

Minutes for Marion Soccer, Inc.

Call to Order

March 29, 2017 Board meeting (in lieu of April 5, 2017) called to order at 5:30 pm.

Attendees

Voting members in attendance included

- Jim Leadingham (Pres)
- Graham Young (Vice)
- Tom Kadela (Sec)
- Khara Kelly (Tres)
- ~~Jaime Clark Verbeck~~
- Jessica Evans
- Tara Freeborn
- Robert Vickers
- Luciana Potter
- Jonathon Steinsultz
- ~~Carlo Intravaia~~
- Rich Scott
- Robert Owsley

Guests in Attendance

- Linda Dodds

Approval of Previous Minutes

March 1, 2017 minutes were emailed out to all members for review. No corrections received; email vote to approve minutes was unanimous.

Guests

1. Linda Dodds would like to address U14 team assignments and to discuss “subs” when a team is short. Also her son’s (Cam) team is down two players. One family was unable to register their kids due to being late and the division was full. Cam’s team has lost 4 players; vote taken to accept the two U16 players onto Cam’s team. If we find a U10 kids we will offer then a spot too.
2. Paula Murphy was here – Philip (her husband) was contacted by Murphysboro Recreational Program to train their goalies. He is an MSI RecPlus(+) goalie coach. Board discussed this was not a conflict of interest as long as he shows up for this time here; Board voted unanimously to approve.

Old Business

1. Purchase of Quicken and External Storage
 - a. Khara bought QuickBooks Pro and does not feel the need to purchase an external storage device; she would rather backup to cloud.
2. Sam’s Club Cards
 - a. It was decided to have the Executive Board members on the Sam’s Club membership; Tom will see if we can get two photo ID cards and two generic business cards.
3. Insurance will be due in April
 - a. Paid – Director and Officers Insurance, Soccer Program and Whirlwind Tournament secured totaling \$2,447. 00
4. St. Joseph Contract
 - a. Graham and Jimmy need to talk to St. Joseph re: mowing and will do so within the next 10 business days.
 - b. The Board agreed to not authorize mowing until after meeting the above meeting.
5. Jimmy handed out Soccer Complex Keys
 - a. Jonathan already has a master set of keys.

- b. Jamie needs a master set – she had Rob Vickers’ keys. He would like his keys back and hand her new keys.
 - i. We have hung the key to the padlock for lights on the whisk in the office.
- 6. Lakeside Vet to get high-res image to MSI for banner reprint
 - a. Several attempts have been made to get a better image to reprint the banner to no avail. Rob Vickers will ask Jamie to give Jimmy a high-res image within the next 10 days or we are not going to reprint the banner.
- 7. Thank You BBQ
 - a. Set for April 29th, Saturday at 5:00 pm – Coaches / Assistant Coaches
 - b. It will be catered; Jess and Lu volunteered to be Co-Chairs. This committee will get bids and send an email to approve food and purchase.
- 8. Review of Tournament Team Tryouts
 - a. RecPlus(+) trainers did really well with the kids. The blind evaluation also went well.
 - b. By Sunday after tryout the kids should be assigned. We will then take an E-vote to approve coaches.
- 9. Tournament Teams
 - a. Coaches can only pick from the tryout kids
 - b. If there are enough players Coaches will pick all boys, and all girls teams (rather than co-ed).
 - c. The top ranked kids will automatically be placed on the team up to the total number of players on the field. The remaining roster may be filled by the Coach from the players who tried out.
 - d. Rosters:
 - i. Kindergarten Roster - total: ten (10) players. Top six (6) kids automatically make the team; Coach may pick four (4) other kids from those that tired out.
 - ii. 1st - 4th Grades Roster - total 12 players. Top eight (8) kids automatically make the team; Coach may pick four (4) other kids from those that tired out.
 - iii. 5th - 8th Grades - total 16 players. Top 11 kids automatically make the team; Coach may pick five (5) other kids from those that tired out.
 - e. Once all the primary (“A”) teams are selected if there are enough remaining youth they may be placed on a “B” team per MSI Board discretion.
 - f. Tara will get Tom the evaluations to enter into an Excel spreadsheet for ranking.
- 10. Recreational Program Update
 - a. Intra-divisional Tournament – Games / Referees / Medals
 - i. Jess is putting together a draft schedule. Tentatively scheduled Sunday, April 23rd ending Sat. April 29th. We will use a double elimination for all divisions except (10) which will be a consolation bracket (due to size of Division).
 - ii. Jess will send out draft scheduled for the Board to approve via e-vote.
 - b. Referee Report - looking good so far. Discussion re: next year the Jr. High kids must play at 7:00 pm.
 - c. Benches - there are not enough benches for all fields. Discussion: Jon suggests ordering however they are expensive. Tom suggested to have a “work day” and build benches. Jimmy and John volunteered to come out on Sunday and build benches.
 - d. Equipment- we have handed out all of our #3 and #5 balls. Discussion if we should purchase more; board voted to purchase twelve (12) #3 and twelve (12) #5 balls.
 - e. Entering Scores after each game: reminder to Coordinators to have coaches enter game scores. The computer system should send out a reminder within 24 hours via email/text to remind coaches.
 - f. Donated Goals from Petting Zoo. Two H.S. size goals are currently at L.D.’s house; she was under the impression she could “have” them. She states she had to purchase all the hardware since the goals were in pieces. Rob Vickers stated when he picked the goals up from the petting zoo they had all hardware. He will check the back room to see if there is a bag of hardware. The

