
West-Mont United Soccer Association

Character - Sportsmanship - Teamwork

Purpose: **West-Mont United Board Meeting**

Date: **September 18,2024**

Time: **7:00 PM**

Location: **Clubhouse**

Board Members Present: Glenn Richardson,Dave Santos, Jim Daniels

Employees & Trustees: Steve Sawyer, Michael Oplinger, Brett Illig, JJ Sands, Hanna Roberts, Brian Royds, Rick Evans

Attendees: Jason Musselman, Phil Griffiths, Greg Silverman, Brittany Troutman, Rosaria Richardson, Agnieszka Krzywdzinska, Iwona Galani,
Mark Cross, Ross Popko, Nandini Mehra

Recorded by: Michael Oplinger

President			
Call to Order	Glenn calls a meeting to order.		
General Meeting			
Introduction/Election- Glenn Richardson	- Welcomes members and introduces board members, trustees		

<p>Program Updates - Steve Sawyer</p>	<p>Executive Director Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Satori Survey Results -Summer Recap <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Club Festival and 3v3 -Summer Camps -Summer Select -WPSL -Mens Team -HS Summer League -Travel Camps -Battle at Hilltop -Staff Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Technical Director – hired, will be announced soon -Tournament Director -Paul Lucas, been involved with the club behind the scenes for years -Travel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Chris Cashion Zone 1 and Megan Geldernick Zone 2 -Upcoming Programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Election Day camp -SSD, DTP, Futsal -MLK Day camp -Club Calendar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Fun Day November 2 -Beef and Beer November 8 -Fall Finale - November 23 and 24 -E64 Quarterfinals - January 10 		
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General Updates- Richardson	<p>Field Conditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Historically, seed and water right after BAH Drought combined with limited irrigation capabilities have caused the back fields to shut down. Historically, they would turn to dirt. To fix fields, would be tens of thousands of dollars. Shifting fields offsite is temporary. Accelerating plan to dig well for irrigation on the back fields. Q: Any thought to devoting fields to IM only? IM kids just want to play, don't particularly care about field standards. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A: Because of travel volume, we need to use all fields. We also need them for larger events and top flight rentals. Q: Send the coaches email proactively when we know the field conditions might be an issue. IM parents don't know club leadership, would rather hear from their coaches. Maybe get someone on school board. Communicate to coaches when they will be sharing a field. A: Good feedback and things we will consider. We need to improve communication. Logistical issues with moving offsite midweek. Maybe we can reserve fields even if we don't use them. <p>Land Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Township is mandating us to put in parking to support bike trial and put a walkway across the front of the complex. We want to support the community but there are liability concerns, maintenance costs, etc. We needed to hire a lawyer to handle this issue. Summary of the plan- two turf fields, lights, office space, pavilion. Regraded grass. Q: What's the timeline once we're through the township issues? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It's about timing, given the disruption to our fields. We will likely need to phase the project for budget reasons. Q: Is the project definitely happening or in danger because of the township? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A: Not in danger. We expect the township to work with us. 		
Marketing and Events- Daniels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beef and Beer coming up, will ask for basket raffles soon. Will need to find new caterer because last year's got shut down. Philly Sports Raffle- easy way to make a lot of money. <p>Q: Any thoughts to fundraise for things other than scholarships?</p> <p>A: Golf outing and Beef and Beer is strictly fundraising. Raffle is split. We need more volunteers to do some other events. We don't want to rely on West-Mont parents to provide all of the funds raised. We need to generate money from outside the club. We want to do all sorts of different things.</p> <p>Ideas: Bingo nights, partner with Limerick Festival</p>		

	General Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm		
Financial Report- Richardson	Financial Report The fiscal year and the soccer year don't align. Currently working to realign Quickbooks to improve. Travel payments come in all at once and then monthly. Some expenses like tournament fees are in bulk. -Bank balance sheets -Similar to a pre-Covid number. Working on more fundraising to get ahead of LDP.		
Travel Updates- Sawyer	U13 age group - struggles with middle school soccer schedule and training at 5pm -Considerations: Space, coaching conflicts, AGCs being able to observe other coaches. Then we try to rotate timeslots. 8th grade middle school games: 3:45, 7th grade games: 4:45 USYS sent out survey to get club feedback on birth year vs. grade year		
Registration- Santos	Working on coaches clearances, need to improve Intramural process		
Fundraising- Daniels	Working on upcoming fundraisers		
	Executive Session started at 9:15		
Next Meeting	October 16, 2024		