

McLean Youth Soccer BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 12, 2015 Conference Call

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT (all via conference call): James Socas, Jamie Walton, Beth Singer, Kirk Von Seelen, Louise Waxler, Mariano Diaz-Bonilla, John Poncy, Matt Richardson, Rich Irons, Sharon King Donohue, Marc Noe

MYS STAFF: Louise Waxler, Executive Director, Melissa Riemer

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by James Socas, Chair.

II. Motion to Approve Meeting Minutes from January 28, 2015.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes from the January 28, 2015, meeting. Motion was unanimously approved.

III. Executive Director Updates

Louise Waxler reviewed highlights from her submitted report.

- Spring registration numbers are good. Ballmasters participation is up, but suffered cancellations due to snow.
- Recreation coaches meeting is upcoming. Teams will have the opportunity to participate in team photos with Memory Makers.
- Summer camp programming is moving forward, including ECNL, Coerver and Celtic weeks.
- Coach evaluation forms have been sent to all participants in travel. Recreation program survey will go out at the end of spring.
- The Recreation Committee recently had a very productive meeting and the focus continues on ways to improve the training and consistency of recreation coaches. This includes consideration of increasing the presence of professional trainers – up to older ages.
- Improvements for the goalkeeper training program are under consideration.
- Employment offer letters for the coaches for 2015-16 are currently being reviewed by the club's outside attorney. He is also looking at the classification of exempt employees to make sure it is being done appropriately.
- John Harkes has been added as a consultant through the end of fiscal year 2015. His role is to address the playing environment and organization of club.
- The number of teams participating in the spring tournament has increased and we are pretty much at capacity given available field space.
- Preparation of the 2015-16 budget is underway and the final budget will be presented to the Board for consideration in May and approval in June.

- The strategic alliance with Arlington has been reviewed by the ECNL and we expect final paperwork to be approved shortly.
- US Soccer has been invited to come make a presentation to the club's membership in April.
- Louise has been attending an Executive Director Round Table Forum with other local clubs and this is a valuable way to share common experiences and gain knowledge of what other clubs are doing.

IV. Holladay / MYS Field Update

Sharon King Donohue provided an update regarding the Holladay Field and discussions with MYA. MYS and MYA are technically in agreement not to change the terms of the prior agreements approved by the respective boards. We will work to memorialize the agreements in an updated document confirmed by both organizations. Essentially, MYS has exclusive use of Holladay field. In return, we agree to pay the maintenance costs of the field and we will continue to abide by certain field allocations on other fields as previously approved by the MYS and MYA boards.

V. Club Administration Software Program

Melissa Riemer discussed efforts to identify a new integrated club administration software program. So far she has reviewed 5 or 6 options and should be in a position to make a final decision very soon.

VI. Upcoming Annual General Membership Meeting (AGM)

Louise Waxler discussed plans for the upcoming AGM to include awards / acknowledgements – i.e. state cup champs, college, All-Star, SFL champs. Awards of Appreciation, etc. The goal is to make increase attendance, participation and interest from the membership in the AGM.

VII. Police Field MOU

Matt Richardson updated the Board of field initiatives including the Police Field MOU. The good news is that the county accepted most of the changes we requested including the field allocation and provisions related to lights. A motion to approve the Police Field MOU was made and seconded. After discussion, the Board unanimously approved moving forward with the Police Field MOU.


VIII. Next Board Meeting Date

May 14 was tentatively set as the next Board meeting date subject to director availability. Topics will include governance and nominations for Board.

IX. Executive Session:

MYS Board moved into Executive Session at 8:41 PM. During the executive session, the Board discussed future organizational structure.

X. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM by MYS Chairman, James Socas.



Minutes prepared by Melissa Riemer

5/11/15
Date



Minutes submitted by Sharon King Donohue, Secretary

5/14/15
Date