

**Mentor Soccer Club
Board Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2016**

In Attendance:

Scott Brown
Aldo Lucrezi
Brian Penkowski
Margaret Brown
Chrystal Poling
Amy Freeman
Marissa Rogenthien
Mark Sobonya
Lynn Patterson
Jeff Petro
Ken Werner
Len Kostaka

Absent:

Chris Andreano

7:02 pm call to order.

Meeting Minutes

Chrystal motions to approve August meeting minutes with a second from Mark. 7 in favor and 1 abstention, motion passes.

Finance / Treasurer's Report – see reports from Marissa

The draft budget was completed and released to Scott for distribution this past week. Keep in mind this is only for outdoor and general.

Last year's taxes were completed yesterday. I am meeting with HW this afternoon to review and pick up copies. Next step will be for the club to review and have Jeff sign. Due date is 10/15.

Aldo and I will start working on revising the new budget workbook for indoor, as well as assembling the indoor budget.

As a topic of conversation....we should consider revising the constitution to reflect realistic dates in how the budget actually gets prepared. To keep it simple, we should allow the club to vote on this measure at the tournament. Thoughts? I am willing to put the amendment proposal together.

We current have just in Wave Fees, not including tournament outstanding Fees, of Over \$9800. And Yes, this is for Wave 2016/17 Fees.

Blue Sombrero old fees and credits have been cleaned up!

Here is how it is listed on our Website:

A payment plan will be available (for Fall/Spring) as follows:

- Payment of \$150 program fee due by June 19th
- Remaining \$145 program fee due by Aug 1st

- Payments can be made anytime at www.mentorsoccerclub.com
To take advantage of this plan, click on "Pay Deposit Only" when reaching the Checkout screen.

Committee Updates

Comm/PR

Get newsletter articles to Chris by Thurs Oct 13.

Chris had idea to establish a "Thank You/Keep in Touch" email to go to all U14/15 Rec and Wave players leaving the Club after their last spring season. Will add to calendar for May 2017.

If Board election needed, will get out communication on who/what/where/when.

Need info on PFC/Wave tryouts to send to Club members before end of October.

Rec Report

Outdoor games wrapping up.

Plans for U5/U6 indoor in progress.

Working with Heisley on rec-only divisions for indoor, with goal of getting more rec players to participate. 4 teams per group for indoor soccer

Application submitted for equipment grant. We were approved for \$300.00 for benches from Ohio North Soccer. Money will be picked up at a luncheon and is to be used for rec only.

All-Star day and rec tournament plans in progress.

Looking at new jerseys for next year (2 year cycle). Samples received.

Wave Report

COACH MEETINGS

Ken met individually with 12 out of 15 Wave head coaches discussing variety of topics - meetings lasted anywhere from 30 min to 2 hours.

Meetings with final 3 coaches (Buchan, Rolik, Rossbottom) are expected to be completed by 10/18.

COMMUNICATIONS

End of September communications sent to Wave head coaches, assistant coaches, and team managers - reiterating the club mission, values, coach expectations, organization, etc., in addition to providing updates on current topics of interest (e.g. winter indoor, tournaments, PFC/Wave programs).

OYSAN/OUTSIDE PARTIES

Ken and Aldo went to OYSAN office in Brecksville to meet the OYSAN staff and executive director Bob Riggs. Planning on similar visit with OHTSL.

PLAYER TRAINING

Friday Night Training and Goalkeeping Training was held on Sept 16, 23 and Oct 7. It was cancelled Sept 30 due to rain. There is one more session scheduled for Oct 14.

These are free sessions to club members. Next time, we would like to schedule and line up staff so that the sessions start earlier in the season. Also was informed by Jim Buchan that he set up 3 sessions (Oct 6, 13, 20) for "advanced goalkeeping" at Mentor HS - Jim will collect \$10 per player per session.

PFC/WAVE

Ken met with Tom Turner and Paul Driesen to discuss club leadership and PFC/Wave program

U8 WAVE

Players continue to play 4v4 festival format outdoors. Mentor will host a session on Sat, Oct 15. Looking at a similar 4v4 festival format for indoors.

