

MINUTES OF RED RIVER SOCCER CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

April 2, 2008

6:30 pm

RED RIVER SOCCER CLUB

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Members Present: Dan Dunn, Al Hagar, Dave Weiler, Phil McClean, Karen Kahler, Mark Thelen, Pete Cuadrado, Randy Jewett and Marlene Kraft.

Noah Membership

The board was advised that Matt Noah coached a RRSC team during the last week of the indoor season. This occurred after Mr. Noah was advised that he could not coach a RRSC team because he was no longer a member of the club. The board reviewed Mr. Noah's history leading up to this point - recruiting RRSC players to the FSC while he was a member of RRSC, maintaining an inaccurate and misleading website, failing to attend a meeting scheduled to discuss his conduct, coaching a RRSC team when he was not a RRSC member, etc. The board discussed various options. Pursuant to the Park District, RRSC has the right to ban a person from premises we are renting. Process by which to ban: notification of trespass document, send document by registered/certified mail to person to be banned and submit copy of documents to the police department. A motion was made by Mark Thelen to complete necessary paperwork to ban Mr. Noah from all facilities rented by RRSC until April 1, 2009. The motion was seconded by Dave Weiler. Following a discussion, three members voted in favor of the motion and three members voted against the motion. Dave Weiler then amended the motion to ban Mr. Noah from the facilities rented by RRSC for a period of 11 months. Mark Thelen seconded the motion. Following a discussion, five members voted in favor of the motion and one member voted against the motion. Motion passed.

Indoor Facility

Randy Jewett will attend a meeting with Roger Gress of the Fargo Park District regarding an indoor facility and the need for more indoor space. Dan Dunn submitted a letter to the Fargo Park District sub committee outlining RRSC's needs.

Tri-City Tournament

To date, 92 teams have submitted applications. There is a need for more Classic I teams and Randy will begin making contacts to acquire more Classic I teams. A referee incentive will be offered to all referees doing the tournament. The Tri-City Tournament Committee will formulate incentive schedule.

Competitive update

- a. Refund structure -- will be revisited and put in place for Fall;
- b. Clarification of Financial Obligation -- players attending one or two tournaments will be classified as "guest players," pay a fee of \$75.00 to attend each tournament and pay a \$75.00 deposit for the use of a uniform.

Recreation Update

A mailing to coaches will go out the week of April 7th. The newsletter will be mailed on April 4th. The spring season begins April 19th.

Premier Update

The U14 girls and U14 and U16 boys will attend the Midwest Challenge on April 18, 19 and 20, 2008. This will complete the premier season. A new time frame for the premier payments needs to be created.

Club Structure - Randy Jewett and Pete Cuadrado

Soccer activities begin at age 4. The Recreational seasons will not change -- fall, winter, spring and summer sessions. Other options include: Recreational ages 7 - 14 or Academy ages 7 - 10. Recreational players will have the opportunity to move into the competitive program which will provide soccer options through age 18. Academy participants will have the opportunity to enter the competitive or premier programs, beginning at age 10. Guidelines will be set for all levels. There will be no cuts at the U10, U11 or U12 levels.

Pete and Randy will present a detailed structure of player development (Recreational, Academy, Competitive and Premier) in the near future.

Referee Update

Mark and Dave met with Ben Clapp, President of SOCCER (referee association) in regards to referee classification. To obtain a referee grade 8 status, a 16 hour course needs to be completed; grade 9 status requires the completion of an 8 hour course. With a grade 9 status, one can only referee 6 v 6 games. North Dakota does not recognize grade 9 level referees. Bob Seigel agreed to support grade 9 classification for 6 v 6 games. This may encourage more people to obtain a grade 9 status and provide more referees for the area.

Randy's Phone

Randy was instructed to research cell phones and decide which would be the best for him and the club.

Website

Randy has been researching the following sports management computer systems- Goal Line, E7 and Demosphere. E7 will be the primary provider with NDYSA which will also be the long term system recommended for use by RRSC.

Financials

Statements were reviewed and revised (copy on file at the Red River Soccer Club Office). Following a discussion on the allocation of the Director of Coaching salary between the Competitive and Recreational budgets, an even 50% will be taken from the Recreational and Competitive programs to pay DOC salary.

RRSC is also looking at installing a client bookkeeping software provided by Edie Bailly.

A motion was made by Mark Thelen and seconded by Dave Weiler to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.