

Revere Soccer Club

Board Meeting Minutes - June

Date: 6/1/25

Attendees: Bishnu Shrestha, Rafael Roza, Amanda Miles, Nathan Schultz, Mike Jansen, Lynn Karwowski, Sandor Jakab, Mike Folino, Sarah Fearn, Gabe Younker, Jenn Morabito

Previous Meeting Minutes: Amanda moves to approve, Rafael seconds

Reports

Treasurer: (Lynn Karwowski)

1. Balance provided
2. Several uncashed coaching checks – Sandor will follow up on
3. Mist check has not been cashed yet
4. Running payroll 6/9 to allow for season to end and final hours to come in

Director of Coaching's Report: (Sandor Jakab)

1. In general - positive feedback overall from coaches
2. Bad weather all season – got in as many games/training sessions as we could
 - a. Some teams having fun practice to wrap up
3. Starting to look at where coaches will fit best for fall – which coaches will be returning and where we may need new ones
4. Summarized how teams are doing – many teams are not finished with games
 - a. Younger ages – looking to be around .500 at end of season
 - b. Older teams – looking for more success

Travel Update:

1. OHTSL Key dates & deadlines Spring 2025:
 - Jan 21 Spring Declarations Open
 - Mar 2 Spring Declarations Close
 - Mar 16 General Bracketing Mtg
 - Mar 19 Preliminary Game Scheduling Open
 - Apr 4 Preliminary Game Scheduling Close
 - Apr 7 Game Schedules Posted
 - Apr 13 Spring Season Starts
 - Apr 30 OHTSL Board Meeting
 - May 4 Soper Silent Sunday
 - May 10 All Star Game
 - June 8 Spring Season: Final Day for Games
 - June 9 Last Day to Enter Spring Game Scores
 - June 10 Spring Final Standing Posted
 - June 11 Fall Declarations Open
 - June 25 OHTSL Board Meeting
 - July 6 Fall Declarations Close

- July 15 Spring Division Winner Reimbursement Deadline
2. Footskills –
 - a. 1 week left - positive feedback overall
 - b. still looking for ways to increase attendance
 - i. Recognize it can't be mandatory – but as a club footskills are 1 of our biggest weaknesses, every player could benefit from it
 - ii. need to emphasize the importance to coaches and parent managers to continue to push it
 - iii. If 3 is too many days, coaches could try to plan practice on footskills days and double up
 - c. Looking to move to Monday for fall

Academy Update:

1. Fields were already reserved by another group June 14, not able to extend by a week
 - a. Canceled dates: 4/9, 4/12, 4/26, 5/21
2. Richfield Carnival runs 5-8 on Wed June, 4 - overlaps with academy's last practice
3. Best Practices being shared by coaching staff to try and provide consistency between the teams and resolve issues/concerns
 - a. Biggest concern mentioned this season was playing time
 - i. Have to keep team sizes big enough for when kids don't show up
 - ii. kids will get to play at least half the game
4. Kindergarten went great – extra time was very helpful
 - a. Problem with kids showing up late
 - i. Need more communication emphasizing the importance of being there for the team
5. 1st grade was a little small – a lot due to large number of kids playing up in age group
 - a. Need more information for parents explaining benefits of playing at level and focusing on individual skill and leadership development

President: (Gabriel Younker)

1. Declarations –
 - a. Most teams from spring look to have been registered correctly
 - b. For Fall, will try to start looking at teams in terms of grades to get an idea for next year – most decisions still based on registration numbers
 - c. Playing up will depend a lot on numbers, but we'll do our best to keep kids where they need to be
2. U11s played in the MIST - had a great time - went 1-1-1

Vice President 1: (Mike Folino) – nothing to report

Vice President 2: (Jenn Morabito)

1. Jeff France new service director at Bath will try to figure out storage for flags
2. Richfield Woods will look into AED and get back to us

Fields/Parks:

1. Nathan will collect flags after last game on 6/8
2. Gabe going to look into goal dollies to move goals
 - a. Jenn M will make sure Richfield Woods knows not to move them until after Cleveland Crunch Camp at end of June

Secretary: (Sarah Fearn)

Marketing:

1. Advertising was done through Flyer Place for Travel and Academy, Signs were placed at both elementary schools and middle school, parent managers were given flyer to put on the apps, whole club email was sent, Flyer was emailed and posted on Facebook
2. Half Page Registration Flyer to be handed out at schools, end-of-year carnival, final academy session, and Safety Town –
3. Richfield PTA said we could staff a booth with volunteers, hand out flyers, and put up signs
 - a. Sarah will look for group of volunteers and let PTA know on Monday, flyers and signs will be delivered either way

