

Thursday April 22nd, 2021

## Board Meeting Minutes



### Attendance:

- ✓ Angela Larson      ✓ Tae Nichols      ✓ Alyssa Rupp      ☐ Bethany Paradee
- ✓ Karissa Richardson      ☐ Kristin Frenn      ☐ Kris Nelson      ✓ Kim Edelman

### Immediate Items:

- Approval of February meeting minutes- APPROVED, Alyssa to post
- 2021 Summer
  - Team registration update as of close;: D1(9), D2(10), D3(7), D4(12), Rec 11v11(5), Rec 7v7(3)
  - Return to Play guidelines- publish as soon as we have it.
    - With updated state guidelines (4/22), Karissa will review and edit, post to Basecamp for review
    - Email team managers, website, social, etc.
    - Will need to share with ref assignors, however they are not responsible to enforce. Also field managers
  - 3 teams for 7v7, what do we do?
    - Tae to email Ryan with Gray Ducks first to see if he can create two 7v7 teams
    - If not, email team managers that they either need to choose to play double headers or have byes every 1-2 weeks, otherwise they don't play unless they can combine teams to join another division.
    - Deadline to respond: Tues 4/27
    - Does a Rec 11v11 team want to change divisions? = equal number in both divisions then
    - If no 4th team
      - Poll the 3 teams and ask
        - Okay with a bye every 1-2 weeks?
        - 1 team plays a double header each week
      - Would like to get this option off the ground. Tae thinks that if we were to have had it on a Wed or Thurs night, more teams may have registered
        - That has yet TBD
      - If 3 teams can't agree on any of the terms, do they want to merge?
        - Best division would be Rec since they are at an odd #

- Scheduling to occur May 1-2; who needs to meet, when and where?
  - Karissa will see what she can do ahead of time and we'll keep people updated on how in-depth meeting will be.
  - Tentatively plan for Sun May 2nd if we do meet
- MRSL has decided to pay \$25/referee (\$37.50 per team) if the game starts but is cancelled before half time. We need to discuss if we'll match that. We currently charge \$15/team.
  - We are not changing this year, but keep on radar for next year
  - Pros of matching this:
    - Referees may not "force" the game till half time so they can get their full pay vs. \$10
  - Cons of matching this:
    - If we don't match, some referees may choose not to ref with MWSL (what night do MRSL play?? Their website is terrible)
    - More money out of teams pocket if they decide to reschedule game
    - Adjustment of MWSL rules and regs; will need to clarify between start of game played vs. people showing up and game never starts (\$15 per team - performance bond)

## Committee Updates:

### Marketing/Growth

- Dana and Alyssa continue to put out social content

### Charity Tournament

- Look to nail down charity around August/Sept 2021
- Aiming for tourney date of Spring 2022

### Fields

- We may need to put nets up at Centennial, Karissa checking in to. They would stay there for the year. Will also check Murray, and St. Thomas Academy

### Website

- Sports Engine demo on 4/22
  - Overall it went well. He's looking into player pass functionality. Has mobile app and would help with domain hosting and getting stuff transferred from website to website.
  - We can do refunds electronically + transaction fee through Sports Engine
  - They do not currently have a scheduling system, we'd have to use third party
  - \$69/month and 2.9%+\$1 per credit card transaction. This seems comparable to Stack Sports
- A transition should take place in either fall or winter

- Karissa can reach out to Matt Lindstrom at MASL so learn about their experience with Sports Engine

## Open Agenda:

- Bethany treasurer update:
  - Our savings account balance is \$12,206 at 3/31/21. TCF is \$17,026 at 3/25/21. I'll be sure to upload those bank statements monthly.
  - Taxes haven't been filed. I have a year of bookkeeping to do before I'll be able to get that done so thankfully COVID and no summer 2020 season!
    - Tae is recommending that an outside person start completing our taxes (starting with 2021 taxes)
      - Helps with risk management
      - MSA has a contact that understands our league and is willing; Tae will get her info for estimate
- Recruitment of board members
  - Need to start advertising for VP if somebody internally doesn't want to run
    - Need some overlap to help train
  - Need more at large members - Currently only 2
    - These at large members need a purpose & direction
  - Do we need to start being a little more blunt? A lot of board members have been around for a long time and if we want the league to survive others need to step up. Maybe call out names specifically that we know.
    - Everyone do what they can do put feelers out, ask your team, social, etc
- Bethany to charge teams who were not in attendance at AGM (list is on Basecamp).
- Alyssa to send out doodle for May meeting