

## **Tucker Youth Soccer Association**

### **Minutes from General Board Meeting – 12 October 2009**

#### **Opening:**

The meeting was convened at 7:34pm by Leonard Howell.

#### **Present:** (\* indicates late arrival)

*Board Members:* Leonard Howell (LH), Pam Beard (PB), Chris Caviness (CC), Terry McKinnon (TM), Mike Sanders (MJS), Ray Ziegler (RZ), Brian Chew (BC), Kevin Cartwright (KC), Bryant Mackey (BM)\* Ed Forrester (EF), Ian Currie (IC), Merck Smith (MS)

*Others:* Warren Van der Westhuizen (WV), Nancy Marsden (NM), Stephen Paul (SP), Franklin Lawson (FL), Terrance Dickerson (Guest)

**Absent:** John Petit (JP), Chris Garner (CG)

#### **Standing Items:**

- Review of August 10, 2009 and September 14, 2009 minutes:
  - Minor corrections noted for both sets.
  - BOD voted to approve both sets of minutes as amended: (Motion: TM, Second: RZ, Vote: Unanimous (12-0))
- Budget and Treasurer's report (EF):
  - Ed reported that form 990's are complete and would be mailing this week.
  - Initial review of August P&L's is positive per expectation.
  - September P&L will be finalized upon receipt of current bank statement.
- VP of the Recreational Program's report (BC):
  - Brian submitted letter of resignation from TYSA BOD for personal reasons.
  - Resignation accepted by LH with thanks from all BOD members for Brian's years of faithful service to TYSA.
- VP of the Academy Program's report (TM)
  - Terry reported Academy operations working smoothly 5 weeks into season with no major items to report.
  - Received letter from a U10G parent displeased with lack of physical training emphasis compared to other clubs parent had experience with. Issue discussed by BOD with inputs from MJS (U10G parent) and IC (U10G parent and volunteer assistant coach). Issue taken under advisement.
- VP of the Select Program's report (TM):
  - Rain-outs and rescheduling problems have become a major issue in this season.
- Director of Coaching's report (WV): (Written summary provided.)
  - TYSA allowing 30 GSA teams to practice at our facilities due to flood damage incurred at GSA facilities.
  - GSA has 10 teams signed for T-Cup at present.
  - Warren currently involved in training for many TYSA Rec/Academy/Select teams.

- Hong Chen has raised over \$600 from t-shirt sales and is using some of the excess proceeds for TYSA facility beautification projects (plantings, etc.). Warren will approach Hong about taking on role as TYSA Spirit Wear Coordinator.
- The new TYSA Web Site is a major improvement and now includes Twitter and Facebook connections.
- Movie Night for Halloween coming up. Kids will be encouraged to wear their costumes.
- 37 current AIT registrations.
- Tiny Tykes up to 88 registrations.
- Spring 3v3 tournament will be held during spring break (April 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>).
- Scholarship Equipment: TYSA must re-iterate and enforce policy to retrieve uniform equipment and back packs provided under scholarship at the end of each season. A letter to this effect needs to be drafted and sent to coaches, team managers, and scholarship recipient families.
- Directory of Player Development's report (FL): Written report submitted.
  - Franklin reported that TYSA Select team stats are on par with State averages (at or above).
  - Franklin addressed previously-mentioned issue of "Score Run-up" and associated sportsmanship issues. Since GSSA team standings are calculated partially on "goals scored", goal-limit rules should never apply at the Select level.
- Program Administrator's Report (NM): No Report.
- Director of Facilities Report (CC): No Report
  - Bryant (BM) inquired as to availability of recycle bins given large quantity of recyclable materials generated at our facilities. Bryant mentioned his wife, who works for Coca-Cola, may be able to obtain recycle bins for TYSA.
- Director of Communications' report (IC):
  - New Web Site is on-line and operational.
  - A limited number of new TYSA email addresses are now available as needed..
- Director of Volunteers' report (vacant): No Report
- Director of Field Marshals and Risk Management's report (RZ):
  - Field Marshal operations for Fall season ran smoothly.
- Director of Field Marshals and Risk Management's report (RZ): (No Report)

#### Old Business:

- Richards Park (Granite)
  - Ian (IC) reported that he knows one TYSA parent (mom) who writes grants for a living. Ian will be researching and pursuing grant opportunities for the purchase of Richards Park facility.
  - Leonard (LH) spoke to Rob Pollock from AYSA regarding AYSA's recent purchase of Arizona Field. Purchase cost was \$1mm with \$2mm spend on development and improvements. Facility is projected to be paid off in 3 years. For this purchase, AYSA hired a professional fundraiser and received financial assistance from
    - The Blank Foundation

- U.S. Soccer Foundation
- Benefits associated with EPA designation of Arizona Field facility as "Greenspace"
  - TYSA will need to follow similar approach for purchase of Richards Field.

#### **New Business:**

- **Triumph Cup:**
  - Nancy noted current registrations for only 41 teams. While progress is currently slow, Nancy anticipates that pace and number of registrations will increase significantly as the tournament approaches.
  - Warren: Comfort Suites will again provide team registration facility on Friday from 1pm to 10pm. The DoubleTree Hotel will host the Friday night Coaches Social from 7-9pm.
  - Warren and Nancy displayed the logos (designed by IC) selected for tournament balls and merchandise. (Well-received!)
  - Franklin: Noted 3 issues to be resolved prior to T-Cup:
    - Possible need to accommodate organizations with multiple teams under single coach for scheduling purposes. (Nancy always tries to work this out.)
    - Clarification of Rain-Out policy for in-state vs. out-of-state teams
    - Determine with GSSA if rained-out regular-season games can be played in tournament. (Franklin to check with GSSA regarding rules.)
- **New Board Members**
  - Leonard (LH) introduced and recommended Ken Barnett for consideration to fill open BOD position (exp. 2010). Board approved. (Motion: MJS, 2<sup>nd</sup>: BM, Vote: Unanimous 12-0)
- **Closing:**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:06 pm (Motion: TM; Second: BM; Vote: Unanimous 12-0)

Minutes respectfully submitted by Mike Sanders  
Secretary, TYSA