

Fayetteville-Manlius Soccer Club, Inc.
Minutes of The Meeting of
The Board of Directors March 19, 2018
Fayetteville Village Hall

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Nine board members were present: Mark Teaken, Carol Galway, Pete Cappers, Seth Jolly, Ron Fesko, Mary Kay Iannicello, Meghan Florkowski, Tara Blum, and Cort Ruddy

President Mark Teaken kicks off meeting stating that he wants to use this meeting to make sure we have everything thing set for spring recreation season. He announces there will likely be no board meeting next month due to coaches meeting.

Treasurers Report

Treasurer Russell Green was unable to attend meeting, but filed a report with Pres. Teaken, who gave the report:

The reconciled balance in the checking account is \$45,755.80 as of 3/18/18. Cash receipts since the last meeting totaled \$16,621, that includes \$14,590 for Spring Rec and \$2,031 for reimbursed travel expenses. Expenses paid included \$3,590 on behalf of travel teams and \$465.32 for credit card transaction fees for items processed through Blue Sombrero. The receivable balance due from travel teams totaled \$5,012, up from \$3,884 at the last meeting.

The club has filed Form 990 with the IRS and CHAR 500 with the NYS Charities Bureau reporting our activities in 2017.

Funding decisions regarding the NYSWYSA grant application were supposed to be made by March 1st, Treasurer Green will follow-up if he does not hear anything shortly.

Existing travel players were charged a \$50 fee for spring season. Families that had met the league's family limit were reimbursed or not charged the \$50 fee. All agreed this was a good interpretation of the policy.

A concern was raised about travel team players not paying their fees to the league in a timely fashion. Travel Coordinator Ron Fesko stated that this being the first year of the new payment system there were still some growing pains on the transition. Discussion tabled with notion that next year the league plans to have payment schedule for travel players.

Recreation Report

Rec Coordinator and Past President Pete Cappers gave the report.

Spring Rec Soccer regular registration goes to the 6th of April. The division coordinators will form teams the week of 4/9-4/15. The planned coaches meeting is tentatively set for 4/16. And the Season will run 5/5 – 6/16.

Proposed division coordinators for the spring season:

- U6 – Tara Blum
- U7 – Meghan Florkowski
- U8 – Cort Ruddy
- U9B – Doug Gorman
- U9G – Seth Jolly
- U11B – Pete Cappers
- U11G – Mark Teaken
- U14B – MK Iannicello
- U14G – Carol Galway

There was a Rec Committee Meeting held on 2/26. Issues discussed:

- Jamboree: It was determined that, due to weather in the spring, the Jamboree would be a fall event, and in the Spring, a coaches' clinic would be preferred. It was proposed to hold a coaches-only clinic right after coaches meeting in district gym facility. Seth and Carol are working on logistics with final decisions to be made shortly. The Syracuse Silver Knights will also come on June 10 to run a late afternoon skills clinic for kids.
- Rules of Play: Finalize rules for each division Added concussion protocol to Coaches/ Parent packet. Clarified ball size, which was an issue for U8 last season.
- Fields: With Pride resting for the season, the Rec Cmte is requesting that all practices be held at Enders/Eagle Hill complex during the week. All games (Rec and Travel) will be at High School – Travel during the week, Rec on weekends. Asking the schools if we can please have goals on the practice fields. Because the goals are not usually set up in the Spring. Point was made that most drills can be done without goals and that should be emphasized at the coaches meeting.
- Schedule: (proposed but this may change depending on district field decisions)

■ Saturday 9:00-10:15 U6, U7, U11B

- Saturday 10:15-11:30 U7
- Saturday 10:30-11:30 U19
- Saturday 11:30-12:45 U9G
- Saturday 1:00-2:15 U9B, U11G
- Sunday 12:30-1:45 U14B
- Sunday 1:00-2:15 U8
- Sunday 2:00-3:15 U14G
- Sunday 2:15-3:30 U8

- Other outstanding issues: Rec Committee is recommending the club purchase coaches collared shirts w/ FMSC logo. This will help parents and kids know who the coaches are, and it is a small token of appreciation for the volunteers. Discussion tabled until check with purchasing director, Lindsey Stoppacher.

Equipment

Equipment report given by Mary Kay Iannicello: Pinnies are washed, pug goals are sorted and fixed, all we have to do pump up the balls and make sure ball bags are set. Equipment prep date tentatively set for April 7th at 3 pm.

Fields

Fields report given by Tara Blum: Pride lane fields are off limits. And will be using Fields 2, 6, 9, 20, 16a. We have a lot of green space but need to figure out how to align and line the fields for games. Also need to have one set of 9 ft goals for the U18 teams. The 7 ft goals for the U14 and U11 need to be moved from Pride Lane to HS fields 20. Discussion about whether to move goals using a truck or flatbed, or just walk the goals up the hill. Need date for field set up. Proposed Sunday April 15th.

Question raised about whether to line U6 fields. In past season, coaches put out cones roughly lining the fields. But league received positive feedback on the lined U6 fields last season.

Travel Report

Travel Coordinator Ron Fesko began discussing what to do about FM sponsored teams. These are teams made up mostly of FM players, usually older, that need a league sponsor to play, but have no other affiliation needs from the club. There is a possibility of a U18 team coached by Joe

Papaleo, and a U13 Boys coached by LJ Papaleo. Checking on possibility of a U13 girls. Teams need to be affiliated with a club to play in CNYJSA. Works like travel, but we currently don't have a standard program for these age groups. As for cost charged players, last year it was \$25 per player. (US West charges \$8 per roster player). Suggestion made to set up a formal policy for how to deal with these club-sponsored teams. Discussion tabled until we have draft plan for policy on these team. Ron Fesko will draft plan and it will be shared with the board via email for approval.

Travel skills set to start April 29th. Motion to approve \$70 per player for skills training made by Seth Jolly, second by Pete Cappers. Approved unanimously.

Goalie clinic discussed, with suggestion to offer it club wide.

Travel survey sent out to existing travel participant families. At this point, 24 responses. Will resend to get more responses.

Pete Cappers raises point that if the goal is sustainability of the overall program, we could use a survey of the rec program. Discussion touches on finding out why rec player decide not to play travel.

Uniforms for travel, LS is still working on new orders. Argument is that jerseys should be a 2-year commitment from manufacturer so that we don't have parent buying jerseys different from teammates, as happened last year.

Registrar Report

Mark Teaken gave report. Registration update: 393 have signed up for recreation soccer so far, which is in line with recent years. Some age groups are lagging behind, including U9 boys.

The sign went up in Fayetteville. Mark Teaken will check with Lindsey Stoppacher on the Manlius sign. Time for all of us to put up our yard signs.

Events Report

Given by Seth Joly: We are in talks with Silver Knights about the midseason clinic. Planning a fundraiser at bonefish on May 19th. Need to confirm.

Silver Knights summer camp in discussion. We are looking again at last 2 weeks of August. Everyone agreed that was best time for a camp.

Communications Report

Cort Ruddy put up a new graphic for the regular registration on the website and Facebook page. Reached out to Blue Sombrero on the concern about multiple leagues in the region using same program and troubles with multiple accounts. Blue Sombrero claimed the same login can be used for multiple clubs – plan to do some testing.

Closing

Date set for next Board meeting: May 21st

Mark Teaken makes motion to adjourn, second by Ron Fesko. Through unanimous vote, meeting adjourned.