



**Northern Lights Soccer
Monthly Meeting
August 11, 2024
7:00 pm**

Call to order:

- **Meeting Called By: Meghan Rietschel**
- **Type of Meeting: Committee Meeting**
- **Note Taker: Mandy Paumen**

Meeting called to order by Meghan Rietschel 7:05 at pm.

Attendees: Mandy Paumen, Andy Severance, Heinrich von Mende, Emily Thayer, Christel Pederson, Meghan Rietschel, Chere Thompson, Aaron Lindquist, Ahna Lloyd, TreJuan Carson, Kris Kramer and Sarah Bromenschenkel.

Meghan Rietschel makes a motion to approve minutes from July. Mandy Paumen seconds the motion. Motion carries.

Meghan Rietschel makes a motion to approve the agenda for August. Mandy Paumen seconds the motion. Motion carries.

Financial Report: Hans Jacobsen (absent)

- P&Ls are attached (one attachment is an expanded w/all of our chart of accounts and the other attachment is a high level summary view)
- CRU has only one open invoice for \$7k. However we just paid adrenaline so that will get ½ billed to them soon.
- North United: All girls teams/player reimbursement checks are sent
- Reminder: Last year, August 2023 is when we paid out Board Member Reimbursement checks, not sure what the process is or who owns (Chere?).
- Reminder: If any contractor needs a W9 to be filled out, please just send the name and email address to Meggie and myself. We will send them a secured link! Their check will not be sent until a W9 is filled out.
- Reminder: Ensure all checks are made out to ARAA Soccer.
- Reminder: Any receipts or invoices that are emailed to Meggie and I, please ensure they note it if it's a shared NU expense and if we need to bill 50% to CRU.

Open Forum:

Task Updates:

Committee Business:

Field/Equipment/Fundraising Coordinator: Sean Sutter (absent)

- Nets and signs are ready to go at Elmcrest.
- Working on getting sandbags for the nets so that the city will mow. City will not move them to mow if they are staked down.
- **ACTION ITEM** - Sean to find a new vendor for field signs. They were \$7 a piece for the ones we have from DoAll Printing.

Concessions Coordinator: Krisandra Kramer

- Looking into a dumpster for garbage that would be locked.
- Looking into another POS to use in concessions.
- Need to get a new Mifi device for Elmcrest. Get one for business and not under an individual.
- Did not need to throw anything away for the Fall.

Communications Coordinator: Ahna Lloyd

- Working on ref assignor job description and getting it posted.
- Kick It In for Kids logo update.
- Thinking about how to make the board members more noticeable for everyone.

Webmaster: Jason Huisheere (absent)

- Northern Lights Club voted and passed funding for the TeamSnap development of the North United website. Next, waiting on CR exec. meeting to vote to make it official.
- Starting to make changes to prepare for the FALL season for Rec websites for both clubs.
- Got the "Fall Cup" tournament pages updated for the coming tournament.
- Passing along to both DOCs suggestions made on the NU website's suggestion box. Found out that the suggestion box can only email to the default email address which is the webmaster account. That will change once we build the new website for NU.

Travel Coordinator: Sarah Bromenschenkel

- Sold over half of the towels for the USA Cup.
- Should we order fleece blankets for the Fall with North United logo? Could we get some with all 3 logos? (CR United, North United and NLS) - Sarah will check on prices.

Rec Coordinators: Heinrich Von Mende

Division	2024 Teams	Players	Players Per Team	2023 Teams	Players	Players Per Team
U12+ Co-Ed	4	44	11	4	54	14
U9-U11 Girls	6	48	8	6	58	10

U9-U11 Boys	6	56	9	6	61	10
U7-U8 Girls	4	29	7	6	40	7
U7-U8 Boys	6	48	8	6	55	9
U4-U6 Co-Ed	6	32	5	8	64	8

Fundraising/Sponsorships: TreJuan Carson and Angelica Carson (absent)

- Looking at making some updates to the sponsorship guide.
- Big events and trying to get some donations.
- Sponsorship meetings are being set up.
- Communication issues with contacts that are being received from families. Trying to connect with those people when the contacts are not correct. Possibly put some sponsorship opportunities on Facebook for families to sponsor if they can.
- Possible sponsor for rec soccer shirts.

DOO/Registrar/TM Coordinator: Chere Thompson

- Trying to get all the spreadsheets updated.
- Sending out emails for GIA.
- Sending info to new players. Need to get pictures, etc.
- Paperwork for coaches, managers and board members.

DOC: Aaron Lindquist

Completed (in last month)

- North United website work
- Meetings/emails/phone calls with parents and Coaches
- Marketing online social media
- Newsletter created and sent
- Attending games/practices/tournaments
- Evaluations through TeamGeniusTCSL meetings (NPL and league)
- 2024-2025 Budget finalization
- 2024-2025 Team Plans create and post/send
- 2024-2025 Tryouts advertising
- NUDP training Sundays (over 115 players!)
- Survey sent to parents
- Tryouts complete and team submitted

Upcoming (within the month)

- Coach Hiring and Evaluations
- Meeting/emails/phone calls with parents/coaches
- TCSL Fall meetingsTCSL NPL meetings
- Fall coaches meeting
- Fall team meetings and practices begin
- Prep for fall games
- Winter training schedule created
- Tournament planning for 2024/2025

Future (going forward)

- Monitor TCSL vs MYSA new league(s)

- North United Coach/Player Development
- Continued developments of ARAA Indoor Space
- Marketing of North United and Sponsorship
 - Can we get \$10k more?
 - Grants
- Contract with Adrenaline goes through March 31, 2025. Our training will go through April, 2025. Jason's lease is set to expire on March 31, 2025. Jason would like to meet and discuss the time that we need, he would like us to sign a contract even though he does not have a contract in place with his landlord. We are hesitant to sign a contract when we are not comfortable with the hourly price change. We are not sure when the new facility is going to be breaking ground.

New Business:

- **Mandy Paumen makes a motion to approve Heinrich von Mende as President of NLS focusing on rec soccer, Andy Severance will stay Vice President and focus on competitive soccer. Meghan Rietschel will stay as the commissioner for soccer on the ARAA board. Meghan Rietschel seconds the motion. Motion carries.**
- **Meghan Rietschel makes a motion to approve Samantha Long as the new rec director. Heinrich von Mende seconds the motion. Motion carries.**

Meeting Adjourned:

Mandy Paumen makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Andy Severance seconds the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Next Meeting:

October 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm

December 9, 2024 at 7:00 pm

AGM Meeting, January 25, 2025