSA participation in some way (Warde/Ludlowe annual games with FUSA ball girls/boys or halftime scrimmage)
 - Looser restriction on FUSA Facebook page, which can be used for other HS soccer news (playoffs/tournament info, Ruden Report polls, etc.)
 - Where possible, posting should provide relevance back to FUSA (support FUSA alumni, etc.)
 - Strive for equality between Warde and Ludlowe postings

CT Cup communication:

- Agreed to use club-wide email and Facebook posting to make club aware of U11 girls teams' advancement to CT Cup semifinals (FUSA Red 1 vs. FUSA Red 2 match Saturday 10/29 @ Burroughs field)
- Will attempt to place item in local media outlet (Sun/Citizen/Patch/etc.)

Other Business:

- Proposal to consider establishing a FUSA-branded trophy for annual Ludlowe-Warde girls soccer match (similar to Swedish Cup for boys, sponsored by Swedish-American Club)
 - o Launch Fall 2017
 - o JS to discuss with Warde HC; PS to discuss with Ludlowe HC
 - Full proposal, including cost implications and logistics to be developed and discussed in future BOD meeting

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 PM.