

**MEDFORD SOCCER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SOUTH MEDFORD FIRE STATION
JUNE 8, 2009**

Present: Chris Smith (President), Bill Carr (1st VP), Ray Mitrano (2nd VP), Steve Lane (Treasurer), Nancy Avella (Secretary), Lael Smith (Parliamentarian), Tom Heinz (Town Coordinator), Butch Pierce (At Large), Charles Paclat (At Large/U16/U18 Age Director), Ray deRosas (At Large/Boys U14 Age Director), Tom Bourne (Girls U14 Age Director), Matt Avella (U12 Boys Age Director), Natalie Miller (Girls U12 Age Director), Jay Cirame (Boys U10 Age Director), David Gontaruk (Girls U10 Age Director), Emily Paone (At Large/U8 Age Director), Ellie Branley (U6 Age Director)

Absent: Dennis Franczak (At Large), Mike Cugno (Ex Officio), Paul Jacques (At Large), Ann Marie Cugno (At Large)

Guest: Gerardo Panza

Motion to call meeting to order at 7:35PM.by David, 2nd by Tom B.

Secretary:

Motion by Steve; 2nd by Charles to accept the minutes for the May 11th Board of Directors Meeting. Vote 12/0/0. **Motion** passed.

Chris reported that a coach was suspended by Middlesex from coaching for one year (May 2009 – May 2010). This coach has decided to not appeal this ruling. This coach also coaches an intra-city team. The coach presented his side of the issue and there was a discussion without the coach present about whether Medford Soccer would add to the initial decision.

Motion by Charles; 2nd by Steve to not add additional punishment to the Middlesex ruling for the Medford Soccer coach. Vote 15/0/1. **Motion** passed.

The Board discussed the issue of whether the coach should be allowed to coach U6 and U8 intra-city teams.

Motion by David; 2nd by Jay that said coach would be allowed to continue to coach U6 and U8 intra-city teams. Vote 15/0/0. **Motion** passed.

The coach returned to the meeting and Chris imparted the Board's decision.

Chris reported that there were no additional waivers since the May Board meeting.

Treasurer/Financials:

Steve reviewed the Treasurer's Report for May 2009. U6, U8 and U10 need to come up with a training program for the Fall. Dennis will be coordinating the training for all age levels. Steve would like Bill to get figures from Age Directors...# of teams, # of players, # of coaches. These figures should be submitted to Steve before the July Board meeting.

Motion by David; 2nd by Nancy to accept the Treasurer's Report for May 2009 as presented. Vote 15/0/1. **Motion** passed.

Registrar:

The position for Registrar is still unfilled. Chris reported that there are two GU16 waivers to play GU14 in the Fall. Late fees kicked in on Saturday with four registrations on Saturday and Sunday, all of which paid the late fee. There are 38 unpaid registrations. Rosters are due beginning of July so they need to be done by the 20th or 21st. Division placements should also be done by then.

Age Directors:

U6 – Ellie reported that there was only one week missed due to rain so they will extend the season one week. Trophies have been ordered and all have enjoyed the season.

U8 – Emily reported that she is working on the Jamboree. Looks like it will be held on the 20th.

GU12 – Natalie reported that coaches will be meeting on Monday.

BU12 – Matt reported that Division 2 team has a playoff game to go to the Commissioner's Cup. Team 4 made it in.

GU14 – Tom B. reported that coaches are meeting next week.

BU14 – Ray D. reported that coaches are meeting on Thursday. He doesn't believe there will be enough players for 4 teams. Everything should be ready by the 17th. He has one coach who would like to coach a Division 1 team, maybe in BU12.

David reported that the U10 Jamboree will be part of the coaches' recommendations.

Tryouts

Everything went well on the field. It was disappointing that more coaches did not show up. The raters did what they were hired to do. There were a couple of high school kids who helped out.

Town Coordinator:

Tom H. reviewed the Spring 2009 results including which teams will be playing in the Commissioner's Cup. Bill wants to send a letter to Middlesex proposing that U10 teams not go to the Commissioner's Cup. There was a discussion about what needs to be done so that players get better and not concentrate so much on the Commissioner's Cup.

Parliamentarian

Lael reported that Dennis has stepped up to coordinate player development for U6, U8 and U10 training in the Fall. Lael thinks we need to have a survey sent to coaches to find out who is interested in obtaining an F level license. Also need to find out if there is any interest in obtaining an E level license. There have not been enough in the past to hold any classes.

Equipment/Fields:

Ray M. reported that originally the City said they could not buy paint for the lines, so Medford Soccer bought some and then the City said they could so the City is holding the paint Medford Soccer bought aside for use in the Fall. It was decided to chain up the U12 portable practice nets. Victory Park needs water since the ground is very hard. We need to consider whether we will need to use other fields in the Fall depending on the progress of the Field of Dreams at the High School.

Uniforms:

Chris reported 111 people ordered new uniforms for the Fall. Chris also reported that while Medford Soccer had not purchased the water bottles previously discussed, they were ordered and an initial order of 50 bottles were sold. Chris purchased an additional 50 water bottles from personal funds to cover orders for bottles over the original 50. Perhaps we should consider them for future fundraising.

Additional Items:

Chris reported that Members Credit Union approached Medford Soccer about accepting a donation from their coin counter money for July and August which is used to benefit an organization in the community, preferably geared toward children. We would put something on the website mentioning it.

Motion by David, 2nd by Ellie to accept the donation from the Members Credit Union. Vote 13/0/0. **Motion** passed.

Nancy commented on a bake sale that was held at the Andrews Middle School by the U8 fields which made a profit of approximately \$300. Perhaps this would be a good way for Medford Soccer to earn some fundraising money.

Motion by Charles; 2nd by Ray M. to adjourn at 10:35 pm. Vote 13/0/0. **Motion** passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy Avella
Secretary Medford Soccer