

WR Kickers Board Meeting Minutes
April 6th, 2023

Attendance: Phil, Brian, Malissa, Karen, Rachel, Amy, Megan, Darin, Jen,

Excused: Larrie, Mike, Ron

Meeting called to order: 6:02 pm

Review Meeting Minutes from last board meeting:

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A motion was made by Phil and seconded by Karen to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

- President Updates: Megan
 - Indoor Tournament
 - 37 teams (last year 54) - Stevens Point was on spring break
 - Approx \$3500 profit (minus concessions, ref fees)
 - One incident with WR coach and referee, a warning was issued to the coach at the tournament
 - A request was made to use TeamSnap for registration, waiver and scheduling next year, for the cost of approx \$300
 - A motion was made by Jenl and seconded by Darin to approve the use of TeamSnap for next year's indoor tournament. The motion passed.
 - ODP Spring Session
 - The Rapids ODP session sold out in about 24 hours. A wait list has been started, and Katy Bickelhaupt may help, if needed.
 - It runs for 6 weeks on Mondays from 6-7:30, starting April 17.
 - April 3 v 3 sessions
 - 3 more sessions were added for April. These have been well attended.
 - Coaching clinics May 2 and May 9th
 - WYSA - tactical training and goalie will be offered in Rapids
 - Will need at least 11 kids U13 and up volunteers (5:30-7:30)
 - Darin will send out a reminder
 - Coaches request for Porta Pot
 - Megan will check into prices and will send an email for approval
 - Volunteer sign up for LHS Girls concessions
 - LHS Girls have requested we run concessions 4/20 & 5/2, 5:30-8:30 at Washington Fields
 - Jen will send out a volunteer request
 - Rachel will contact Chris about ordering food for these nights
 - Closed Session Item
 - A motion was made by Brian and seconded by Darin to go into a closed session. The motion passed.
 - CWU U12 team - registered under Kickers but follow CWU rules

- Rules were changed for the CWU in regards to coaching requirements after the season started. This was done with only a portion of the CWU board invited to the meeting.
- Concerns have been voiced by parent around negative coaching from the assistant coach
- Do we move to a Rapids Kickers state league team or stay with CWU?
 - Brian made a motion to have a Kickers U13 state league team for 2023-2024 season, Jen seconded. The motion passed.
 - Mike & Larrie voted virtually
 - Malissa, Megan, Phil, Rachel abstained from voting
 - Ron was not in attendance and did not vote
 - Jen made a motion to withdraw from the CWU state league teams at this time, Amy seconded. The motion passed.
- A motion was made by Phil and seconded by Brian to move back into an open session. The motion passed.

- Vice President Updates: Mike - not in attendance
 - Sail flags need 1 month lead time

- Secretary Updates: Rachel -
 - Question - did we get any concession coordinators - no
 - We will be looking at about 10 nights where there are 3 or more games at Washington Fields
 - We work toward developing a training/orientation session that will reduce the time requirements for a concession coordinator

- Communication Updates: Phil -
 - Phil can help with new managers if there are questions about registering

- Treasurer updates: Larrie - no updates

- Registrar Updates: Karen
 - Coaching Cards are going digital. Karen can print and laminate for coaches and managers, if they contact her.
 - Next meeting we will need to vote on 2023/2024 player fees
 - Will budget for 2 tournaments for Fall teams
 - It was requested to add \$100 to the overall state team fees to help cover field fees if a neutral site is requested (travel maximum distance)
 - A motion was made by Darinl and seconded by Phil to add \$100 to each state team budget. The motion passed.

- Tournament Updates: Malissa
 - 41 teams signed up so far (including Kickers teams)

- There will be two Ed Morten email blasts (4/9 - WI, MN, and one other blast) to help get more teams
 - Basket info was discussed at the coaches meeting
 - Sponsorships donations are at about \$3700 to date
 - Next tournament meeting is 4/12
- Director of Coaching: Darin
 - Ryan Pigeon will help with Fickey's team but can't coach alone because under 18
 - Amy Torke will help Kandler's team
- Director of Player Development: Brian
 - U15 State League Tryouts Proposed dates by Coaches are June 6th with rain-date June 8th, 6:00-8:00pm
 - Darin will find evaluators and can help run tryouts
 - We have not been able to set up Challenger camp
 - Should we look at running our own camp, led by high schoolers, run it evenings in July or August
 - Proposed dates of July 18-21
 - Pay high schoolers to run the curriculum that is put together
 - We will continue to look into this
- Referee Coordinator: Amy
 - Referee Clinic - new referee clinic on 4/22 - in Rapids, Amy will be at that class
 - State league refs have been set
 - Working on assigning refs for the CWSL games
- Academy Director: Amy
 - 25 registered so far
 - We have 9 coaches signed up
 - Looking at maybe having a game with Point for the older group if possible
- Volunteer Coordinator: Jen
 - Volunteer hour fines have been paid
- Member at Large: Ron - not in attendance

Motion to adjourn was made by Phil and seconded by Jen. The motion passed.

Next Meeting Date: Sunday, May 21st, 6:30 at Washington (weather permitted) or Central Office