

WSSC Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 13, 2020

7 pm via WebEx

Attendees: Goss (Pres.), Fry (VP Admin, excused at 7:58), Allan (Treas.), Persson (VP Players), Lucas (Sec.), Foulk, Conway, O'Byrne, Wiener.

Excused: Hinthorn

Absent: Gass

Guests: Joel Oltyan

Announcements: Goss reports that HSA will postpone a decision on canceling the spring season for one more week, to next Monday. A shortened season (4-5 games) is also under consideration.

ACTION ITEM: Notice will be posted on the WSSC website that HSA will make this decision next week.

Wiener created a WebEx account for Board use and distributed the credentials.

March 2020 Board Meeting Minutes: Fry moves, Conway seconds approval of the minutes; unanimous approval.

Club Finances: Allan, as always, provided written reports to the board in advance of the meeting. He reports that we are ahead on revenue because we have not been paying regular season expenses like referees.

Allan reported that he closed the expiring CD to avoid auto-renew, but because rates are now near 0% he has not purchased a new CD yet. Another CD will expire this month; per Persson's suggestion Allan will check to see if the auto-renew rate is better than market rates.

ACTION ITEM: Allan will check CD rates and purchase a new CD or allow auto-renew at highest available rate per prior board authorization.

Allan circulated the club's tax return for board review.

ACTION ITEM: All members may review tax return and send comments to Allan. After waiting one week for comments, Allan will file the return by April 30.

OLD BUSINESS:

Board Recruiting: Liz G., a high school soccer coach, has been suggested as a potential board member.

ACTION ITEM: Goss will follow up with Liz.

SafeSport: Goss has received no further comments on his draft FAQ.

ACTION ITEM: Goss will publish the SafeSport FAQ on the website.

Board Election: Fry reported that he has already prepared a ballot via Survey Monkey. The ballot will be posted tomorrow and voting will close on April 20. New terms begin April 21, 2020.

ACTION ITEM: Fry will send the ballot to all coaches and will post a notice on the website so that any member will be able to vote.

RMA Clearances: Wiener has given all coaches a presentation on how to get RMA cleared, including screen shots, links, helpline numbers and other information. Clearances must also be processed by WYS, which may not be doing so right now.

ACTION ITEM: Wiener will send the board a link to the presentation he gave at the last Coaches' Social.

ACTION ITEM: Goss will draft a message for coaches next week with HSA's decision on the season and regarding RMA clearances.

Spring Coaches' Meeting: We will hold the meeting as a one hour WebEx presentation for the first 100 attendees, which will be recorded for the remaining attendees. Fry will handle ordering uniforms, pick them up and bring them to a parking lot for distribution to teams as previously planned.

TeamConnect: Discussion was had regarding the protocol for turning on TeamConnect, especially when RMA clearances are not complete, complicated by the unusual circumstance of clearances all expiring at the end of the month and delays in processing them at regional and state levels due to Stay Home rules; many coaches may have completed the required trainings but the process may not have been finalized at the WYS level. Basic clearance requirements will not be compromised; we will inquire about clearance processing by WYS.

Disciplinary Matter: Allan reported on his disciplinary meeting with WYS. He felt it was fair and a good process, and that the results were correct. VP Coaches will ensure that the assistant coach who was given a 3 game suspension is not present at the first three games, and will meet with him before he is reinstated. Allan will make sure the referee at the first three games signs off that the assistant coach is not present. The other assistant coach is on probation with no suspension. Persson provided clarification that a team's primary coach at any game must be at least 21 years old.

Admin Calendar: Discussed; postponed pending decision on canceling spring season.

US Soccer Connect: Data will be transferred to the new registration system in May. Goss is attending training on the new system next week.

ACTION ITEM: We will send a warning email to all registrants that they will need to register anew in Soccer Connect.

ACTION ITEM: All board please look through website to find items which should be purged before the data transfer.

NEW BUSINESS:

Spring Registration Fees and Refunds: Fry reports that some families have requested refunds; there is consensus agreement to go ahead and process these; these folks may pay the administrative fee.

ACTION ITEM: Fry will talk to Soccer Office about processing the refunds.

ACTION ITEM: Fry and Goss will discuss potential refund of service fee with Soccer Office if season is cancelled.

United Soccer Coaches Membership: Wiener gave a presentation on this item and provided an informational document for board review. Potential purchase of a membership is deferred to July board meeting.

Important Dates:

Tuesday, May 5, 2020, 7 pm Coaches' Social, online

Monday, May 11, 2020, 7 – 9 pm, Board Meeting, online

May 2020 Data transfer to US Soccer Connect

June 1, 2020 Fall Registration begins