



## **Board Meeting Minutes March 17, 2011**

**Present:** Russ Bessemer, Mike Bjerke, Todd Brakob, Lee Christensen, Greg Fisher, Bryan Gruchow, Patrick Guenther, Steve Harvancik, Jim Neidhart, Jon Odorico, Sandy Salzwedell, Marcia Szabados, Bob Tolly

**Absent:** Cheryl Fanning, Christine Johnston

### **1. Review and Approve – February Meeting Minutes**

The February 17, 2011 OSA Board meeting minutes were approved.

### **2. AGM Preparation – March 20 @ 6:30pm, RCI (All)**

- 1) Introductions: Jon will introduce the current board and officers. We will display Danny Gildea's contact information at the AGM on the white board. Access will be provided to ChallengerWay and InsideSoccer for coaches. Commissioners can send out information later.
- 2) Field updates: Bob will provide information about what fields are in use and when to begin using the fields.
- 3) Financial report: Lee to present the updated financial status for OSC
- 4) Camps: Jon and Danny will provide soccer camp information, including handouts, for the Academy and summer offerings.
- 5) Oregon Tourney: Marcia or Wayne to give latest news on Oregon Tourney including the available discount for Oregon Teams.
- 6) Referee Assignor Update: Bryan will talk about the zero tolerance policy regarding the treatment of referees.
- 7) Annual Election: Lee will run for President, Jon Breitbach is interested in VP, Marcia willing to be Treasurer, and Mike Bjerke offered to be Treasurer.

### **3. Registration update - Spring and Fall (Sandy)**

Fall registration will open May 1<sup>st</sup>. A question arose about the need to register in-house players through MAYSA which provides some insurance coverage. Lee indicated that the OSC has a \$1,000,000 liability policy with Hagstrom Insurance which costs \$1200. For the \$4500 per year, what insurance does MAYSA provide through WYSA? Next year it will go up to \$6000.

Currently \$15 out of the \$55 of the Rookie League registration fee goes to MAYSA. Of the \$55 fee for Rookie League, just over \$10 is spent on the ball and t-shirt. Team equipment for in house teams is estimated at about \$60 per team or \$5 per player. The OSC board discussed the registration fees for next year and felt the

fees for the younger ages should remain as low as possible to encourage more participation.

OSC previously used another on-line system to pre-enroll players. It is too tight this year to get something setup for in-house registration before fall. We should first test out another registration system for Rookie League and then try out the U7 league next. If players play in a tourney, they will still need to be registered through Active.com.

Decisions: 1) The OSC board decided upon the following registration fees for 2011/2012 on a vote of 9-1. The nay vote reason was that they felt the increases were too much for U8-U10's. Note the in-house U7 fees were split out to keep the fees the same.

<b>Group</b>	<b>2010/2011 Reg Fee</b>	<b>2011/2012 Reg Fee</b>	<b>Change</b>
Kindergarten Rookie League	\$55	\$55	\$0
In-house U7	\$85	\$85	\$0
In-house U8-U10	\$85	\$95	\$10
MAYSA Rec	\$100	\$110	\$10
MAYSA Classic or State	\$100	\$110	\$10
Spring Only	\$55	\$55	\$0

2) Next fall or spring the Board will plan to revisit the costs per player as well as whether to bring in the registration in-house for Rookie League and in-house teams. 3) Lee will talk to Hagstrom about the details of our insurance policy.

Action Items: 1) Greg will post the registration update in April to the OSC website. 2) Sandy to update the Active registration for the above fees. 3) Lee to talk to Hagstrom about the details of our insurance policy. 4) Jon to put an ad announcing the key soccer dates for spring and fall in the Oregon Observer.

#### **4. Kindergarten Rookie league preparations and update (Patrick)**

Registration is open until Friday April 8<sup>th</sup> so a list of registered players can be prepared before the first session that Sunday. Walk up registrations will be accepted. There are 54 players signed up and there are 8 volunteer coaches, which is enough. The soccer balls are on hand. The shirts will have the new logos. It was suggested that we have high school players help with Rookie League, as they could be involved in the play. We could contact Julie Grutzner and team managers to see if the high school players are interested.

Action Items: 1) Danny will run a session the week before for the coaches. 2) Danny will provide diagrams for the session activities. 3) Patrick to solicit 6-8 volunteers for registration

#### **5. DYOD Update (Danny)**

Danny has gym time setup for two free clinics to work on foot skills for the U7 and the U8/U9 groups.

Danny held an agility clinic for U11/U12 kids and 9-10 kids were expected but only 6 showed up. Danny plans to offer some free sessions outside for U11/U12 to work on speed and agility. The maximum number is 22 players unless Danny has some other coaches who can assist him. How should some of the cost be recouped for

Danny's time? They could pay before each session.

