

FIFTY FC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: September 11, 2024

TIME: 8:30-10:15

LOCATION: GOOGLE MEET

- I. **ATTENDANCE:** FJ Zwicklbauer, Kristin Armstrong, Nathan Jerard, Kara Winchester, Jenn Walbroehl, James Preece, Chad Bradt, Jen Capello, Patrick Luker, Lindsey Kerby, and Megan Jeffers

- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes from the August meeting were approved by all present on the call.

- III. **OFFICER'S REPORTS:**
 - A. **UNIFORM COORDINATOR-JAMES PREECE (5 MIN)**
 - **Coaches Gear**-the amount of coaches gear is based on how much is spent on PUMA. We don't get a lot of free items. Kristin mentioned that she is hoping to get one thing for each coach, for example a polo.
 - **Soccer Unlimited**-FJ suggested that James reach out to Soccer Unlimited to see about the prices of gear if we were to use them. James said he will contact them and share information with the board.
 - **Fifty FC Logo**-James asked where the logo is kept so he could share it with Soccer Unlimited.
 - **Afrim's**-out of stock of certain uniform items in addition to sweatshirts according to emails from families. Maybe it is time we look into using a different company.

 - B. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT-FJ ZWICKLBAUER (5 MIN)**
 - **Uniform Person**-Sue and FJ have been talking about adding a new position or task for the current uniform coordinator position. The person would be responsible for organizing a swap meet where people would be able to recycle things in good shape that their child no longer needs.
 - **5 v 5 Fields**-The 5 v 5 fields would have astro turf, able to sell advertising space, and would also be lit. You would not be allowed to play off the walls. They would go in the right corner

near the barn. There would be two fields which could cost about \$100,000. Another benefit would be the fields could be used more often later at night and into the winter.

- **Lights**-it would cost about \$60,000 per pole for lights. We would need about 12 poles.
- **Nets**-need to purchase a few more sets of nets. Need three sets of large (sizable). Two of the sets we have only fit a new goal. Also looking into ordering 4 new sets for 10-12 goals. Should cost around \$200.
- **Juggs Machine**-this machine that serves balls in the air. This would be good for any team to use in addition to goalkeeper training. It runs on a battery that holds a 2 hour charge. The cost is \$1800. Jenn, Kristin, Patrick, and Megan voted yes to purchase the machine. Nathan suggested having an extra battery available. FJ said he will get back to the Board before he purchases anything.
- **Fifty FC Sign**-Board members were sent an email that contained a response regarding putting up our Fifty FC sign on the corner. FJ suggested hiring a real estate attorney to look at the documentation we have and tell us what our rights are. Flag will also be coming down.
- **Rain Jackets**-FJ sent an email to the board members with a picture of the rain jackets which come in either black or dark gray. They are true to size-will be able to put something underneath it. Need to email the size and color you would like to FJ so he can place the order. He will have one at the barn during Rec on Saturday if anyone wants to stop and try it on.
- **Fall Ball**-we should consider doing our own Fall Ball season next year. CDYSL has dropped the ball again this year and games are at Luther Forest.
- **Affirm's Fall Ball**-the cost for Fall ball is \$250 per team. We have a total of 7 teams participating. FJ will call and pay the amount owed.
- **Uniforms**-due to the shortage of items available at Afrim's we should send a link to our Fifty FC store to families. FJ asked Megan to send the email with the link to all families.

C. VICE PRESIDENT

1. VP OF COACHING-KRISTIN ARMSTRONG (5 MIN)

- **Scholarship email**-there was a scholarship request that was sent via email that was overlooked. Board decided to award the scholarship to the family since we budgeted to award a total of 6 scholarships for this year.
- **Oak Hill**-spoke to Carol and our dates were not on the calendar. She needs the agreement paperwork and the certificate of insurance. Send all the documents to Dave and also Carol. Our time at Oak Hill begins on November 4th and goes until the end of March. This space is for the younger players since it is small.
- **Refund U10 Girl Player**-This player only attended one practice. FJ said he didn't have a problem refunding. Patrick, Kara, and Megan said yes to refund it. Patrick said he will take care of the refund.
- **U16 Boys**-Have all the U16 boys teams been refunded? Patrick said he will double check if the 5 families have been refunded.
- **Jen Capello**-she has offered to help with registrar and work with Nathan. FJ thanked her and welcomed her to the position. FJ asked if contact information can be shared with Brian so he can set up a Zoom meeting with them to talk about the position.

2. VP of SCHEDULING-JENN FRITZ-WALBROHEL (5 MIN)

- **Oak Hill**-getting all the paperwork together to send to Dave and Carol
- **Glenville YMCA**-they have the same days as last year available (M, T, and Th)
- **Schenectady YMCA**-have not heard from them. Going to call and follow up with Dave
- **Burnt Hills**-will contact Amy to see about getting the same days and times as last year (Pashley-W, TH)
- **Dates**-looking to start indoor practices around November 4th or the date might be pushed back if we get lights.

- **Lights from Admar**-Patrick shared that the invoice for lights last Fall was for the amount of \$2,500.

C. TREASURER-PATRICK AND MORGAN (5 MIN)

- **U16 Boys**-will take care of any refunds for U16 Boys
- **Nisky refund**- FJ asked if a refund had been issued to Niskayuna from the Father's Day tournament. One of the coaches had reached out to him. Patrick double checked the bank statement and a refund has been issued to them. FJ was going to reach out and let them know that it was sent.

D. SECRETARY-MEGAN JEFFERS (5 MIN)

- **Elks Shootout**- FJ asked me to send an email to let them know that they can home on 14th during Rec (9-11:30). They will have a spot in the south west corner
- **Got Sport Rec & Travel Email List**-How do you update the list? Chad said that everyone registered for rec and travel should be moved into a new distribution list. He was going to create one.
- **Oktoberfest**-Sign Up Genius was sent to all members asking for donations and also for volunteers to help on the 28th of September. The day to bring donations is the 27th of September.

E. PAST EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER-SUE TORELLI (5 MIN)

- Not present at the meeting

F. RECREATIONAL SOCCER DIRECTOR-KARA WINCHESTER

- **Pinnies**-should be delivered on Friday. There was an issue with the color and the logos were put on both sides. The pinnies are an orange color.
- **Help Close Up Rec**-looking for someone who could help occasionally close up Rec on a Saturday morning. Patrick said he would be able to.
- **Traffic**-could the other gate be opened and also have signs posted to show how to exit during the transition

between the two sessions. It is difficult since our enrollment has increased for families to enter and exit. FJ said he has a key to open the other gate.

- **Email**-A reminder email will be sent to all families with the time and also mention the Elks Club Shootout.
- **Square Reader**-has the info to use it for concession

G. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR-CHAD BRADT (5 MIN)

- Updated contact list has been created
- Filling his position-still looking for someone to fill his position

H. REGISTRAR-BRIAN BREWER (5 MIN)

- Not present at the meeting
- Nathan and Jen were told that they will receive information from Brian about the position as he was working on creating a document that lists what to do.

I. CDYSL REPRESENTATIVE (5 MIN)

J. Tournament Director-LINDSEY KERBY (5 MIN)

- FJ asked if a \$1,000 platinum package could be created for the tournament. He also mentioned a \$2,500 uniform sponsor package being created.

IV. OLD BUSINESS (5 MINUTES)

V. NEW BUSINESS (5 MINUTES)

VI. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR (5 MINUTES)

VII. NEXT MEETING: October 9, 2024 AT 8:30pm

VIII. ADJOURNMENT-Meeting was adjourned at 9:50pm