WCSC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, January 7, 2013

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00pm. Those in attendance included Rachel Becker, John Becker, Darren Cole, Meredith Cole, Mike Corbett, Ray Dolsky, Kenny Erfurdt, Micah Lipscomb, Justin Marshall, Jerrod Pectol, David Shoesmith, Malinde Stitt, and Hosteen Walsh.

MINUTES: The December minutes were reviewed. Mike Corbett made a motion to accept the minutes. Rachel Becker seconded the motion which was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report – PSO Westside has been added to the budget as a new item under Fields. Our current total balance as of 12/31/2012 is \$31,893. 64. The \$15,000 donation from the Lyons Foundation will be returned pending a lease agreement with OWU. Once completed, our balances will be reduced by \$15,000. Ray Dolsky made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Jerrod Pectol seconded the motion which was approved.

Registrar's Report – Registration is set for January 19 from 10-4 at the mall. Hosteen Walsh mentioned doing a coat drive for Boys & Girls Club. Hosteen and Meredith Cole volunteered to collect the coats. We will need to discuss with the mall, as well. The mall will advertise on its marquee and website. The Examiner Enterprise will run ads. It will also be on the digital billboard as well as the Sunrise Reporter and Bartlesville Radio.

Games Committee – Team formation will be coming up at the end of the month.

Referee Coordinator – Meredith needs list of current recertifications and check for \$79.99 to RefPay.

Coaches Coordinator – no report

Competitive Coordinator – After discussing various options, all red cards will be evaluated by Hosteen, Micah Lipscomb and the Club President.

Field Administrator – Mike Corbett is going to take soil samples at the fields to see how they are doing and if any changes need to be made.

Equipment Coordinator – no report

Public Relations - no report

OLD BUSINESS:

OWU Lease - We still do not have lease from OWU.

Budget – The 2013 budget was reviewed and discussed. A few changes will be made. Once all changes have been made, they will be sent out for an electronic vote. The updated budget was e-mailed for review on January 14 and was approved.

2013 Board Positions – The upcoming 2013 Board Positions were reviewed. Following are the changes: Rachel Becker – President, John Becker – Past President, Jeff Bastings – Treasurer, Tiffany Pectol – Registrar, Darren Cole – Referee Coordinator, and David Shoesmith – Equipment Coordinator. All other positions will remain the same.

NEW BUSINESS:

Standing Resolutions – John made a motion to make some changes to the Standing Resolutions concerning Team Formation Guidelines. The changes proposed are included at the end of the minutes. Rachel made a motion to accept the recommended changes to the Standing Resolutions. Jerrod seconded the motion, which was approved.

TDOC Update – Coach Israel has moved. Coach Thurman will step in as coach of the '02 boys. Micah asked about sending a few competitive coaches to OSA workshop. All OPL coaches will need a "C" license by fall. We also discussed hosting a WCSC/FCB night during the high school senior night on April 5.

Closed League Start Date – We discussed starting the closed league season March 9th. All were in favor of the change.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Board Meeting - February 4, 2013 - 7:30pm

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52p.m.

Submitted by Malinde Stitt

WCSC Secretary

*Changes made are underlined.

Section III. RECREATIONAL TEAM / LEAGUE FORMATION GUIDELINES

A. INTENT - It is WCSC's intent that recreational teams be formed in a consistent, fair, and equitable manner that complies with Green Country Soccer Association's guidelines for team formation and minimizes the opportunity for manipulation.

B. FALL SEASON TEAM FORMATION - Teams will be formed using the following criteria: returning academy players who have been evaluated during the previous season with input from the game day coaches, academy trainers, technical director of coaching and coaches coordinator. Players are assigned round-robin to teams and then fine tuning is done to balance the total rating of the team and the individual dimensions, e.g. one team doesn't end up with all higher rated players. New players or players who have not played the previous season will be placed by random draw, according to: 1) age and 2) school. Teams will be made up of a minimum of two players from a school when possible.

A player remaining in the same age division will be allowed to continue with the same team for which they played the previous season as long as they sign up on time and the teams remain balanced.

A player moving up to an older age division becomes unaffiliated and will be assigned by random draw to a team using the existing team formation guidelines.

A player or his/her parents may request the player not be placed on the same team as the preceding season, or not play for a particular coach, providing that the request is made on or before the date the random draw takes place. The player will then become unaffiliated and will be placed on a team by random draw or on a team with the least number of players.

Late registrants could lose their priority for placement with the team they played on the previous season. If this occurs, they are placed back in the random draw or on the team with the least number of players at the time of the draw.

