

FIFTY FC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: OCTOBER 11, 2023

TIME: 8:30-9:30

LOCATION: GOOGLE MEET

I. ATTENDANCE: The following people were present at our October meeting: Megan Jeffers, Melody Kot, FJ Zwicklbauer, Kristin Armstrong, Chad Bradt, Morgan Montone, Patrick Luker, and Nichole Schemerhorn

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the September meeting were approved by Kristin Armstrong and seconded by FJ Zwicklbauer. There weren't any objections.

III. OFFICER'S REPORTS:

A. UNIFORM APPAREL-JAMES PREECE

1. **Board Apparel:** Kristin mentioned that in previous years there was a discussion about buying apparel for board members. Do we want to spend the money?
2. FJ thinks there should be apparel for the board members. He thinks we should have one or two options to choose from and vote on it each year.
3. **Awards By Walsh:** Morgan suggested using Awards By Walsh in Cohoes. He said that they will be able to do whatever we want. He is going to look into ideas and will share them with the board. He asked for a price range and FJ shared that we spend between \$80-\$85 on coaches so he thinks apparel for board members should be under \$100. Morgan asked if there was a file with the logo. Chad said he will send the logo to Morgan.

B. PRESIDENT'S REPORT-FJ ZWICKLBAUER

1. **Oktoberfest:** Great job to all the volunteers who set up the tent, drove the courtesy golf carts, and also sold the raffle tickets during the event. We cleared \$1300, which was better than the speed kick, which we have done in previous years. Hopefully someone will take on the fundraising coordinator position to be able to have more fundraisers.
2. **Lights for Maalwyck:** He is still looking for someone to lead the committee to get lights at Maalwyck. He will help with the committee, but is not able to run it.
3. **Tournament Director:** FJ suggested that we make the Tournament Director position a stipend position in order to get someone to take it on and see it through. He suggested paying \$1600 for the position.

FJ made a motion to pay \$1600 which is inline with the Fall Ball and Rec Director positions. It was seconded by Kristin Armstrong. The motion was passed by everyone.

4. **Tournament Sponsors:** Need more tournament sponsors next year. We need to reach out to sponsors early enough. We waited too long last year and didn't have as many as we have had in the past.
5. **New Aluminum Foldable Goals:** New foldable goals were purchased (6 foot by 4 foot size) and will be stored at the Glenville YMCA.
6. **Bow Net Style Goals:** The Bow Net style goals will be stored at the Schenectady YMCA

C. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. VP OF COMMITTEES

2. VP OF COACHING-KRISTIN ARMSTRONG

a. **Coaching Certifications:** Having difficulty getting coaches to complete the Got Sport Certifications.

b. **Coaches Contract:** Nichole suggested having a contract document which would hold the coaches accountable. The contract would outline that these are the expectations to be a coach in the program.

If coaching certification is not complete and a coach is caught coaching his/her team, CDYSL will issue a fine to our club.

FJ said that we can create a Volunteer Coaches contract for next year. For this year, we will continue to remind the coaches to complete the training.

Kristin shared there are 10 coaches out of 30 that need the training.

c. Info was sent to Tim with the two lists that he was looking for-didn't receive any acknowledgement. There are options for in-person coaches trainings in October.

d. **Spreadsheet:** Kristin created a spreadsheet to track spending on various trainings. The spreadsheet was shared with Patrick, Morgan, FJ, and Sue

e. **Player Development Contracts:** FJ shared that we have contracts with everyone except Beestera at this time. Since the meeting an email was sent to all board members with a copy of the contract that Beestera has signed.

3. VP OF SCHEDULING-MELODY KOT

Melody shared that all coaches responded to her email regarding days and times they would like to have their practices. She is working on creating a master schedule. Kristin, FJ, and Sue want to work with Melody

to help with the schedule. The space we have for indoor practices are: Schenectady YMCA, Glenville YMCA, and Oak Hill. We are waiting to hear back from Afrim's and Burnt Hills Ballston Lake Central School District.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT: PATRICK AND MORGAN

FJ made a request to move the checking balance into the savings account.

Patrick shared that savings does not exist.

FJ made a motion to put \$100,000 into a CD for a 12 month term. The board approved.

Kristin checked that Patrick and Morgan received the vouchers for Jay, Brian, and Beestera. Patrick confirmed that he received them.

D. SECRETARY'S REPORT-MEGAN JEFFERS

No one had expressed an interest in any of the open board positions prior to the meeting.

E. PAST EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER-SUE TORELLI

Sue was not present at the meeting

F. RECREATIONAL SOCCER DIRECTOR-KARA WINCHESTER

Kristin shared that the additional Rec practices (run by Jay, Brian, and Kristin) are going well, but the amount of daylight is becoming an issue. Kristin also mentioned that Tucker (from Beestera) reached out to her in regards to helping in the Spring. FJ asked Kristin to reach out to him at the end of the Fall season and get more information prior to the Spring season.

FJ is happy with how things are going with Rec and thinks it is taking off and is open to adding to it.

G. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY-CHAD BRADT

Nothing to report at this time

H. REGISTRAR-JESSICA VEEDER AND BRIAN BREWER

Not present at the meeting

I. FUNDRAISING/SPONSORSHIP CHAIR

J. CDYSL REPRESENTATIVE- NICHOLE SCHEMERHORN

Nichole mentioned that there is a meeting tomorrow (10/12). Kristin asked if there were any changes to the guest policy and if they could be shared. FJ thinks the changes were already made and had been shared.

K. BY LAW COMMITTEE UPDATE-BRIAN BREWER:

Kristin attended the By Law Committee meeting with Brian and shared that there were minor semantic changes to the Articles. Brian is planning on retyping them and sending them out. The only two addends to the By laws were:

1. Only board position held by club members-need to change the wording.
2. Expectation for 2 hour volunteers or \$200 fee- should remove the fee and that should be the executive board's decision/flexibility. Melody suggested the wording to be-By law gives the Board the flexibility to charge a fee if volunteer hours are not complete.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

See VP of Committees Report

V. OLD BUSINESS:

See the Officer's Reports

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Open Board Positions:**An email was sent to all Rec and Travel families about the open board positions. A new email will be sent with the addition of the Co-President position that has become available.
FJ said that the deadline to include in the email should be to respond by November 4th.
We will need to have a meeting and invite the entire membership to come and
- b. **Board Apparel:** Morgan is looking into ideas for apparel for the Board that Awards by Walshes can make. He will share what he has found with the Board.

VII. NEXT MEETING:

Our next meeting will be held on November 8, 2023 at 8:30 on Google Meet.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm

Respectfully submitted,
Megan E. Jeffers
Secretary