

NORTH WHIDBEY SOCCER CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Location: Chamber of Commerce
32630 SR-20
Oak Harbor, WA 98277

Date & Time: March 4, 2024 7:00 pm

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by NWSC President, Miko Delafield at 7:10 pm with **12** people in attendance.

Roll Call:

Executive Board:

President: Miko Delafield
Secretary: Ben Markwart
Registrar: Jana Warner

Vice President: Graeme Sandlin
Treasurer: Jaime Montoya

Directors of:

Competition: Beth Sandlin
Recreation: Michael Grant
Uniforms: Alicia Fealey
Academy: Vacant
Webmaster: Suzanne Aldrich

Fields: Sean Hutchinson
Futsal : Leanne Hawkins-Goldman

Guests: Clarissa Gee

Approval of February 5, 2024 Minutes:

Miko presented the February meeting minutes to be read into record.

Public Comments: None.

President's Report:

Vice Presidents Report:

1. Complaints

- A. Three complaints were filed still being worked on within each teams internal network, if findings deem appropriate they will move on to the disciplinary committee.

2. Safety Report - None

3. Bylaws Update – None

4. Graeme also would like to put on the record that he received a gift from the DFC 07 & 09 boys team valued at \$300.

Treasurer's Report:

- 1) Taxes for 2023 were paid for and submitted, Darigold invoice sent out to start receiving their sponsorship money.

Registrar's Report:

- 1) 479 kids are currently registered for the spring recreational season, 26 scholarship recreation players. On our website, we would like to change the "registration button" to a "log in" button because the registration button link doesn't go to the actual way parents can register.

Director of Uniform's Report:

- 1) New uniform policy for Deception FC, there will be some new options coming out for cold gear, NPSL is requiring next season to have all under garments match the kit color, we may need to have our blue and green jerseys come in a long sleeve option as well. Fall Deception FC kits required, in the spring it is possible that a new player brought onto a team could use a loaner kit before they fully commit to purchasing them. A deposit policy should be put in place to protect our loaner kits to ensure they are treated with respect.
- 2) Strategic planning, we need a short-term plan that address the clubs immediate needs so the board can all be on the same page.

Director of Recreation's Report:

- 1) Recreation coaches' meetings 3/26 U6-U8, 3/28 U10-U12, 3/29 U15-U17 to be held at Ft. Nugent at 5:00pm each night. The week following is when practices will be allowed to start for all ages. All rostering has been completed, still need a small number of coaches to fill a few teams.

Director of Competition's Report:

1.) What would be the cost of adding a dotted line for a spectator box for spectators and technical area for coaches on fields to provide visual cue for parents/coaches as to where they can be on the sideline to assist ensuring the required space is left for referees?

2.) Updated parent code of conduct and coaches code of conduct to include language about not recruiting and that both groups must follow WYS and league rules due to concerns reported in the last few months of parental efforts to recruit players to leave the club during season play. Currently parent code of conduct includes "club rules" for Rec or

phrase can be taken out and this coach code can be for Competitive Coaches. If language remains in for uniformity – club rules for recruiting need to be defined.

a. No recruiting of players can occur outside open transfer windows set by WYS. Violations of this rule will result in dismissal from programming and the club immediately.

3. We will need to add links to WYS, FIFA laws of the game, and NPSL for parents to access and review as part of new parent code of conduct expectations.

4. NPSL League Meeting was held and Graeme attended as Beth had Academy duties.

Changes being implemented from last season:

NPSL is moving to league placements be made by DOC to limit sandbagging and teams placing themselves in divisions to win hardware rather than playing equal competition. Starting next competitive cycle - Head coaches will provide input through their requests for placements for league and tournaments and with rationale to DOC for review. Players will be required to wear underlayer clothing of same color as uniforms. Please share this information now so we can give families to prepare.

5. Tryout dates set within windows given by WYS. 5:30-7pm Ft. Nugent Park.

a. 4/24-4/25 2015-2018

b. 5/1-5/2 2013-2014

c. 5/8-5/9 2012 & older

6. DFC Player Pathways

a. Deception FC U9-U19 June-May

b. DFC Academy U9-U19 June-May (Practice Players Program)

c. Futures Academy U6-U12 Feb-Apr, Jun-Aug, Nov-Dec (Sunday Academy program)

d. DFC Juniors U8-U9 February-April (Spring developmental league)

7. The Coaching Manual – app that provides curriculum for age groups that aligns with US Soccer philosophies, has full training sessions for coaches to use, has season planner that club can set, club management tools, they will provide training for use app, they will change out coaches for us when seasons change - the club sends the information to their team and they update it, also includes infographics, coaches can also search through the sessions to fit their needs.

8. We would like to host an info meeting for potential select players and parents to give an opportunity to answer questions and to give information.

Director of Academy's Report:

None

Director of Field's Report:

- 1) The nets were replaced on the goals on the upper main field. Many fields are waterlogged, not much we can do at the current moment. Another U12 field will have to be painted where the current academy sessions are being held, a U6 field will also need to be painted between the U10 & U12 fields if possible. More nets will be replaced before recreational season starts.

Director of Futsal:

- 1) Went over to South Whidbey recreational center, talked to Sky Dunn, they have two gyms that we could use, but we would need to be an actual league not just

rent the space out. Fall could impose a slight problem as basketball uses the space as well.

Webmaster:

- 1) Website update to reflect new registration button, we can also change color schemes and buttons to make things stand out more if needed. We have a way to change our constant contact model and introduce a “key” which would allow all emails to reach people’s inbox instead of it being flagged as “spam”. A fields diagram is requested to place it on our website for the upcoming spring recreational season. Adding a scholarship link or tab would be much easier for families to find and fill out. An actual scholarship section could be created instead. A parents resources tab would also be useful to add to our website, to have parents refer to as our clubs expectations of proper sideline behavior.

New Business

Miko adjourns the meeting at 9:04 pm.

Approved

Ben Markwart