

FIFTY FC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: September 13, 2023

TIME: 8:30-9:40

LOCATION: GOOGLE MEET

I. **ATTENDANCE:** The following people were present at the meeting: Megan Jeffers, Kristin Armstrong, FJ Zwicklbauer, Susan Torelli, Melody Kot, Chad Bradt, Jessica Vedder, Kara Winchester, Brian Brewer, Patrick Luker, Matt Nafus, and Nichole Schermerhorn

II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the August meeting were approved by everyone on the call and there were no objections.

It was suggested that we create a spot on the website to put the minutes of the meetings so the members will have access to them. A file was created and all the past meeting minutes were shared.

III. Officer's Reports:

A. President's Report:

- a. Lighting: FJ shared that Matt is going to research lights for the fields. He is going to set up a committee to help him. The lights will improve our club. We are looking to purchase permanent light fixtures. The Town of Glenville will contribute. He mentioned that the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs have also expressed an interest in helping. He is hoping next year to have a plan in place.
- b. Rec: FJ commented that he thought the first week of Rec went great!
- c. Corner Flags: Corner Flags with two inch sleeves have been ordered

B. Vice President's Reports:

1. **VP of Committees-**
2. **VP of Coaching-**Kristin Armstrong
 - a. Brian completed his Goal Keeper Level 2 certification and has a diploma from US Coaches. He is asking to be refunded the \$150. A vote was taken and Sue, Megan, and Kristin voted yes for the refund. Kristin also mentioned that he was at Maalwyck with 20 players the other night. Sue asked if the other kids could help out. Her son went and helped him.
 - b. Reimbursement for Ojay's Certifications-Patrick said that he thinks it was received. He checked the records and set up a reimbursement with the bank to have it reimbursed next week.
 - c. Grassroots Certification-There are 5 coaches who need the in person training by January

3. VP of Scheduling-Melody Kot

Melody shared that she has started a spreadsheet to begin scheduling availability for practice space. She is waiting for Beestera to be added to the sheet. She asked about the lights and when and where they would be. The lights will be on the U10 fields (7, 8, 9, 10) and should arrive around mid October through the 2nd week of November.

C. Treasurer's Report: Patrick and Morgan

FJ would like a response to requests when things are paid. He also mentioned that we need a new tax exempt form. Need to be sure that all payments and refunds are in Got Sport. A question was asked about how bills are paid and Patrick answered that we use bill pay and not checks.

D. Secretary's Report: Megan Jeffers

Megan is working on creating a document that lists the open board positions to be sent out to all club members. Interested parties need to send an email with their nomination before our meeting on October 11th. Voting for the positions will take place at the October 11th meeting.

E. Past Executive Board Member: Sue Torelli

Sue asked about the CDYSL Club Coaching Form. Kristin is going to update the form with coaches information and license that was in the CDYSL email. Kristin shared that we have 4 new U8, 3 new U10, and 3 other coaches who can complete the online course. There are 3 coaches who need to complete the in-person training.

She also pointed out that the map on the website needs to be updated. Chad said that he will take care of that.

F. Technical Directors:

G. Recreational Soccer Director: Kara Winchester

Kara shared that we have lots of players for Fall Rec this year. She underestimated the number of pinnies but said she will order about 500 for the Spring season. Nichole asked if we could collect the pinnies at the end of the season which would save from having to order them each year. Kara responded and said that the players keep them. However, Sue mentioned that a bin was put out at the end of the Spring season and not many were returned. Kara said that the barn had 162 pinnies and she ordered 300 more and she was still short with the number of kids that registered at the last minute. She also posted a message on Facebook asking players to bring their own. FJ mentioned that on the registration form we should put a spot about pinnies-Do you need one? Yes or No If they do need one, then we should

consider charging a fee to cover the cost of it. He also suggested putting a note out before the end of the season asking for the pinnies back.

First Rec Practice: Jay and Kristin did the first practice. They had to cut the U10-U12 practice early because it got dark. They were able to get in about a half hour with 2 big groups. Kristin asked if it would be possible to shift the time to 5-6 and 6-7. Kara said that it could be arranged.

H. Information Technology: Chad Bratt

Chad shared that he updated the map on the website. He also said that they will find a place on the website to post the minutes from each meeting. Chad also said the Coaches Distribution list has been updated.

I. Registrar: Jessica and Brian

All the scholarships have been squared away. There is one registration application that needs to be completed in order for the scholarship to be awarded. Jessica mentioned that she has been tracking registrations and everything looks good.

Brian said that for the By-Laws there were two proposed changes. He will set up a meeting in a few weeks to review the By-laws.

J. Fundraising/Sponsorship Chair:

Currently don't have a chair for this committee. Nothing to report at this time

K. CDYSL Representative: Nichole S.

Nichole shared that she would like her position to be added to our open board positions. She is happy and willing to stay on until the position is filled, however, she no longer has a child in the program.

L. Field Coordinator Chair: Chris Wallin

Chris was not present at the meeting so there were no updates.

M. Uniform Coordinator: James Preece

Sue said that she spoke with Tyler at Afrim's and he said that they are going to take care of the U8 uniforms first. He is waiting on white numbers and will do the gray shirts first. The Black uniforms will be done next week. She also said that the uniforms that we have are good for another 2 years. She mentioned that the price of the uniform we have is a good price.

N. Player Development Associates: Contracts were going to be shared with the proper people.

IV. Committee Reports

See VP of Committees Report

V. Old Business:

See the officer's reports

VI. New Business:

- a. **Father's Day Frenzy Tournament**-we need to find a tournament director for our tournament in June
- b. **Fifty FC Camp**-Who is going to run the camp? FJ said that he talked to Ojay and FJ about doing it. A suggestion was made to change the price of the camp from \$200 to \$150. The price for Fifty FC members would be \$125. The price for early bird registration could be \$180. The price for the coaches would be \$300 per coach for 2 hours a night. Contact T-Shirt Graphics for shirts (\$14 a shirt). Need to find prizes for the players
Kristin asked when do we plan to hold the camp. Will it be the last week of school? Or the first week of July? Could we work the camp around try-outs?
- c. **Camp Director**-Do we want a new position added to the by-laws called Camp Director? FJ said that he'll lead it and get people to help out. He wants to put together a three year contract and we provide the framework. He will update before the next meeting.
- d. **Oktoberfest**-Oktoberfest will take place on Saturday, September 30, 2023 from 12-6 at Maalwyck Park. We are going to have a tent set up and also have courtesy golf cart taxi drivers. FJ ordered Fifty FC key chains, squish balls, and generic soccer ball spinners to be handed out to anyone who visits the table. A sign up sheet was sent out asking for volunteers to help at the tent and also drive the golf cart. All the available slots are filled.

VIII. Next Meeting:

Our next Board Meeting will be on October 11th at 8:30 on Google Meet. An email with a link will be sent out.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Megan E. Jeffers
Secretary