

**GGFSC BOARD MEETING**  
**Purpur Play Area**  
**7:00pm June 18, 2018**



**Present:** Dana, Paige, Mike, Matt, Tom, Miranda, Pat, Carrie, Julie, Jake, and Paula

- I. **Call to order:** 7:00 pm
- II. **Approval of last month's minutes:** Minutes approved by Mike, second by Pat. Minutes passed.
- III. **Public Comments:** Many Parents from the U11 girls' team came to voice their concerns on how their season is going and what we as a club can do to help them finish with a positive experience for their summer season.
- IV. **Vice President report:** Reported that Noel Nyberg will be the President of NDSA. He is from the Tri City club. They would like to still hold an NDSL state tournament which would be held the weekend of July 13<sup>th</sup>. Our teams can decide if they would like to participant in this tournament or not. Currently they are looking at new software, League Apps which could currently replace Got Soccer.
- V. **Treasurer report:** Coaches who coached Sunflake soccer their reimbursement checks will be going out. Pat stated he currently has the coach's contracts. Pat also stated he will get together with Jake to find out which days our summer competitive coaches have missed so they can be compensated appropriately for the days they have coached.
- VI. **Registrar report:** Stated that the club currently uses two systems, Got Soccer and Blue Sombrero and the two systems do not talk to each other. Suggested that maybe we need to look into investing in a web site where everything is in one place.
- VII. **Web Update/PR report** All practice schedules have been updated to our web site. The calendars for practices only Matt can edit them and he is in the process of putting the GGFSC tournament sponsors out on the web site. PR side, Julie has been posting pictures on Facebook, twitter and Instagram of the Tri City Tournament.
- VIII. **Fundraising Report:** Tents for our tournament will be put up on Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Currently we have received \$12,000 worth of donations, which are a combination of cash and in kind donations and currently working on getting a few more.
- IX. **Equipment/Uniforms:** Chad will be sending out an email to the team managers asking them how their tents and benches are holding up.
- X. **Fields/Facilities Coordinator:** Mike will check out the nets and due maintenance if needed before our tournament this coming weekend. Also, he will be looking at dates to reserve the Hyslop for our fall programs.
- XI. **Team Manager Coordinator:** Mentioned that the code of conduct form must be signed or the coach will sit the player a game.
- XII. **Out of Town Tournament Manager:** Registration for U12B United Cancelled and we will not receive a refund for Tonka Splash or Tri City tournaments but Brookings will send us a refund. Tonka Splash will be issuing full refunds for the U13G (\$450) and U14G (\$450) due to bracket cancellation attributable to weather related field conditions.
- XIII. **Concessions Update:**
- XIV. **Director of Coaching:** Coaching coverage – Jake explained he has a spreadsheet he created that goes out to all coaches for each tournament on who is covering if a coach cannot make it.
- XV. **Recreational Coordinator:**
- XVI. **Tournament Report:** Due to the delayed response from the NDSA on the approval of our tournament we lost out on a few Canadian teams coming. The next dates for next year's tournament will be June 28, 29 and 30<sup>th</sup>.
- XVII. **New Business:** Will discuss the below at the next meeting due to the time.
  - a) **Timeline of programs for GGFSC**

- b) **NDSA**- President step down
- c) **Adult Soccer**
- d) **GF Park District**

**XVIII. Other:** Continued the discussion of the two U11 girls' team to decide how to improve this team's season. A Motion was made by Dana to re-evaluate the two teams and divide them into two equal teams for the remainder of the 2018 summer season. The motion was seconded by Chad. The motion passed. Further elaboration on this motion since no action was taken on the motion, Julie sent out the following email to the U11 girl parents, players and families:

Dear U11 Girls parents, players and families,

Thank you for meeting with Jake and myself last night. Our focus is our athletes. It's not always about the score, but about lasting relationships, lifelong lessons and personal growth.

On Monday night after hearing from several parents on the U11 Pride team, the board voted to restructure the two U11 teams and split them into two balanced teams. However, we later realized that we only heard one side of the issues, and more importantly, had not yet listened to the girls' wishes. We felt a better, more appropriate decision could be made by asking the girls to vote on how they want the rest of the season to proceed, rather than carry out a decision made with only partial information.

The mission of GGFSC is "To serve the Greater Grand Forks area soccer community by providing holistic player development that is focused on character building, technical skills and achievement and community involvement." We believe that the girls' decision to keep their original teams intact supports this mission. In addition, by holding some joint practices with both U11 teams and some separate team practices, all the girls will have opportunities to challenge themselves while still working on the specific skills they need. We feel that this will best serve the diverse needs of these girls and their player development.

I am happy to share that our Greater Grand Forks Soccer Club Tournament had another U12 girl's team register last night. We are now able to have two separate brackets for our tourney. Both brackets will be u11-u12. The U11G Pride will be in a bracket with other U11 teams and one C3 U12 girl's team. The U11G Kicks will be in a bracket with other U12 teams. Each bracket will have its own championship game. The U11 Pride and the U11 Kicks will not be playing each other.

Thank you for your understanding,  
Julie K Vorachek  
GGFSC President

**XIX. Adjournment: 9:54 pm**

**Next Meeting July 16, 2018**