Registration:

1. Fall registration numbers to date: B - 62 , G – 33 – Very Low
 - a. Some confusion on when registration closes, Bishnu will make sure it is opened until the 10th
 - b. Sarah and Jenn will set up recurring email blast advertising it is open through the 10th
 - c. Ask parent managers to remind teams through email and Game Changer
2. Proposed reducing number of board positions receiving free soccer – possible change to 50% or a dollar off amount, possibly a tiered system
 - a. Need to review By-laws and look at positions before moving forward
 - b. For roles with a lot of hours – try to find more volunteers
3. Bishnu working to make sure academy registration is allowing all players to register for the correct session (kids with birthdays spring to early fall)
 - a. For some kids, registration will show multiple programs available to them, they should be choosing the grade their child is entering
4. U8/U9 is currently 2nd and some 3rd graders now. With the change to grades, will we still allow 3rd graders play academy also, rather than travel being only option
 - a. Will need to look into what birthdate will be the cutoff for academy

Committee Reports:

1. Uniforms/Medals

- a. Academy Medals – order has already been paid for and will be ready for pickup on Wednesday – Mike will arrange for delivery to academy on Saturday
- b. Travel Trophies - July 15th last day to apply for reimbursement for trophies

- i. Mike will handle applying for reimbursements and purchasing trophies for those teams that won their divisions
- c. Coaches' Uniforms – order arrived and uniforms have begun to be passed out
 - i. Sandor has extras and will continue to distribute
- d. Plan to use Hummel credit for practice/secondary jerseys
 - i. Gabe, Mike F. and Mike J. will meet to discuss shirts
 - 1. Mike J has had many requests for Blue with white numbering
 - 2. Committee will also strategize solution for sizes and numbers
 - ii. Printing will need to be paid for separately
 - 1. Second fundraising committee will meet to discuss raising money to pay for numbering
- e. Did not have information ready at the time registration opened to let academy parents know that shirts would be purchased separately
 - i. Attempt to raise enough money at fundraiser to help cover the cost of academy jerseys as well
- f. Send Uniform Update that we will be keeping current uniforms for 1 more year (fall and spring)
 - i. lifespan on most uniforms for sale is Dec because of the World Cup and special productions being introduced
 - ii. teams may get shuffled in fall '26 due to changes in age groups by US Soccer

2. OHTSL

- a. All of our coaches' reimbursements this fiscal year have been claimed, if anyone would like to take a coaching course and submit it for reimbursement, please reach out to someone on the board so we can approve it and keep track of how many we're using for next year.
 - i. May be able to have extras approved if more people want to take courses
- b. D-license course starts tonight
 - i. great way to find more new coaches – which will help with plan for teams to have no more than 2-3 years with a coach

Old Business:

- 1. Camp – Flyer was emailed and posted on website, Facebook, and Flyer Place
- 2. Cleveland Crunch reached out with offer to host weekend camp in Richfield
 - a. Field was reserved and advertising was done through our membership as well as the Village of Richfield
 - b. Half off code for 2nd kid didn't work – Sarah will contact for assistance
 - i. Code: Family at the checkout screen will apply the multi camper discount – will begin adding that to advertisements

New Business:

- 1. By-Law review – Mike Miles

- a. Last year the board began a review of the current by-laws, board members may be asked to look at parts to review in an effort to assist as Mike continues our efforts
- 2. Fundraiser vs. Sponsorship for numbering for jerseys
 - a. Amanda, Sarah, Heather, Mike will form committee to plan event
 - b. Proposal for 3v3 tournament
 - c. Suggestion made to have Kona Ice Truck at evaluation day
 - i. Potentially have a second eval day for academy
 - d. Suggestion to host an event at local restaurant
- 3. In contact with ACFC about scheduling a Revere Night
 - a. High School girls team reached out about fundraising in conjunction with this night – waiting to hear back from ACFC
 - i. Shared the 3v3 idea with them with goal of working together on it or another event
- 4. Interest in investing in a VO camera for the club
 - a. Would like to get a game per season per team for kids to see

Next Meeting: 7/6 – potentially cancelling due to lack of availability

2025 Meeting Schedule: 1/5, 2/2, 2/23 (March meeting moved forward a week to hold in advance of declarations being due), 4/6, 5/4, 6/1, 7/6, 8/3, 9/7, 10/5, 11/2, 12/7