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Moscow United Board Meeting

June 7, 2016

Present: Jan Boll, Matthew Helmke, Scott Grieshaber, Kelly Isakson, Dale Graden, Malia Odberg, Luke Ordway, Peggy Quesnell, Pedram Rezamand, Tiffany Skinner, Dan Strawn, Mike Stubbers, Marci Wood, Ryan Polar, Lashalle Wilson, Steve Adlard, Jeff Hicke.

Commenced at 7:35

Minutes: Motion, second, unanimous vote to pass the minutes with a small revision

Fundraising

Five sponsors have given financial support. We will provide a signed t shirt to Gritman, and thank you notes to other sponsors.

A short discussion regarding sponsors for Palouse Cup. To date, we have two or three sponsors for the fields. We are seeking nine total sponsors of \$500 each.

Birth year registration and team formation

Luke notes that two MUSC coaches are present at this Board Meeting to gain insights on this topic. We discussed how to address these issues on a team-by-team basis. We will have to combine teams given that we are a small club. How to do this effectively is a key question.

Mr. Adlard speaks to the issue. There are three possible models. One team is competitive. A second team includes playups. A third team would be composed of the remaining players. He gave an example of the Rush soccer club. Players of different ages form a competitive team. How to address this? It is a huge dilemma.

Issues that surface: How many players are in a specific age group? How many players are in an age group below? Inevitably some players and parents are not happy.

One of the solutions: If they are U14 they cannot play at U13. No one can play down. This is resolved by creating a U13-14 team.

Agreement that MUSC will adapt to the different situations. We have to wait for registration numbers to know exactly how the teams are organized. Highest priority is that the players have a positive experience.

Questions posed by Steve Adlard: Might MUSC attract Lewiston players? And might there be some players who do not wish to play high school soccer?

SoccerFest

Jan recaps Soccer Fest. He feels that it went well.

Question by Kelly: is there any possibility of having Soccer Fest in the fall? She notes that spring is very busy for many people. Response: In Fall we don't have High School age players with the club.

Jan pays homage to a committed group of volunteers who helped with SoccerFest and other MUSC activities.

Palouse Cup update

Pedram affirms that things are moving forward. Team assignment duties have been sent out. Food and t-shirts are set, fields are being analyzed, a stage is set.

Z-Fun radio station will meet with the committee. Medals to be presented to teams will be addressed. A contact list has been created for marketing. Pedram is investigating an evening pool party at Hamilton Swim Center. Malia notes that registration has been set up.

Budget 2016-17

Final discussion

It appears that we have a positive margin of 1.6%.

City of Moscow will be charging \$10 per player to play on town fields. This is a concern. Jan says that we should not worry about this cost right now.

Do we own goals? It appears that we own the micro goals, and 8v8 goals as Oylear.

Do we have an inventory? Luke suggests that we invest in Micro program by providing equipment.

It appears that we have access to Oylear Fields in the fall. Can we then forego Guy Wicks?

A motion to accept the budget by Dale, Pedram seconds, unanimous vote in favor.

Club Updates

Summer soccer update.

Team training on Tuesdays and Thursdays during all summer. Luke suggests this is a better plan than a focused week program. Luke desires to see age groups playing together on Tuesdays and Thursdays. He notes that there is access to Mountain View and MacDonald School fields.

A cost of \$75 to participate in these Tuesday/Thursday training sessions.

Registration is at \$50 for the camp. U10, 13, 14 have the highest numbers.

Would the small field at Guy Wicks be a possibility for MUSC summer camp?

Other items

Jan asks that the evaluations of Luke be submitted. Agreement that Luke needs an office.

Question raised by Jan: Could we become part of the Coeur d'Alene Sting combined team? This would be attractive for elite players. One scenario is that we create a formal affiliation that would appeal to our best players.

In July, we will plan a board meetings around the Palouse Cup and Fall teams. In August, we will go back to strategic plan and see how we have done in achieving our goals.

Notes by Dale Graden