# Nov 15, 2023 | ☐ GCYSA Board Meeting

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#### Notes

- Inhouse wrap up
  - Ran swimmingly no complaints.
  - Field layout was really good
  - Timing was great
  - U6 coaching was great lots of enthusiasm
  - U8 No comments
  - o U10 Step Up
    - They did pretty well
    - Rough start, Josh stepped up because nobody was doing
    - Josh not super confident, could have used an assistant
    - Prep for travel was missing. Struggles were with offsides, knowing basic rules, Nicole and Tanner were super helpful
  - Inhouse tournament U10 tabled and will be brought next meeting. Tentative date → Apr 6, 2024
    - Hermitage and Mercer interested
    - New Wilmington will take it to a vote
    - 8 teams is the ideal number
      - 4 clubs
      - 2 teams per club
    - 3 refs per game 100 bucks per game
    - Mud Bowl players will get dirty
- Travel wrap up
  - All teams have winning season
  - Need to figure out travel dates
    - Declaration March 1st
      - Feb 19th normal registration ends
      - Last day of Feb late reg closes
    - Practices start after 18th of March
    - All things the same
      - Jersey at 40
      - Non-volunteer 50

- Registration 112.50
- Assessments first two weeks of March
- Coaching Clinic
- o Ref Clinic
- How do we choose coaches
  - Protocol set this is what we're doing and we stick to it
  - Lottery / Credentials / Resumes
  - Need to tread lightly to not burn bridges etc
  - Plenty of qualified coaches to handle it
  - We have in the bylaws the number of seasons we can coach without credentials
  - Rules are three coaches, PA West going to make it a law
  - Coaches need to be there to coach the entire team, not just a few players
  - All players through U12 have to play at least half the game
    - We chased this rabbit for a long time
    - Not sure it was super productive, talked about strategies and different team issues
    - Started discussing director of coaching
  - Under U12 needs to remain developmental age, especially U10. Each player should play each position.
  - Tabling until registration presents a problem

# Christmas display

- o Pieces are cut and primed
- Need peeps to put it in the ground, date TBD
- 16th 22nd, need a put together day
- See action items

### Treasurer

- Reviewed the report
- Redid the budget format, new format. Numbers at the top are the same. Income and expenses based on category.
  - No YoY projections were available in the current format. New format liked by all. Huzzah!
  - We need to put as much as possible in soccer investment costs so we look good for donors. How much money gets to the organization is crucial.
  - Easier at tax time to see income vs expenses. Easier to show finances to investors
  - Rolling forward with the new format → going back to July. Already done.
- How do we get more info on items in the area
  - Jamie → we should sign up for the chamber
  - Talk to Mitch McFeely
- Should we do car magnets admin stuff

- If you register you get a magnet
- Do a spot the eagle contest
  - One person from the club does the spot
  - Posted as a winner each week
- Need a list of rates for people and when

# Matt Roberts Report

- No update from Mr Thomas. Sent an email at 2:44 yesterday. Ready to punt on it.
  We were waiting two weeks from 5 October.
  - They asked us for in kind donations
  - Blueprints from Ligo
  - Sent on Sept 7th
  - Middle of last week claimed they did not have drawings
    - They have them
    - We sent them as a re forwarded email (so passive aggressive)
- CJ → We should have a solid number shortly on what the building is going to cost. Verified reception of message that was re-forwarded.
- If things are not rolling by January, what is out next step
  - Cross that bridge when the time comes
  - Hopefully things are moving now
- Jamie → our permit is time sensitive, some of our donations are over two years old. Is there a problem
  - $CJ \rightarrow Nope$
- Rennick, finalizing books
- Ironpoint financial, going to do something
- Grove City Realty, same boat as ^^
- Davick also going to donate
- Jamie → Check pottinger realty (Expo maybe)
- CJ → Dan Dean GM at Ford
  - We plan on helping
  - Covering the U6, not sure. Would like to get you a couple grand if we can
  - Ford will give something
- Roberts company → We will do something
- West Penn Forestry ?? → Not sure

### Brady

- Matt and I took down all the nets, they're in the shed
- On the muddy sloppy side where we do the practices there are aluminum net hooks that the net is looped into. Where did they come from?
  - Older goal posts have aluminum clips → so awesome
  - Newer posts have plastic things → not as awesome, goals not available any longer
- Nets ordered?
  - Nope waiting on card

- Follow up on card from bank, Maggie will do
- Air machine → Buy a real compressor that can do balls, tires, miscellaneous whatever items

