

**Mentor Soccer Club
Board Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2016**

In Attendance:

Chris Andreano
Scott Brown
Amy Freeman
Aldo Lucrezi
Len Kostaka
Mark Sobonya
Marissa Rogenthein
Brian Penkowski
Missy Read
Jeff Petro
Margaret Brown
Ken Werner
Jim Buchan
Arnold Zirkes

Absent:

Chrystal Poling

7:06 pm call to order.

Meeting Minutes

Approval of December meeting minutes – 7 for 0 against. Meeting Minutes approved

Finance / Treasurer's Report

Not much has occurred since last month.

Please be sure to have reviewed the coaches' tournament policy from last month so we can complete it.

New budget workbook/tool is nearly complete

We will begin the annual 1099 exercise later this month.

Len will send revised policy to Scott

Committee Updates

Comm/PR

Any newsletter items please get to me by Thurs Jan 14

Need inventory of spirit wear and what is wanted for 4v4 spirit wear sale so order can be placed. Amy and Missy will work on this

Our vendor does have the performance material shirts.

Have prepared communications to go out to coaches and parents once US Youth Soccer Initiatives are announced by the leagues we participate in.

If flyers are needed for 4v4 sponsors, need to know what goes on them. i.e. What are we offering in return for sponsorship? Used to be add space in program, but no program this year.

Need to begin volunteer recruiting for 4v4, can't wait till last minute.

Coaching

Coach Clinic with Tom Turner went very well, 13 coaches showed up
Tom Turner would like to hold a classroom session as well

Rec Report

When Registration opens Jan 15, most, if not all, new registrations, will land on wait-lists. We had pretty full rosters in the fall. Teams with players not returning will be given new players, and we will hopefully have enough new registrations to add teams.

We will likely be placing a small uniform order for spring.

As stated in my reply to the Communications report, I would like the rec apparel order to be placed with the wave indoor tourney order, so that we are ready for an early spring rec spirit wear sale. I will check in with Missy and Chris and whether we can have some rec apparel available at the indoor tournament.

We would like games to start as early April as possible, considering weather and fields. We are pre-recruiting volunteers for field lining. Would like season to wrap up by the time Mentor schools are out.

Brian has a great idea about Indoor Session 2 holding a very basic skills program for U7/8. Parent coached. Designed for kids that are completely new to soccer. Very fundamental. What is does it mean to dribble, pass, very basic stuff. If Aldo can get us some field time on Sunday, we could make it happen.

Wave Report

On the Wave side we are working with Shaker Hts to create teams to attend the Middletown Spring Blast again. We had 7 teams attend last year and this year we are shooting for 10. 5 of our teams took 1st place so we are anticipating a high rate of returning players this year.

Still waiting to hear which of the 3 new rules will be implemented this upcoming fall for our leagues. Once we have a definitive answer we can move forward. I would like to have a mandatory coach meeting BEFORE the spring season to go over what is coming down the pipeline.

We really need a way to reconcile who has paid on Blue Sombrero. I saw that an indoor program was created on Blue Sombrero which will definitely help! I am also going through all of the old outstanding open orders on Blue Sombrero and zeroing them out. I am adding the memo "OUTDATED DEBT" on the ones I am removing. So going forward if you see this in an account you will know why.

We are now declaring teams for the spring in the OHTSL and the State League. I will continue to act as the league Rep for the State League, but if anyone comes across any good candidates let me know.

Aldo knows 14 players who want to form a tournament team, can they be sanctioned by MSC to play tournaments? Missy will look into it

Indoor

1st Session coming to a close.

All fees have been collected! Suspensions worked!

I have submitted the teams to Heisley for 2nd session and here is what we got:

- Starts Jan 15th
- 23 teams playing games
- 2 teams practicing only
- Due date for billing is Jan 25th.
- Some exceptions were made for players
- Many teams asked to move up division, Andy accommodating.
- Schedules should be done by Monday.
- Mighty Mites, U5/6, U7/8, Goalie Training, FNL, and Fitness trainings scheduled.
- Andy's President Day tournament is Feb 13-15th.
- I would like to advertise this on website.
- \$180 per team
- MSC Tournament is March 11-13
- Needs to be on website as well as an email to other clubs promoting it.
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- Email Blasts to all families, including rec.
- Tournament sponsor meeting with Mark, Brian and I
- Shopping for Big Board items and Gift Cards
- VOLUNTEERS/Committee Meeting?
- Basket donations per Wave team expectation, ask Rec as well.

Administration

President's report:

Ken and I met with Steve Sivik on 12/22. This was similar to the meeting we had with Tom Katoch. The premise is what we need to do to help move the club forward. Key take away from the meeting with Steve:

MSC needs to figure what type of club it wants to be and does that align with our goals and mission.

Coach development is the one area we should continue to focus on to improve the club.

Be more hands on with our coaches

Offer resources to coaches.

He gave us some positive comments on how we are doing in the State League.

Still trying to schedule some time with Bill Schulz from Mentor High (Steve was also very complimentary toward Bill).

Met with Paul Driesen to discuss high school program. Brainstormed ways on how to improve and get players together sooner through MeSh.

Looking into Cardinal Credit Union for a sponsorship opportunity

Old Business

N/A

New Business

Need timeframe for Tryouts – week of May 16th?

Change 2 meeting dates

February 8th and May 15th are new dates!

Motion to adjourn by Ken and seconded by Scott. Meeting adjourned 7:50pm.

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- Missy and Amy to do inventory on apparel
- Len to send revised coach tournament pay policy to Scott

Calendar of 2016 Meetings:

January 10

February 14 – Valentine’s Day

March 13

April 10

May 8 - Mother’s Day

June 12

July 10

August 14

September 11

October 9

November 13

December 11