

ECU Board Meeting Minutes- Monday September 26th, 2022 7:00pm MS teams

Mission statement reviewed

- 1- Old Business- minutes from the July 2022 meeting reviewed and approved
 - August meeting was ECU policy document and by-laws review. They have been posted to the website.
 - o Goal of creating standardized employee reviews had been brought up and to be continued.
- 2- New business-
 - A. Sponsorship- Corrie let us know that her focus is to be getting sponsorships for the June tournament and would love help with reaching out to local businesses, especially as the tournament gets closer. Those that are willing to help with reach outs should contact Corrie.
 - B. Marketing- The coaches page on the website is currently ready for the addition of bios and headshot photos. Kevin will work on the newsletter and encourages others to forward him any info they may want included. The newsletters are currently emailed to families on the ECU email list (which needs to be updated for the current player year) but the idea was proposed of posting the newsletter on the ECU website or adding a link to our social media page for more readerships. Kevin is looking into getting ECU stickers to distribute to players to help promote the club
 - C. Tournament update- David talked about the hotel blocks that are being put in place. Hoping for 300 hotel rooms blocked for non-local teams to have as an option. Hilary Keprios is helping contact the hotels to set this up. Teams are being contacted to see if they would like to attend our tournament to increase the numbers; they likely would want us to play in their tournaments but would likely have to be fall 2023 or spring 2024 as our current year is pretty much set already for schedules.
 - D. Safety Director- Ali asked about replenishing first aid supplies for coaches that have asked. She will check the storage room for supplies that we currently have and purchase any that might be needed
 - E. Volunteer update- this position is currently unfilled and looking for a coordinator. The person would be in charge of managing and finding volunteers for future volunteer opportunities.
 - F. Admin- new system now working better after initial hiccups
 - G. DOC/ADOC- Shamus and JD gave updates on future training opportunities
 - Goal keeper training starting soon, most likely Sundays and would be 4 weeks. Would then resume in December and go through the winter months weekly
 - Futsal- weekly starting in December through spring break. Would be age specific training. There would be opportunities in St. Croix, a tournament in EC in February, the New Richmond Meltdown tournament in spring. Overall, the option for 30-40 different sessions
 - Try outs for high school boys' teams in November

- Discussion about the current league we are in. The Northwest Classic League fits the needs of a lot of the current ECU teams well. There were other league options explored last year with the Northwest Classic being our best choice at that time. There will be continued exploration for the future to help with our teams staying with the correct level of competition with taking travel into consideration.

- Reminder that our focus can be on player development, growth in skills and players having a love for the game of soccer while encouraging them the best we can.

H. Financials/Treasurer- Jordan updated the club on the current financials being in good standing with no current concerns at this time. The fiscal year for our club is August through July. Some player fees have already been collected while some continue to come in through monthly payments. There are COVID credits to be used with the prior idea of using them towards possible player scholarships, which is something that we should decide on at next meeting.

3- Next month's meeting- Monday October 24th

Agenda items- Volunteer coordinator position filled?, any volunteers to help with Sponsorship reach outs, COVID credit decision?

Board Member Attendance (x=present; o=absent)

Carlee O'Connor	x	Doug Morosky	x
Dave Donnelly	x	Shamus Funk	x
Jordan Dow	x	JD Jones (DOC-non-board member)	x
Courtney Reich	x	Ashley Ninneman (Admin-non-board member)	x
Scott Lyonsx	x	Kevin Vallez	x
Ali Jones	x		
Corrie Boon	x		