



Columbus Express Soccer Club

Meeting of the Board of Directors

Date: May 7, 2009 7:30 PM

Location: Columbus, IN

Name	Signature	Present
President	Chip Orben	Yes
Vice President		
Secretary	Sean Deak	Yes
Treasurer	Andrea Davis	Yes
Registrar		
At Large	Jenny Carlson	Yes
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Others Present:

Kenrick Ramirez (DOC), Julia Likens (Administrator)



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Meeting Minutes

Red Card Appeals

1. Emily Hofer. Discussion on the details from player, Emily Hofer, coach, Kate Gray, and CESC DOC, Kenrick Ramirez. Board decision 4-0 to not impose the second game suspension.
2. Chris Gorbett. Discussion on the details from player, Chris Gorbett, coach, Steven Abedian, parent, and referee. Board decision 3-0 to not impose the second game suspension.

Financial Report

1. Concessions. Andrea reported on concessions from the season. We ended slightly on the positive side of things. Discussion on ways to improve and outlook for the future. All agreed that all concessions should be grouped together under the same committee/finance instead of separate for different events (e.g., league games, tournaments).
2. Andrea reviewed our finances in the bank and what we still owe for this season.
3. Kenrick brought up coaches being paid in installments vs. one lump sum. If so, how would we structure it? two times per year? Revisit this discussion later.

Challenge Cup

1. Volunteers. Julia reviewed volunteers. All positions are filled. Note for future - penalties for not volunteering.
2. Concessions. Julia reviewed the organization of concessions with discussions from Andrea and Chip.
3. Security. Mark Jones would like us to go through Parks & Rec for security as it is part of his community outreach.
4. Team Practices. Kenrick will modify CESC team practices during Challenge Cup games on Thursday and Friday.
5. Vendors. Julia is organizing and checking on Action Photographers and Kettle Corn.
6. T Shirts. Julia is picking these up at IYS and planning with Andrea. Note to have better sizes.

Tryouts

1. Dates. Kenrick reported that tryouts on Friday and Saturday are similar to all other clubs throughout the state. Sunday will be an additional day for H.S. age players to make-up missing Fri/Sat. Other make-up days - Kenrick will see which and how many kids are affected first.
2. Registration on website. After registering for tryouts have the page directed to links for info, coaches, etc.
3. Advertising (newspaper). Was it worth it last year? Discussion and recommended that we use all locally free routes in the newspaper and radio, and then one paid ad. If we decide to place ads outside the community these will be paid ads. We will compile a list and budget to go from. Kenrick's input will be used to determine the geographic area. Also discussion on whether to use the IYS to place an ad.



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Budget '09/'10

1. Team fees. Need to be completed by the Finance Committee by tryouts.
2. Tournaments. Discussion on building tournament fees back into the team fees (e.g., 2 tournaments for senior teams, one for junior teams). Kenrick will review this and also how other clubs accomplish this.
3. Coaches Compensation. Discussion on paying for coaches' rooms and/or mileage. Would this be done outside the Club? with the Club? or just offer guidance? Moved for discussion at a later date.
4. Lump sum team fees. Benchmark/compare our fees with other clubs. How to do it without losing people? Start lump sum with just H.S. teams first?

Scholarships

1. Dropping scholarships. Andrea reviewed scholarship players that quit CESC. Discussion on needing consequences if scholarship players drop. Discussion for later.

Uniforms

1. Jenny discussed the progress of the track suits.

Director of Coaching

1. Pre-season. Discussion of the possibility of a pre-season fall festival with local clubs. Kenrick is contacting local clubs about this.
2. Elite teams. Kenrick is talking with local clubs to achieve a common goal of forming "elite" teams.
3. 6-6 Rule. Kenrick and Shaun Mahoney will be meeting with parents to make the H.S. 6-6 rule clear.
4. Camps. Discussion on the Earlham camp and kids' demands for the summers. Also discussion on targeting Parks & Rec players more and the possibility of just team camps.
5. Points Kenrick brought up to think about:
 - Indoor facility will not be done by the winter.
 - Agreement with Batesville indoor facility?
 - Winter sessions with individual teams locally.
 - Use winter training as an advertising point for teams.
6. CESC Name. As we keep moving forward, does the "Columbus Express" name limit us?

Challenge Cup Meeting

1. Challenge Cup Committee meeting - Tuesday, May 26 - 6:30 pm at the soccer fields - Board Members.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is Thursday, June 4th.