FIELDS

We continue to look after our fields. We have been notifying coaches of any early closing of fields due to rain. We are targeting a notification time of 4:00 pm during weekdays, and 3 hours prior to any weekend games.

We requested City to cut fields towards end of week, and they will be changing their schedule to Thu or Fri instead of Mon/Tue.

Sent e-mail with instructions to determine whether field is playable or not.

Need to develop a regular plan for aeration, over seeding, rolling, etc. with the City.

ROSTERS

Processing requests to join existing Wave teams - each case is handled separately with the head coach

PICTURES

Wave team pictures received and distributed

COACH PAY

Coach pay spreadsheet was submitted Oct 1, however problems with Quickbooks delayed production/ mailing until Oct 7. In meantime, coaches were offered the opportunity to receive a hand-written check if they needed the pay sooner.

TOURNAMENT

Met with U9 Boys team (Marko Condic coach) to discuss tournament policy.

Indoor Report/Tournament:

Tournament Director

Lodi - 5 Teams

Bothwell - 5 Teams

Kalahari - 5 Teams

Madison - 4-5 Teams

As of Friday 10/7, no families are overdue.-

Ken, Mark. and I met with U9 Red Boys families. They were upset that no communication to families was sent to them concerning the new Tournament policy.

Advised that this was supposed to be forwarded by team manager. There was a switch in team manager on this team, but not until later August.

They are upset that for their team, there is a surplus of fees collected. Didn't understand where "extra" money was going. Advised that this policy was created with intent to ensure the club covered fees for ALL teams and that would be reviewed at the end of the Season in late May. They suggested we re-look at policy after fall season. Didn't think it was fair that if other teams didn't have same commitment level as theirs, why should they be penalized? Advised that this is a "UNITED CLUB" and that pricing would be consistent for all age groups. I advised we would speak about this at our October meeting. Said we should have sent an email blast to all parents concerning change in tournament policy.

Aldo put a stop to other premiere clubs trying to poach our players

Indoor

Met with Andy, Mark, Ken and Brian

Pricing for Wave to remain the same as last year:

10 Games/10 Practices - \$230/Player

10 Games/5 Practices - \$185/Player

10 Practices - \$100/player

With the exception of 10 practices at Eastlake Force, we will only be billing and responsible for handling of Indoor play at Heisley.

Looking to set up special pricing for Wave Academy

Signup went out this weekend to all Coaches/Team Managers

Indoor Tournament slated for weekend of March 24-26, 2017.

Administration

President's report:

Filed payment for Rec players and coaches with OYSAN: Based on the reports and feedback from Amy we have 59 coaches (head and assistant) in rec. In addition, we have 6 coaches who fall under both Rec and Instructional. We also have 517 rec players. Total payment for rec was \$4896.

Received an extension until mid/late October to submit all rec names to OYSAN. This extension was via OYSAN and not an ask by MSC. Our reports are complete and we will submit on time.

Waiting for taxes to be complete as we will need to submit our non-profit report to the Attorney General of Ohio office. Report is due in mid-October.

As of this report we have 6 names submitted for upcoming board election. We will have a club wide election in November.

Working with Ken and Aldo on many Wave items submitted via Ken's report.

Old Business

New Business

Election Night –

Candidates are as follows:

Mike Kolschetzky

Michelle Barkoot

Mike Heimberger

Kevin Leidich

Rich Wachhaus

Ken Werner

Election will be held November 14 hopefully at Garfield Park.

Candidates should not have access to Blue Sombrero

Bios needed for newsletter

Ken's comment: when you are a board member it's not for your child only, it is about the club as a whole.

Susie from Kirtland Soccer contacted club to express interest in referee training.

Ask if she is interested in kicking in with the Lakeland program with Len.

Motion to adjourn by Chrystal and seconded by Len. Meeting adjourned 8:10pm.

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

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