Danny contacted the Netherwood Knoll PE teacher about doing some soccer sessions during the PE classes but has not received an answer. A suggestion was made to contact all three elementary schools.

Coaching clinics will be setup for both Rookie League coaches and in-house coaches. Danny's goals are to teach the basics to the 6-10 year olds and to make it fun.

Action Items: 1) Danny will set the dates for the indoor/outdoor sessions and announce at the AGM.

## **6. Classic/State Teams update (Todd)**

The try-out notifications for the team offers begin on June 13<sup>th</sup> with the U11-U14 Boys/Girls. Todd would like to start tryouts the week of May 23 and finish up the week of May 31st. Conflicts will need to be identified so as to avoid those dates if possible. The Classic information hand-out sheet should be updated.

Action Items: 1) Update the Classic information sheet for parents (Todd/Russ) 2) Update our OSC website and advertise the try-out dates in the Oregon Observer. 3) Send MAYSA the link to our website for the tryout information.

## **7. Rec Teams and Scholarship update (Bob and Jim)**

There is a new U12 boy's team coached by Craig Rosko. Fitchburg has contacted us about joining our Rec leagues together. Justin's U10 team is planning to play up at U11 MAYSA Rec level.

What is the process for awarding the scholarships for the Academy training? A motion was made to have the Scholarship fund pay 75% of each training camp's cost. The maximum amount per award is still to be determined. The scholarship fund setup by the White's has \$1500.

Decision: 1) The OSC board voted 10-0 to have the scholarship fund pay 75% of the camp costs for any camp held in Oregon.

Action Items: 1) Jim will send the form to Bob for the player(s) who could use the scholarships. 2) The parents can fill out the form and send it to Jim who will then send to Lee for reimbursement. 3) Jim will propose a maximum amount to award per player and per season.

## **8. U7-U10 In-house update (Commissioners)**

For in-house teams, we have six MAYSA U10 girls' teams and nine in-house mixed U9/U10 teams. There are eight U8 teams.

Practices will occur on the same field as fall. Changes in times/days should go to Bob. Bob will post practices times and field locations and Steve can check them. The U8's will be on field 11A and B.

Action Items: 1) A proposal to create U10 boys teams to play MAYSA Rec will be developed by Steve, Mike and Greg before the next board meeting.

## **9. Oregon Tournament update (Marcia)**

There are 29 teams registered for the Oregon Tournament and we had 37 registered

last year at this time. Eau Claire had 13 teams last year and so far 4 are registered. Oregon teams get a 10% discount if they register before May 1<sup>st</sup>. There are also multi-team discounts for other clubs.

An open Adult division is being created which will be 11v11 for men at \$400 per team and 8v8 for women at a fee of \$385 per team. Renee Krull created a tournament brochure that can be distributed at other tournaments and can be sent to local clubs and teams.

The OSC will be running a lemonade stand. Christine will ask parents of the Classic teams to volunteer at the stand. There is a proposal that a certain percent of the proceeds from the stand goes to offset Classic fees.

#### **10. Concussion Testing (Marcia)**

The concussion testing was done last week for 7/8<sup>th</sup> graders. It cost \$250 for the testing and 34 players did the testing. Normally it is \$10 per player. Four players will need a make-up date. The goal is to offer this testing every two years.

#### **11. Jaycee Park West Redevelopment Plan (Russ)**

Russ attended the last Village board meeting in which the Jaycee Park design plan was approved but there was no associated funding approved. The cost of the plan is still to be estimated by Rettler. Prior to the board meeting, Russ had e-mailed out the details of the Village board meeting.

#### **12. Player Evaluations by Classic Coaches (Marcia)**

Deferred to the April meeting.

#### **13. MAYSA AGM Report**

There is a new referee feedback form that will go to WISREF and not to MAYSA.

#### **14. OSC Camps (Academy\Summer) update (Jon)**

An e-mail was sent by Jon prior to the meeting regarding an update on the Winning Mood Camp.

#### **15. Scholarship Fund update (Jim)**

See prior discussion under Rec Update.

A request was made to talk to Challenger about reducing Academy fees for players with special financial needs.

#### **16. Lease Renewal for Challenger Coaches (Lee)**

Lee is asking for renewing of the house rental lease agreement for the Challenger coaches.

Action Item: 1) Lee will e-mail out a copy of the lease agreement to the Board for a vote.

#### **The next Board meeting is Thursday, April 21, 2011.**

Future Agenda Items: Player evaluations by Classic coaches (Marcia), fall registration, OSA Financial Subcommittee membership (Marcia), Oregon-Soccer.com website updates (Greg), Juggling/skills hall-of-fame (Bryan)