



Rio Rapids Durango-----Board of Directors Meeting Minutes FINAL

Wednesday, April 5, 2023 @ 7:30pm—Wells Group Durango

In attendance: Kate Kelly, Kathy Anderson Wilson, Kim Whipple, Chris Zoltowski, Marietta Linney, Alicia Romero, Becky Eisenbraun, Joanna Tucker, James Hall

Proxies: Marietta Linney Proxy for Jen Heinicke and Kasey Rey

Absent: Janet Mosher, Melissa Halonen, Justin Osborn, Kasey Rey, Sean Ackerman, Jen Heinicke

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:34pm

I. Approval of March 2023 Minutes – Alicia motioned to approve the Minutes, Kim seconded. Approved.

II. Club Business

1. **Communication from the Audience** – none

2. **Facilities / Fields update-** (See attached Executive Director Report) Kate met with coaches and administrators at Ft. Lewis College to discuss the possibility of Turf on Dennison Field as well as the construction of an indoor turf facility. The group explored various options for the college and the club to work together regarding coaching, staffing and referee opportunities.

III. Executive Director Report—Kate –(See attached Executive Director Report). The jersey sponsorship with McDonalds was approved by Rio Rapids. Tryout information was sent out to the membership today. Kate is pushing for an even \$40k in the Sponsorship Drive. The Club may have to pay for the Soccer Awards if a sponsor is not secured.

IV. Directors of Coaching Reports

a. U9-U12--Joanna Tucker Last minute withdrawals have left some of the younger teams with slim rosters. There are big concerns with the Four Corners league and the delays in publishing schedules with partial information. Some teams only have 5 games. Coaches, managers and players are frustrated and concerned and are asking several questions. Joanna is working on options to add games to the season including setting-up games with the rec league. There are some issues with the 2012 Boys team which has lost a few boys to the NM Academy League. Other players on the team are considering leaving the team and going into the NM Academy League. Joanna will be out more on the fields observing teams on a regular schedule.

b. U13-19--Jimmy Hall – In the older groups there have been a few players who have withdrawn. The plan is to look at other options to recruit a few more players so the roster sizes aren't so short. Some of the struggle is due to the multisport players. There are efforts in place to secure guest players sooner. The club will try to connect with the Santa Fe Club and explore the possibility of guest players opportunities and game opportunities.

c. Director of GK Report--Janet Mosher – (none)

d. Bayfield Director Report--Chris Zoltowski – The middle school soccer program is in full swing. Chris is going to tap into the prospects at the middle school age. On April 23rd from 12-3:30pm, there is a referee course with the Kevin Aten. We need to tap the HS aged players and encourage anyone who is interested in becoming a referee to attend the course. Chris is going to promote the referee course and publicize that CHASA will provide financial support to interested referees 18 years and older. Kate proposed that the Club consider covering a portion of the licensing expenses for our coaches.

V. Committee Reports

-**Executive Committee (Charlie, Marietta, Kathy, Doug W)** n/a

-**Fields Committee (Doug W, Jimmy, Kate)**- n/a

-**Survey Committee (Kate, Jimmy, Marietta, Melissa)**- n/a

-**Parent & Player Liaison / Disciplinary Committee (Kathy, Marietta, Justin, Alicia, Becky)**- A letter has been sent to a parent requesting that he stop coaching from the sidelines and abide by the Parent Code of Conduct.

-**Scholarship/Refunds Committee (Jen, Alicia, Kasey)**- Once scholarship for fees was approved.

-**Expansion/Club Goals Committee (Alicia, Doug W, Charlie, Jen, Kate)** – n/a

-**Risk Management Committee (Doug W, Joanna, Kathy)** – CSA has reminded the Club that there is a Mandatory Social Media & Electronic Communications policy. For the Spring 2023 season, managers will obtain signatures from parents, coaches and themselves acknowledging receipt of the policy. For the Fall 2023 season, the new policy will be part of all registration packets and a signature will be required to confirm that the signor has and understood the It is extremely important that all coaches and managers are aware that they are not allowed to communicate with minors directly unless another adult is included on the communication thread. The Club also has increased CSA insurance requirements. (See attached in Blue Font.) These increased coverage requirements equate to an additional \$4/player. Kathy will review the new requirements and make sure the Club's policy includes the mandatory elements. At the next CSA Board Meeting they will be passing new rules regarding referee abuse.

-**Budget Committee (Doug W, Kathy, Kate, Joanna)** – Budget Committee will meet again to finalize the Budget before next month's meeting.

-**Durango Shootout / Durango Soccer Awards / Publicity PR Committee (Kathy, Kate, Kim, Kasey)**

Registration will close on Saturday and there are 108 teams registered so far. There are very few Four Corners League teams registered. Kathy expects a few more teams to register this week. She is hoping for 120 teams. There are several teams from the Pride Club in Colorado Springs.

-**High School Sub Committee (Jimmy, Marietta, Jen, Kasey, Melissa)** n/a

VI. Financial Reports – Compared to last year the Club's bank account balances are a little lower. Kat Kastos will come to the next meeting when Doug is back.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50pm; Motion to Adjourn, Kathy. Alicia seconded.

VII. Executive Session

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, May 3, 2023 @ 7:30 pm Location: Wells Group Durango

Board Members: Doug Wallis (P), Charlie Milliet (VP), Marietta Linney (Sec), Kathy Anderson Wilson (Treas.),

Justin Osborn, Jen Heinicke, Alicia Romero, Kasey Rey, Melissa Halonen, Kim Whipple, Becky Eisenbraun

Club Coach Staff: Kate Kelly (EXEC. DIRECTOR), Joanna Tucker (DOC/ADMIN), James Hall (DOC), Janet

Mosher (GK DOC), Chris Zoltowski (Bayfield DOC)

2022/2023 Voting Members = 11

2022/2023 Quorum = 6

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