## Nicole

- Discussing winter training
  - Everything booked at George Junior
  - Two hours for 150, 3rd hour no cost
  - First session 530 645 (1st through 3rd)
  - Second session (4th 6th)
  - 8 sessions
  - Tuesday Nights
  - 150 cost same as last year
  - Starting 9 January, ends at end of February
- Did not get paid for the fall
- Club Advancement
  - o 2 3 hours of playtime
  - On Saturdays
  - Maybe bring someone along from other clubs
  - Starting on Thursdays the 30th Andy will have practice with the team at George Jr
  - Where can Andy practice tomorrow
    - Canceled cause of bye week
- Tanner nothing
- Andy
  - Going to put some things on the website
- Sam
  - One person going to pay the fee
  - Three people that have not volunteered yet that I need to reach out to
- Jamie I got nothing (just kidding)
  - Maybe regrade one of the fields
    - Depending on inhouse numbers
    - Get rid of the *whoop de dooz* up top (I have no idea what this means)
    - One in the spring that we're not using
    - One in the fall
  - Pins are in the ground
  - Paint machine get refurbished (CJ did this)
  - Likely have to shift one of the fields towards that cart path
  - Christian Academy lined and mowed every week, think it went well
  - Bonus for the mower
    - We voted and already sent the money
    - Jamie wants more sent

- Dan suggested giving him a raise next season
- Would be weird to send a second bonus check

## CJ

- Tractors need serviced
- Dumpster coming out soon (15th)
- Coaching clinic
  - More info coming
  - Prolly January
- Mike Dreeves
  - Come to meeting
  - Do some stuff
  - Nicole → should we discuss with the board first
    - Overwhelming Yes
- o Referee Clinic
  - Beginning of March or late Feb
  - 13 by the day of in person class
  - Need to have parents involved in the clinic, it would be nice to have an adult or two involved
- Nicole → Middle school girls coach, will you please consider it?
  - Getting worked from multiple angles
  - No Conflict of interest
  - Something happened this year that a lot of folx left, these kids want to be coached
  - Nicole → When do they practice? CJ → Right after school usually. It was a mess. It was not very organized.
- Fundraising
  - Pink out basket fundraising, baskets were worth more than we brought in
  - Baskets need to be out there for more than one day, need more attendance
  - Can we do it online → Maggie says yes
  - How can we incorporate travel into soccer fest
    - Tournament x2
    - People there all day
    - Building solves all of the problems
  - Our 50/50 is not well received, handled, or effective. Its unacceptable how horribly wasted the opportunity is. People need to be more aggressive in collecting money.
    - Can players do it
    - Can siblings do it
    - Can people do it the right way
    - No pride or ownership of the 50/50 raffle
    - 2 or 3 people selling, instead of 1. If we are changing the vendors in the spring we can sell them from the concession stand
    - Tabling the 50/50 with players for the spring

- Can we sell golf cart rides
- Should we swap to pull tab tickets or some other option
- Who has the list of local businesses
  - Are we knocking on doors getting donations from local companies
    - Matt → Yes, 90% of the people are from the chamber. Letters have been issued.
    - CJ → I want an assignment of who I need to go and speak to
    - Matt → Can you split this into 5 categories, if each of us had 5 doors to knock on. I bet each of us could roll in 1000 bucks by next board meeting
  - By next board meeting all of the people here need to find 1000 bucks in sponsorships

# Action items ☐ **Unknown** → U10 Step Up has an assistant coach that knows the game. Getting someone to a coaching clinic ☐ Laura → Offer Josh Graham the coaching class, we will cover course costs IFF he agrees to take it. ■ Maggie → Price out trophies for the tournament. 1st and 2nd place ☐ Jamie, Tanner, Brady, Andy, CJ, Nicole, Christy → Plan the mud bowl logistics and next steps to report at the next meeting ■ Maggie → Doing a bunch of painting starting tomorrow. Does not want player help. Adults can help. Andy → Putting Magie's paint in the ground Monday or Tuesday. Andy will coordinate a time for Monday for poly and finish. Putting up Tuesday with CJ, Andy will coordinate. "This is going to be bad ass" Maggie → Research what it costs to join the chamber. See if we can get the info we need for parades and events. Maybe even Shanago Valley Chamber of Commerce $\square$ Matt $\rightarrow$ Lots of follow ups on fundraising □ Dan → Message Samantha about gold book $\square$ Matt $\rightarrow$ stealing clips to see if we can make some more aluminum ones ☐ Jamie → Coordinate GJR fields for Andy's practices and random pickup, starting Dec 30, 2023 ☐ Jamie → Will call turf office in the morning to see if Andy can practice tomorrow night at the bye week □ Dan → Call the armory see if they are setting up local usage agreements post COVID ■ Laura → Send pinkout info on volunteers to Sam $\square$ Christy $\rightarrow$ To order raincoat and hoodie for mower, size Large $\square$ CJ $\rightarrow$ Checking the big mower, will take it for service. Some vibration going on, the handle doesn't work quite right. Get a mower belt to keep on hand for large tractor ☐ Jamie / CJ → Coordinate Mikle Dreeves to help with mission planning, with the board.

■ Matt → Hand out door to door fundraising assignments, everyone going to go door to door to collect donations.