

Agenda:

March 10, 2015

7:00pm Seifert Associates

Monthly Board of Directors Meeting

Attendance: Ed Croft, Krista Gloden, Nichole Jones, Tracy O'Donnell, Roger Simoes, Jolee Dinho-Guerreiro, Vicki Kross, Eurico Taveira, Mike Bronko, Amy Keach, John DeCampos, Darlene Lawson, Manuel Silva, Joe Campos, Joe Magalhaes, Paula Gabriel, Diane Teixeira

1. Call to Order – 7:05pm
2. Appoint time keeper for meeting – 1 minute
 - a. Vicki
3. Approve past meeting minutes from 2/10/2015 & 2/24/15 – 5 minutes
 - a. Motion to accept 2/10/15 meeting minutes - Amy 1st, Jolee 2nd; all in favor
 - b. Motion to accept 2/24/15 meeting minutes - Amy 1st, Jolee 2nd; all in favor
4. Old business – 5 minutes
 - a. Joe Campos, advisory board & coach; Mike Bronko, coach; and Eurico, coach, addressed the board on high school aged travel teams
5. New business – 5 minutes
 - a. Manny raised two agenda items: (1) allowing U11 & U12 boys to go to the Cheshire tournament on June 6 and 7 and (2) allowing additional players to some of the age groups (U15+).
 - b. Motion made to add topic of allowing 6 additional players to some of the age groups (U15+). Manny 1st, Roger 2nd. All in favor. Topic added to the agenda.
6. 5/6 – No Updates
7. 7/8 - No Updates
8. 9/10 – 5 minutes
 - a. all set for coaches
 - b. rosters going out this week
9. Purchasing –
 - a. Coaches clinic – NSCAA partnership with NYS, Baronowski attended – 8 min
 - i. Roger provided an update on his attendance at the coaches clinic. NSCAA offers two levels of educational partnership - Tier 1 & Tier 2. Tier 1 is free for all partner organizations, such as NYS, and provides coaches, administrators, players to free educational content.
 - ii. We should encourage coaches to utilize this information. Copy of the flier with contact information will be scanned to Binfire.
 - iii. Roger and Joe were very impressed with one of our players and 1st time coach, Kayla Baranowski. Kayla is interested in working with NYS, her goal is to do coaching for a career. During the conference she demonstrated her commitment by attending all workshops. The board needs to determine how to harness this talent? and should we have a commitment letter in place?
 - b. Rec Uniform –what we ordered, what was utilized from storage, jersey for older players – 5 min
 - i. A good amount of shirts were found in the storage unit, mostly U5/U6 age group.
 - ii. Based on findings, we will use dry fit t-shirts for the season vs. previous decision of going back to cotton due to consistency among players.
 - c. Uniform change, what we found at clinic, possible savings and income, local vendors – 10 min
 - i. Roger & Joe to draft proposal on using new vendor for purchasing uniforms. Cost savings potential. Proposal to illustrate the comparisons.
 - d. Joe suggested the club purchase and resell window laments of our chest plate. CT Sign in Prospect can produce for \$2.25. Need to determine if this something the club wants to do.
 - e. Seifert should be listed as a sponsor as he donates his facilities to the NYS club.
10. Registrar – 15 minutes
 - a. Current registration numbers for Rec
 - i. U5/U6 - 86; awaiting 2
 - ii. U7/U8 - 95; awaiting 2
 - iii. U9/U10B - 73
 - iv. U9/U10G - 38; awaiting 2

