

WEST-MONT UNITED BOARD MEETING MINUTES



Date: August 5, 2025

Time: 6PM (7PM General Meeting)

IN ATTENDANCE

Board Members: Glenn Richardson, Dave Santos, Jim Daniels, Pat Welch, Hanna Roberts

Trustees: JJ Sands

Employees: Steve Sawyer, Michael Oplinger, Phil Griffiths, Rick Evans

Members: Danny White, Mark Skarbek, Greg Silverman, Michael Connelly, Zac Ruiz, Ross Popko, Kristin Wallace, Adina Doucette, Mandi Wagenseller

GENERAL MEETING:

Began at 7:08

Glenn introduces board and employees

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

PROGRAM UPDATES – STEVE SAWYER

- Intramural
 - 984 currently registered, above last fall
 - Coaches Meeting next week
 - Opening Day 9/6
- Travel
 - 45 teams, 628 players
 - Residential camp huge success
 - Team camp last week successful
 - Training began 8/4
 - High School Biweekly training began 8/3
- Travel
 - Satori Surveys go out this week
 - Zone 1 End of Season Party at Urban Air
 - High school aged teams have started training
 - Coaching Education night is scheduled for January 6
 - First tournaments start this weekend
- Camps
 - Summer Camp 1: 82 players
 - Advanced Skills Camp: 26

- Summer Camp 2: 104
 - DTP Preseason Camp: 29
 - EyeQ : 14
- Tournaments
 - Battle at HillTop
 - Girls: 82 teams
 - Boys: 158 teams
 - Rec Tournament: Nov. 8
 - Fall Finale: November 15 and 16
- Other Programs
 - WPSL
 - Improved experience with better record and better facility at Ursinus
 - HS Summer League
 - 21 teams
 - TOPSoccer
 - Buddies needed
- Other Updates
 - Coaching education- 10 coaches have earned new licenses within the last year
 - Hosting coaching course this fall through EPYSA
 - Sponsorships
 - Renewed
 - EPL Sports Tours
 - John R Young & Co
 - The Logic Group
 - Valley Forge Sports
 - New
 - City Sports (first ever kit sponsor)
 - Plaza Azteca
- Upcoming Calendar
 - August: Score Sports fundraiser
 - August 15-17: Girls BAH
 - August 22 – 24: Boys BAH
 - September: Philly Sports Raffle
 - September 6: IM Opening Day
 - Nov. 1: Intramural Fun Day
 - Nov. 4: Election Day camp
 - Nov. 7 : Beef and Beer
 - Nov. 8: Rec Tournament
 - Nov. 15-16: Fall Finale
 - November and December: Winter DTP/SSD

GENERAL BUSINESS – GLENN RICHARDSON

- Tim Belmont is now the treasurer for the club
 - Accountant for Habitat for Humanity- experience with non-profits and building
- Technical Director staff has impressive qualifications
 - Matt Mountford and Myron Tkachuk are now Boys Director and Elite Player Development
 - A Licenses
 - Myron is a B-license course instructor
- Financial Report
 - January to June YTD report

- Due to seasonality of business and timing of payments, YTD reports sometimes show gains/losses that don't reflect accurately. Reviewing items on a line-item basis shows true picture
- Bank accounts are at ~\$926,000

FACILITIES UPDATE – PAT WELCH

- Land Development Plan
 - Received final approval from township
 - Working through checklist of things to accomplish
 - Will be hiring architect to design new building
 - Working on bids and financing

OPERATIONS UPDATE – MICHAEL OPLINGER

- Volunteers/workers are needed for BAH
- Travel practice schedule for the remainder of the year will be released soon
 - Waiting on confirmation from off-site rentals

TECHNICAL UPDATE – PHIL GRIFFITHS

- Happy with the progress in 10 months, still a lot of work to be done

REGISTRATION UPDATE – HANNA ROBERTS

- Registration is largely completed
- Handful of players need extra forms

MARKETING AND EVENTS – JIM DANIELS

- We could always use volunteers

Q & A

Q: In Land Development Plan, is anything being done to back fields?

A: Not included in this plan but there are plans for upgrades like digging a well, adding power, etc.

Q: Will there still be 7v7 fields in the new plan?

A: Yes, no field space is lost. Larger fields will be able to be reconfigured as small fields

General Meeting ended at 7:54

BOARD MEETING:

GENERAL UPDATE- RICHARDSON

- Kim Rohn is absent due to personal matter
- Tim Belmont is being onboarded as treasurer
- Club bank accounts are back above what they were pre-Covid

TRAVEL UPDATES – SAWYER

- Looking for adults to own positions at BAH
 - Parking, Backfields, Site Coordinator at FP, Parking at FP

LAND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE – WELCH

- Working through checklist
 - Working on the sewer system with the township, DEP, Aqua.
- Asked for estimates to be itemized
 - Need to be able to phase project
 - Looking at figures to present to banks for financing
- Request to hire architect to design interior of new building
 - Not to exceed \$5000 - Approved
 - Architect to provide basic layout of new building/pavilion

SPONSORSHIPS AND FUNDRAISING – DANIELS

- SCORE Sports fundraiser currently running through August
- Philly Sports Raffle will run in September
- Team Fundraising Policy Discussion
 - Teams to get approval, then fundraise and submit report after the fundraiser
 - Approved

OPERATIONS UPDATE – MICHAEL OPLINGER

Facilities

- Fall Field Prep
 - Lance has begun preparing for BAH and the fall season
- Turf Tank- we are due to upgrade the software and the satellite receiver on the robot.
 - Tried to schedule this all summer and could not get TurfTank to do it
 - Not sure when it is possible now

Intramural

- Fall season prep work has started
 - § Uniforms ordered
- Greg Silverman is replacing Jon O'Brien as U5/U6/U7 commissioner

High School Summer League

- 21 teams
- Rained out 2 weeks but were able to make it up

Residential Camp

- o Successful, fun camp
- o Kutztown ran things more smoothly on their end (check-in, check-out)
- o Kids were well-behaved with only a few minor incidents

Travel

- Roster formation is largely complete
 - o The different platforms for ECNL RL have been a challenge but we are learning through doing
- Training schedule for the year is largely complete
 - o Will be uploaded on PlayMetrics within a week
- ECNL RL game schedule is out
 - o Finalizing times and locations for those
- Team Manager Meeting tomorrow night

BAH

- o Schedule is outlined
 - o Using The Far Post for boys weekend
- o Vendors are secured
- o Workers are being recruited
 - o Spring-Ford Boys Soccer is going to work both Sundays

INTRAMURAL – EVANS

- Greg Silverman is new intramural commissioner for younger ages
 - o Kids are U7 and U5
 - o Has been a coach for 3 seasons
- Request to open up game fields for IM practices as practice fields have been hard to find
 - o Board will consider and also we will look into other options

Executive Session began at 8:25pm

NEXT MEETING

September 16, 2025