Board decided regardless if the goals have hardware we want the goals back. Robert Vickers stated he would pick up the goals from L.D. no later than next week Sunday.

11. RecPlus(+) Update

- a. Board discussed reports that so far there has not been an initial evaluation and there has been no Attendance / Check in sheet. Also we advertised one (1) hour of training on Tuesdays and two (2) hours of training on Sundays however based on the scheduled times there is slightly less than three (3) hours weekly.
- b. Jamie was unable to be at tonight's meeting. The Board agreed Jimmy will meet with her to discuss the program as well as her being involved in many other activities that pull her away from the MSI Board.

12. Whirlwind Update

- a. Ref Assignor/Coordinator is still pending; Board agreed to pay up to \$500.00 for this job.
- b. Sponsors letters have not yet gone out.
 - i. Rob O. volunteered to take charge of sponsors; he will email a plan for Board approval.
- c. Parent/Coach/Relative Conduct Policy - Khara still tweaking. Board agreed to have this placed in the tournament booklet.
- d. Rob O. mentioned the possibility of having one or two Auxiliary Police Officers to be available during the games.

13. SIMSS Update

- a. We need to have SIMSS games and practices entered in the reservation system; Rob V. will ensure this gets done.

New Business

1. When / How / Who calls games due to weather and how is it communicated?
 - a. Discussion Jonathan is in charge of this as part of facilities; he, or other Board member, can go into scheduling system and cancel games/practices.
2. LOVE 442 Contract
 - a. Expires May 31st; discussion ensued regarding renewing. To date we still don't have payment from Fall, 2016. LOVE 442 has violated several elements of their contract. MSI has not seen a good return on outsourcing concessions. Board voted (unanimously) to not renew the contract. We will let them know after Whirlwind ends; Tom will send them a letter at the address in the contract.
 - b. We discussed paying a few high school students to manage concessions or perhaps go back to having parent volunteers.
3. Park Board Issues / Financial Report for the Park Board
 - a. MSI Board approved the MSI Executive Board to meet with Park Board to discuss issues. We want to have a good working relationship with the Park Board. Other options were discussed.
4. What is the policy when a Recreational Team does not have enough players to play (use other team's kids, use player from totally different team, other team plays down); this was discussed in years past.
 - a. We referred to the MSI website under "Rules"
 - i. *"LAW 3-NUMBER OF PLAYERS*
The number of players will be as assigned by MSI. Unless allowed for in advance by MSI, referees shall not allow modifications, even with the agreement of both teams. At the beginning of the match, a team shall be required to play down. At all other times during a match, playing down is recommended as good sportsmanship."
5. MSI College Scholarships
 - a. Board voted unanimously to again approved two (2) \$500 scholarships; one for a boy and one for a girl.
6. Internet Options for Office / Fields

- a. Rob O had various options for review. Since MSI is an organization we must pay business rates which were higher than we felt was needed at this time.
- 7. We tabled the following:
 - a. Photography Company – change in company and/or pickup/delivery method?
 - b. Uniform t-shirts (Rec Program) – change in company and/or pickup delivery method?

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.