- v. U12BDR - 21
 - b. Update on entries for Cup
 - i. Waiting on U16 girls on attendance
 - c. Review of deadlines
 - i. 3/15 - last day for rec registration
 - ii. 3/21 - last day for cup registration
 - iii. 4/11 - 1st game of the season
 - iv. 4/20 - cup draw
 - d. Review of outstanding items for Age Directors
 - i. 5/6 - done
 - ii. 7/8 - done
 - iii. 9/10 - partial
 - iv. U16B - jersey #s
 - v. U16G - jersey #s & pics
 - vi. U19B - jersey #s
11. Publicity/activities – 30 minutes
- a. We have 10 sponsorships for the Spring season
 - b. Update on NIST
 - i. tournament dates set for 11/7 & 11/8. Application is currently being completed.
 - c. Fundraising opportunity at Quassy - approached by Quassy to conduct a fundraising event; would need to buy tickets in bulk - 400 minimum. Board decided it wouldn't be able to commit to the minimum.
 - d. Duck Race - Diane to draft proposal for this fundraising event. Age directors to work with Diane in regards to the number of tickets to order. We had 300 last year; no obligation to sell all tickets received. We would need to give back any unused tickets. Approx. cost per ticket raised is \$2.50. Tickets need to be sold by May 2nd.
 - e. Picture Day is 5/16 at City Hill. Photographer needs a list of schedules, so he can send packets to the respective coaches. Amy to send schedules to photographer. There was also a request to send a list of available fields to all the coaches. Amy to send to the Age Directors.
 - f. Diane motioned to bring Mary Forgues on as Asst. PR Director. Darlene second it. All in favor.
 - g. President requested PR Director to look at the sponsorship guidelines for competition teams. Diane to work with Age Directors to draft proposal.
12. Treasurer – 10 minutes
- a. Reviewed 2015 budget. All in favor to adopt proposed budget.
 - b. Suggestion was made to include a category for "Late fees" under income.
 - c. Suggestion to move SA fees to Expenses vs. offset in Income as the club is paying for these fees. Stone Alley deducts from the amount they send to us.
13. Travel Girls – 20 minutes
- a. Request for U11G to attend tournament in Rhode Island on 7/11 & 7/12. Players responsible for funding. Darlene motioned the request, Jolee 2nd it. All in favor.
14. Travel Boys – 5 minutes
- a. Manny motioned to send U11 & U12 boys to the Cheshire CIT tournament in June. Darlene seconded. All in favor.
 - b. Manny made motion to extend hard deadline for U15+ to Friday, March 13, 2015, at midnight. Roger 2nd. All in favor (10-0).
 - i. Age Directors to notify all players that the deadline has been extended to this Friday. We are aware of 6 additional players at this time.
 - ii. Registrar needs all information - registration, payment, jersey number, pictures by midnight 3/13. Information after this date will not be accepted.
 - c. Manny raised concern on hard and soft deadlines. For comp teams we had a deadline of 1/31/15. We stated there was a late fee; however, did not provide an additional "drop dead" date. Registrar to review this for next year.
 - d. Concern raised on process. Lists for teams were not sent out early enough so Age Directors (AD) could communicate to their teams about registration, i.e. who registered, who didn't. ADs to get access to Stone Alley so they can check the status at their leisure and follow up with coaches/players accordingly.

- e. All agreed, communication is key. If ADs are aware of players who may not meet the respective deadlines, they should be sharing that information with the Registrar as soon as possible, and prior to deadlines.
 - f. Emails are discoverable, stick to the facts, no opinions.
 - g. U19 passed for roster up to 25 in the prior meeting.
 - h. U-12B District Rec:
 - i. CJSA does not allow dual registration; needed to remove the C roster. All players are now under Team B. Due to 21 players currently, Manny motioned to increase the number of friendly games from 2 to 4. Jolee 2nd. All in favor.
 - i. Travel Guidelines
 - i. No discussion
15. Pool - 5 minutes
- a. Vicki & Joe are rewriting the pool guidelines. Due by opening day (4/4).
16. VP –
17. Coaching Director – 5 minutes
- i. Footskills to start on April 17, 2015, from 6:30-7:30 for 8 weeks; ending June 5, 2015. Pool practice immediately following footskills. 5/6 footskills to start on 4/11/15.
 - ii. Coaches encouraged to view the website on coaching guidelines
18. Secretary –
19. President:
- a. Opening Day – 15 minutes
 - i. Discussed contingency plan if snow is still on the ground. Board agreed to post information on website advertising the event with the note of "weather permitting".
 - ii. If not able to hold event due to weather, i.e. snow on the ground, we will cancel opening day for this season.
 - b. Technology Director – 15 minutes if time allows
 - i. Discussed the addition of a technology director, bringing the board to 13 members vs. 12. With the addition of Mary Forgues, Asst. PR Director, she possess the skill set of a technology director. For now, the technology director responsibilities will fall under Publicity/Advertising.
20. Anything else not on the agenda – 15 minutes
- a. See new business above
21. Motion to adjourn: 9:51 - All in favor