GASC Board Meeting Minutes

Date: May 9, 2013

In Attendance:

Michelle Caldwell Jerry Caldwell Michael Reeves Amy Titus Trebbe Catron Daretta Engh Charlie Joyce Dave Connor Michelle Kemp Amanda Norris Teresa Bever Neil Singco

-The minutes from the last board meeting were approved.

President's Report:

-Michael will be meeting with Musco sports lighting next week to possibly light up fields 12, 19, 20, 22, and 23. The approximate cost is \$80,000 and we are looking for grants to be written to cover the cost. This opportunity to light the fields will open up more Friday night games in the fall. -We are possibly looking to schedule some Saturday Pele games to Friday night.

Vice President's Report:

-No report

Treasurer's Report:

-New check signers have been submitted and are in place.

-The checking account has \$26,674.

-The league's taxes are being done which will cost \$200. The deadline to have them done is May 15.

Director of Recreation League Report:

-This has been the 3rd wettest April and has made getting pictures done very difficult.

-For future picture scheduling, there will be an awning available in the event of bad weather.

-The photographer reported that it takes approximately 1,000 shots to complete the Pele pictures so setting up a designated time to complete the Pele shots is imperative, without interruption of other levels.

-When pictures are being taken we need more help running the cart to gather teams.

-Overall the ordering if uniforms went well this year.

-We need to enforce to each coach that the equipment that they are using is being put up, after practices as well as games!

-A city wide park rule is in place for no smoking or drinking of alcoholic beverages...especially around children. We may need to submit a club-wide e-mail reminding everyone to adhere to the rules.

Director of Academy League Report:

-ICL will be changing the playing format for Academy programs starting in the fall.

-U8/U9 to 5v5 on a smaller field

-U10 will play 7v7 on a larger field

-The academy committee was approached by parents with concerns on the uniform selection. Team Image is not able to supply youth small and extra small jerseys. The committee was unaware of this. -The academy committee is asking the uniform committee to review the new uniform options presented:

~Team Image

~Badger Sport

~Mad House (Looking for a different quote...can they do what we

need? Not all experiences have been positive with this company.) -There is a huge concern that a parent was allowed to step in and make league decisions in the area of uniforms. This is a parent in the past that has not been easy to work with. The board has agreed that the parent takeover must be shut out and that the committee must have complete control. -Once clarification on what sizes the companies can provide can be determined, this discussion has been tabled.

Director of Indoor Soccer Report:

-This is out of season.

Soccer Camp:

-15 people enrolled online so far.

- -Flyers went out to schools
- -We have 5 paid sponsors so far

-Dick's Sporting Goods has pledged \$500

-Ads will be placed in the Daily Reporter

Field's Manager Report:

-The organic grow that was applied to the field looks good. We are looking for a vendor for a summer/fall application.

-The goals look terrible with weeds. Can we get someone to clean them up? Charlie took care of it for now.

Concession Stand Manager's Report:

Raising the cost of popcorn to \$1 and getting larger bags (this was approved by the board)
Hot chocolate was raised to \$1
Coke Zero was added to the selection per requests by consumers
We will consider buying Pepsi products directly from Pepsi, not Douglas.
\$460 was paid out in replacement worker fees
53 worker spots remain open
\$4,000 approximately was taken in this season
Strikers water bottles are for sale for \$5
There is a possibility of selling Strikers bags for \$6 (Will parents be concerned that we were giving them away for a while and now we are charging for them?)
We may be able to do a bag/water bottle combination for \$10

Coaching Committee Report:

-Introduced the RMA style technical training into the Academy program using out RMA licensed coaches.

-RMA is a new developmental philosophy

-RMA training is offered in 3 sessions for \$595 per coach (Offered June 21-23)

-There is no help for coaches anymore

-The first two classes have offered a lot of information. We are definitely seeing positives. It is worth the cost and the players are using the skills. -The entry fee is approximately \$50 a child

TOPsoccer Committee Report:

-Fundraiser is June 8 (6-8pm) "Strikeforce Lanes" bowling alley

-Cosmic bowling will follow

-There will be raffles of donated items

-There is a \$50 a lane sponsor

-Charlie is working on how to accommodate wheelchairs
-Possibly use Yoga Balls for the kids
-Committee meeting will be opened up to Leslie (a parent)
The FUSE newsletter will include TOPsoccer
-Can we be in the job fair at the Library to get people to sign up to be buddies for TOPsoccer?

Sponsorship Committee Report:

-We signed an agreement with Dick's Sporting Goods for \$500 toward our soccer camp. This includes a shopping day in the fall which will include team coupons

-We will use Dick's field banners for the rest of the spring season and for the fall season

-We are working on a Home Depot sponsorship....the possibility of an academy wall and Striker's signs (An academy wall is approximately \$600 to build. Ellen is looking for a way to pay for half of it.)

-A Chamber of Commerce sponsorship letter is in the works.

5K Committee:

-In the next few weeks we should know the final date of how the 3 county races will work together

-9/24th high school and junior high cross country meet (We would like to have this at Brandywine Park

-We are looking into having bag tags for the runners with our logo. -Sponsors and insurance is being lined up.

Anti-Obesity Task Force:

-We are trying to get parents more involved during our practices...The possibility of putting in a walking path around the trees has been suggested. This will keep parents moving. We can also put in markers to track their walking progress...1/4 mile, ¹/₂ mile, ³/₄ mile, etc.)

New Business:

-None