

WR Kickers Board Meeting Minutes
May 21st, 2023

Attendance: Jen, Phil, Megan, Karen, Malissa, Ron, Mike, Darin, Amy, Rachel

Excused: Larrie, Brian

Also in attendance: Cat Pidgeon

Meeting called to order: 6:05

Review Meeting Minutes from last board meeting:

- https://docs.google.com/document/d/1H9fNfnxu9hSA-jIGxQqfuag9_DyOfk1RxL8r0c2P_LI/edit?usp=drivesdk
- A motion was made to approve the minutes by Ron and seconded by Malissa. The motion was approved.

- President Updates: Megan
 - U10 girls have been reported as practicing headers at practice which is not allowed by WYSA rules. We will ask Darin to follow up with the coaches.
 - U11 Developmental - We have a good group of U10 players looking for more fall games. There is a U11 development state league and the cost is \$564 for the team. Megan would like to trial this to see how it goes. It would include a pool roster, so some would play tournaments only, and some would do league games. There are possibly 5 PCYS families that are also interested. A motion was made by Jen and seconded Mike to approve a U11 developmental state league team. The motion passed. Megan and Malissa abstained due to children on the team.
 - A Kickers parent mentioned the Rotary club may buy a bottle filler/drinking fountain for the fields. More information to come.

- Vice President Updates: Mike
 - Nothing to report

- Secretary Updates: Rachel
 - Weeknight concessions made roughly \$500 for last season. We had issues getting people to open and close during the week. Do we want to have league night concessions on nights with 3 or more games? A motion was made by Megan and seconded by Jen to discontinue league night concessions this season. We will cover the WIAA tournament nights that were requested by Jim Wendels. The motion passed.

- Communication Updates: Phil
 - Working on tournament and tournament schedule.
 - Mini clash and state league tryout links have been added to the website

- Treasurer updates: Larrie - not in attendance

- Registrar Updates: Karen
 - Registration Fees 2023-2024 season
 - Tournament fees have increased which is driving a need to increase player fees. Karen provided detailed cost estimates across the age brackets that the board reviewed.
 - A motion was made by Ron and seconded by Amy to increase the fall or spring only registrations by \$50 increase fall and to increase the full year registration by \$75. The motion passed.
 - Academy - Fall - open on June 1st so parents can register right away before school is out. The registration fee was \$80 previously. The older group will likely have games in the fall beyond the tournament, but details are not known yet. This may cause a need to line fields, which would be an extra cost.
 - A motion was made by Ron and seconded by Megan to keep the registration at \$80. The motion passed.
 - Sign ups will run from June 1 - July 15,
State league U12-U15 registration will open on June 16 at noon and U16+ on June 23 at noon. Those players have 24-48 hours to register or they lose their spot.
- Tournament Updates: Malissa
 - 58 teams registered - 24 rosters with 0 members, 15 teams have not paid. Contact has been made with all of these teams.
 - The schedule has been finalized.
 - The apparel order is up and running.
 - We have golf carts donated from Tri City.
 - Raffle baskets info has been sent to the teams.
 - On-site registration is only needed for teams with guest passes from another club or out of state. Everything else is done at game time with normal rosters.
 - Appleton Trophy is giving us the U10 and under medals at cost. This will include medals for the Academy tournament as well.
 - Mike is doing banners for U11+ trophies for 1st & 2nd place, as well as printing sponsor banners.
- Director of Coaching: Darin
 - Nothing to report
- Director of Player Development: Brian
 - State league tryouts
 - U15 - we have 3 evaluators, and Megan will help with registration. Keith/Shawn will run the tryouts.
 - U13 - we have 2 evaluators and need 1 more evaluator for Fri - Megan will run the tryouts. Her son, who is trying out for the team, will have an independent evaluation done prior to tryouts.

- Referee Coordinator: Amy/Rae
 - Amy made a proposal and Karen seconded that Amy and Rae be co-referee coordinators with a single vote on the board. The motion passed.
 - Mentoring program - a headset was ordered to allow a referee mentor to speak with the head referee during games to help newer or younger referees.
 - We have 38 refs signed up for the tournament.
 - May need a few more for U9/10 games
 - Refs getting paid over \$600 will need to fill out a W9.
- Academy Director: Amy
 - Amy has submitted her resignation as Academy Director.
 - Proposal for New Academy Director - the position will need to be posted and applicants need to apply. The board can approve via email or at the next board meeting.
 - On 6/21/23, the board was emailed Cat Pidgeon's application. Darin made a motion and Karen seconded it to approve Cat as the Academy Director to fulfill the remaining time of Amy's position. The motion passed with yes votes from 9 board members. Mike and Larrie did not vote.
 - Fall season - The flyer will be updated and sent to the board for approval
 - Megan will add this to the Kickers flyer that will be sent out to the schools to distribute.
- Volunteer Coordinator: Jen
 - Sign up genius just went out for tournament volunteers and is already about half full
- Member at Large: Ron - nothing to report
- A suggestion was made to look into walking in the local parades (Cranberry Blossom or Rekindle the Spirit). This will be considered in future meetings.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, July 20th 6pm (team forming 7/18)

A motion was made by Phil and seconded by Mike to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.