Team formation for each category will be accomplished by Games Committee representative(s) who do not have a vested interest in the team composition of teams within that category.

The WCSC Games Committee has the right to random draw an entire age group when it is in the best interest of the Club. The WCSC Games Committee has the right to form pure age group teams in the U8 and U10 divisions when there are at least 5 teams in the division.

The optimum number of players for formation of a team are:

U6 10 players (to make 2 squads of 5) (Maximum of 12)

U7 (If formed) 6-8 players (Maximum of 8)

U8 6-8 players (Maximum of 8)

U9 (If formed) 8 players (Maximum of 12)

U10 8 players (Maximum of 12)

U11 (If formed) 11-12 players (Maximum of 16)

U12 11-12 players (Maximum of 16)

U14 15 players (Maximum of 18)

U16 15 players (Maximum of 18)

U19 15 players (Maximum of 22)

C. FALL LEAGUE FORMATION - If in the opinion of the Games Committee, with

input from the Registrar, there are too many teams to be placed in a single league, multiple leagues will be formed. The placement of teams in each league will be established in the order in which the teams are formed. The order of team formation is a random process and thus league formation for the Fall season is random.

The Games Committee will try to form leagues with an equal number of teams to reduce byes. If the leagues cannot be made up of equal number of teams, the first leagues formed will receive the larger number of teams.

EXAMPLE: If fourteen teams are formed in an age group and two leagues are to be formed, the first eight teams formed will make up the "A" league and the second six teams will make up the "B" league. If an odd number of teams in a league are created, an attempt will be made to schedule an extra game for those teams with byes.

D. LATE REGISTRANTS - Players signing up after the WCSC registration deadline are considered a late registrant. Late registrants will be added to a waiting list in the order that they are received. In addition, a

<u>late fee will be assessed. Late registrants will be added to a team if available.</u> Teams will not be reformed or adjusted to accommodate these late registrants.

E. PLAYERS PLAYING UP - The primary consideration for a player to be considered for Play-Up is that they be deemed eligible in accordance with the Green Country Soccer Association Bylaws and Standing Resolutions. A player that does not meet these criteria will not be considered by WCSC for play up until they become eligible pursuant to GCSA rules. WCSC will consider a parent request that their player play up if it places a hardship on the player, parent or club for their player to remain within their current age group. To do this, they would make their FCB Academy Trainer, of their current age group, aware of their desire in writing.

FCB Academy Trainers may make the Play Up request also based upon what they have observed during FCB Academy Practice Sessions. The Trainer would be responsible for contacting the parent and making them aware of their opinion, but it would be the parent's decision whether or not to have them attend the Play-Up Practice session. Players that have been identified via the aforementioned procedures would then need to be present at the Academy Play-Up Practice. Dates will be set by the TDOC and posted on the website. Players must be present at the time of the practice in order to be considered for play-up. This practice session would be held prior to team formation for the following season and the freezing of rosters by GCSA.

The decision for the player being moved up will be based upon input from a 3 person Play-Up Committee made up of the Technical Director of Coaching, FCB Academy Director (WCSC Coaches Coordinator if this position is not named) and the FCB Academy Trainer of the age group they are trying out for. The committee will make their decision based upon the following criteria:

- Player Skill- does the player possess the skill necessary to be competitive at the older age group and does it create an environment conducive to the overall development of the player.
- Physical Development- is the player physically developed enough that playing in the older age group does not present an unnecessary risk of injury.
- Team Formation/Roster Size- the number of players that will be moved up will be based upon, to some extent, the total number of players at a given age group so as not to eliminate teams forming out of their current age group nor to fill rosters beyond a reasonable number at the older age group.

The decision of the committee is final and the player will not be considered again for "Play-Up" until the conclusion of the season year that they tried out for. Players will be notified within 1 week of Play-Up Practice of the committee decision. In the event that one of the committee members may have a conflict of interest due to a pre-existing relationship with the player being considered, the WCSC Competitive Coordinator would assume the responsibilities of the conflicted party.

- F. PLAYERS PLAYING DOWN The GCSA Standing Resolutions specifically indicate that players will not be allowed to play down.
- G. FALSIFIED ADDRESS OR BIRTHDAY Registrants who are found to have falsified an address or birth date in order to be placed on a particular team or with a particular coach, will forfeit their right to play. H. SPRING SEASON TEAM FORMATION Teams are formed according to the guidelines in Section III. B, of the WCSC Standing Resolutions with the following exceptions:
- <u>Players are returned to their Fall team, if they sign up on time and teams remain balanced.</u>
- If the fall team folds, players from that team will be dispersed to other teams.