

Fifty FC Board Meeting

6/9/21

Present: Sue Torelli, Adam Cohen, Chad Bradt, Dan Feinberg, Ed Kiegle, Sean Cataldo, Josh Kohout, Kristin Armstrong, Mike Torelli, Mike Nichter, Nicole Brown-Bruette, FJ Zwicklbauer

Mask Policy

- CDYSL policy effective June 4th states that unless required by local ordinances and/or facility restrictions, spectators, referees, and players on the field will no longer be required to wear a mask for CDYSL league games. Coaches and players on the bench are still required to wear a mask during league games.
- We can make our Club policy more restrictive than this policy, but we can't make it less restrictive.
- Board voted unanimously to adopt the CDYSL policy. Sue will send an email to teams and families with this information.

Father's Day Tournament

- The Board acknowledged all of Dan's hard work in coordinating this Tournament.
- 33 teams have signed up which almost half the # from prior years. COVID, other tournaments, and CDYSL delay in posting our tournament likely contributed to this lower #.
- A volunteer sign-up sheet has been developed and will go out to members tomorrow. Plan to send the sheet out via Facebook and through Got Sport.
- Motion passed to allow the FFC teams to pay the early bird cost.

Fields/Equipment

- Barn clean out happened. Thanks to all who participated. Sue stated that there are old PVC goals available for anyone who is interested.
- Chris hung a number of nets. Almost all nets have been replaced at this time. Dan asked that all nets will be replaced by the time of the Tournament.

VP of Coaching Updates

- Kristin sent out a list of Coaches by age group. We are missing Coaches for U12 and U14 Girls.
- Tryout Update – Adam and Kristin are working on an outline for tryouts.
- Kristin asked that tryout information be sent out via Got Sport.
- It will be an "all hands on deck" during tryouts to allow for evaluation of players, especially at the younger levels.
- Plan made to send the travel flyer to the Elementary schools to encourage enrollment.
 - Adam will ensure the flyers are sent to Burnt Hills schools
 - Sue will work with Jamie S. to get flyers out to S-G schools
 - Jay can make copies of the flyer
- Assistant Technical Director – Sue and FJ will change the title and redistribute.

Town

- Jay updated the insurance forms.
- Sue is working on an MOU with the Town for field treatments.
- Charge for outside programs to use FFC goals – Albany Rush will be using Maalwyck in August to run a camp. Sue will send an email to Nicol who will check on an indemnity policy re. use of our goals. Group agreed that we should charge a fee for use of goals - \$50 per day.

Scholarships

- We have one applicant for BH.
- Chad sent a reminder last week re. the scholarships with the due date.

New Business

- Policies
 - Kristin recommended two changes to the Team Formation policy.
 - As it relates to the U10 teams, equal teams/Academy style for the Fall and Winter sessions with a transition to skill-based teams for the Spring CDYSL season. Coaches evaluation will dictate team placement with Executive Board and Technical Director review and approval.
 - For the U12 and above teams, when there are enough players to form 2 teams the teams will be made based on skill and ability to form a higher-level team and a lower-level team. When there are enough for 3 teams, a higher-level team along with two equal lower-level teams will be formed.
 - Kristin will revise the language re. these changes and submit to Board for a vote via email.
- Player registration cut off
 - It's disruptive to have players register late in the season though as a community-based program the goal is to get kids to play whenever possible.
 - Decision made to require registration by January 1 for Spring season.
 - Communication is key so that players and parents understand the requirements.
 - Exceptions will be made on a case-by-case basis pending team openings.

Next Meeting: June 18th set up for the Tournament.