



Oregon Soccer Club Board Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2015, 7:30 pm

RCI D101 Community Conference Room

Board Members:

Present: Eric Anderson, Mike Bjerke, Steve Havancik, Paula Legler, Dan Paltz, Kristen Thysee, Erik Vandermause and Cara Schwartz

Absent: Bryan Steffen, Jon Tanner, Anne Weiland

Quorum Present: Yes

Others Present:

Registrar - Erika Zuehlke

Referee Assignor - Bryan Gruchow

DOC - Kevin Gowrie

Field Maintenance - Chris Janssens

Proceedings:

Meeting Called to Order at 7:30 pm by Mike Bjerke

Previous month's minutes were approved no changes. Motion made by Erik seconded by Kristen

Standing Items:

President's Report provided by OSC President Mike Bjerke:

- Recently Michael Sharp passed away, he had a daughter who played in the club and he also helped paint lines. We would like to send our condolences via a plant or arrangement to his family. Kristen volunteered to take care of this. We set a limit of \$50-75
- Mike Carr sent a message regarding field useage and would like to set up a meeting to discuss.
- Need to start recruiting for a new tournament director. Currently planning to hold the Fall Fury 2016 on the weekend of September 16-18.
- Jon Tanner recently resigned from the board. Effective July 2015. His work load is not conducive with helping out on the board anymore as U9-U14B rec commissioner.
- Anne Weiland expressed concern with her ability to fulfill her position as well and would like to be replaced.
- We need to start actively recruiting for these positions.

Financial Report Provided by OSC Treasurer Dan Paltz:

- When checking with MAYSA we have missed a \$50 fee for two players missed. They were two players who transferred in from another club.



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DOC Report Kevin Gowrie:

- Still small attendance for Wednesday coaches clinics. Each time different people attend though. Will definitely incorporate coaches bringing their teams to these sessions in the spring to encourage better attendance.
- Still working on moves of the week.
- Still conducting Monday British coaches meetings. Going to take these meetings out to the fields so they can participate and practice examples of more technical skills.

Classic/Competitive Program U11 & up Commissioners Report Provided by Anne Weiland & Paula Legler:

- Need to open registration for high school boys. Need to figure out numbers and which level they will be playing at. Need to decide who will coach. Teams need to decide if they will play league or just play in tournaments.
- Need to have a nominal registration fee so we can see who is interested and get going on this. Would like to get this started as soon as the high school season ends.
- Will open November 9-30. \$50 registration will be required. Will open for each age group so we can determine teams and level they want to play at.
- Coaches will be leaving November 13-15. Need to plan on closing up the house and determine who will be shoveling.

Recreational & Academy Programs U9 – U14 Commissioners Report Provided by Steve Harvancik (Girls) & Jon Tanner (Boys/Coed):

- All 3 Academy teams going to Brookfield tournament.
- All going well.

Recreational Program U7 – U8 Commissioners Report Provided by Kristin Thysee (Girls) & Eric Anderson (Boys/Coed):

- Season going well.

Recreational Programs U4 – U6 Commissioner Report Provided by Bryan Steffen:

- Absent, no report

Referee Report Provided by Bryan Gruchow

- No report



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New Business Items:

U.S. Soccer Mandate – (Mike, Eric, Kevin)

- Mike went and talked to Chris Lay wondering what other clubs plan on doing about the new mandates. As a result a meeting invite was sent out to current clubs to have an informal meeting to discuss options and how their clubs plan on handling these. Each club will definitely handle the mandates differently to accommodate their club's needs. Chris stated as long as the mandates are met he will not tell the club how to handle these. Oregon has a very unique situation being the 3rd largest club in the MAYSA area while still maintaining 95% Oregon kids.
- Discussed streamlining cost structure. Discussed options of phasing in and possibly 'grandfathering' current teams of older kids in relation to the change in age requirements.
- Chris Lay stated the point of the new mandates are for the players and not the team.
- Kevin purposed playing in age groups or a 'pool' where everyone the same age practices together. Then you form teams and player pass. This would be a true Academy style coaching method. There would be 2-3 coaches per pool. Discussed possibly trying this with rec group and phasing in the others. Kevin is going to draw something up for the next meeting on paper so we can visualize this concept.
- Will continue to look into making a smooth transition. Will see what comes out of the MAYSA meeting and hopefully take away some ideas from other clubs in the area. Although, no one else will solve this for us so we need to continue forward.
- Chris also said they are in same situation with goals as our club is. He is going to petition keeping the goals because they are so expensive to replace and so close in size. Moving forward any new nets will be purchased according to new size requirements for the club.

Winter Training Costs – (Eric, Kevin)

- Have 12 futsal teams scheduled for the first session. Currently have 10 window sessions for the first winter session. Have gym space blocked off at Hill Crest, and the schools.
- Kevin will be dedicating Saturday to the Futsal games. Will be available to assist any teams there.
- *Need to set prices for the Three Winter Sessions. Will keep 12 kids per group. Prices will be \$40 per 5 week session. Eric will send out the email and will set up sessions and collect money.*
- *Motion made by Paula and seconded by Erik.*

End of Season Survey - (Paula)



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- Would like to send out an end of season survey at the beginning of November to all teams. It is already built so we can just send it out.

Coaches for Spring - (Mike)

- We know that we will need one new Challenger coach for the 2016/2017 year as one of the current coaches had only intended to stay through the end of the Fall 2015 season. The board discussed if we wanted to change any of the remaining Challenger coaches for 2016/2017. Erik made a motion to make changes. Seconded by Mike. The vote was 4-5, therefore the motion did not pass and we will ask all of the remaining coaches to stay for next year.

Sponsors - (Paula)

- Has one team who has a sponsor willing to pay for team hoodies. Is this allowed? No, it is not allowed. Would like to better use a sponsor to benefit all teams. We would like to keep all fundraising through the club not individual teams.

Maintenance Equipment Purchases - Eric

- Need squeegees for the fields. Also, would like to get a better lawn mower. May need to talk to park district before we move forward on this. Will discuss this further later.
- Discussed need for new goals with new mandates.

Fundraiser Idea - (Eric)

- Would like to have a spring fundraiser - Glow Soccer. We would get glow in the dark balls and t-shirts and then line the fields and goals with glow in the dark paint. Need to look into insurance issues and details.
- Another fundraiser option - hold a 24 hour game.

Park Board/Field Updates – (Chris, Eric, Dan)

- Chris, Eric and Dan went to a park board meeting this week. In the future there will be some changes in fields such as moves and exclusiveness. We as a club need to stay in tuned and visible in all upcoming planning meetings.
- Outcome- we can use Rustic Vineyard for practice purposes only. We won't be able to use in the spring any time after 5:00 pm. Other sports have preference for usage.
- Bryan shared that Oregon hosts 643 soccer games here in Oregon. 418 games without the tournament weekend. This brings more people into town than any other sport.
- We need to start thinking about future expansion. As i,s we are reaching capacity for green space. Would like to make a small committee to look into future expansion and land availability. Going to lay out a vision: future development, fundraising, amount of land needed/wanted, steps needed to pursue.

Next Meeting

The next OSC monthly board meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2015 at 7:00 pm



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Meeting adjourned at 10:47 p.m.

Minutes taken and submitted by Cara Schwartz