

**Agenda for the West Des Moines Soccer Club Board Meeting**

May 18th, 2022

Meeting held at Goldfinch Realty (1741 Grand Ave, WDM)

**Attendance**: Kevin Johnston, Adam Schnieders, Seth Doup, Matt Homonoff, Jon Kennedy, Rich Bywater, Tim Schlee

Absent: Janell Mikels

Meeting commenced: 6:37 PM

Approval of April Minutes: motion by Adam; seconded by Seth. Unanimously passed.

Director of Properties Report – Adam

* Ironman (June 12th) – will be riding on veterans; there will be Sporting tryouts that same day, but likely no overlap in time. Adam is getting a map from Ironman and we can send a communication regarding potential rerouting since Veterans will be closed.
  + Potential for fundraising by volunteering at transition stations or bag handouts. Group of 20 volunteers can earn a total of $1000.
* Raccoon River bridge project
  + Easement discussion
* General Updates
  + Volunteers are signed up to: (1) paint the wellhouse, and (2) pack in dirt around drains that are exposed.
  + Looking into potentially replacing door to the electrical building.
  + Updated field map has been prepared for Hidden Valley and Raccoon River – those are available online.
  + Obtained new nets and clips from the Dick’s Sporting Goods grant.
  + Considering how we can improve the drainage at field 8 of hidden valley.
  + Furnace is still broken and in queue for repair.
  + New field closed signs out at raccoon to protect the fields when overly wet.
  + June Discovery Phase needs
    - Ross requested four fields for 4 v 4
    - Rich raised question if that is just a space requirement and whether we don’t need all fields with painted lines and goals
  + Summer Coed 7 v 7 league, scheduling and getting fields assigned and painted
    - Likely Hidden Valley on Field 4
    - Coordinating this with Sporting’s needs in early June
* Hidden Valley 3v3
  + Registration is live
  + Hasn’t been announced/promoted
    - Will email out to our membership first
    - Then open beyond that
  + Have space for 6 fields and 60 games
  + Age based divisions, including kids and adults, as well as co-eds
  + 4 teams per division, then waitlist

Sporting Program Report – Rich

* 670 signups for Sporting tryouts as of this week
* Sporting board had budget approval meeting
  + Tournaments and events will be getting rolled back into fees
* Updates re club admin office availability and coordinating of communications between admins
  + Admins are not going to be required at board meetings
  + Direct reporting to Sporting (e.g., Rich & Ross)
  + Contemplating scheduling when game schedules, coaching instructions, etc. are set to go out
* Discussion of whether there should be an Executive Director role at WDMSC; need to identify what the role entails and how it fits in or out of the services agreement

Director of Recreation Report – Matt

* Report as to Spring season
  + Field quality was really good despite the amount of rain
  + Many of the rec teams end this weekend
    - 9U and 5U end May 22
  + Some makeup games first week of June and make up games through second week of June
    - 4U and 6U end June 5
    - 7U and 8U end June 12
* Discussion of feedback from parent volunteers and Club members
* Discussion of ref shortage
  + Rich and Kevin discussed re potential ideas to address
* Possibility of a rec tournament; consider first weekend of November

Director of Competitive Report – Janell (Absent)

Treasurer's Report – Seth

* Financial Report

Secretary Report – Jonathan

* Bylaw revisions update
* Dine-to-donate update
  + Chic Fil-A
  + Blaze

President's Report – Kevin

* Holiday lights approached re potential fundraising
  + Kevin is going to have discussions
* PlayMetrics Update
  + Working on underwriting for Stripe to handle payment methods
* Vacant Board Position – Director of Fundraising
  + Talking with a couple folks
  + Considering communication to membership to solicit folks
* 4th of July Parade
  + Registration is open
  + Kevin will register us; we need to indicate how many participants we will have
    - Will be on July 3rd (Sunday)
    - Open to Academy families first, then consider rec teams after
    - We can’t exceed the number of participants that we sign up for
    - Looking into what we are permitted to use for transportation
    - Evaluating swag and costs to throw out (foam soccer balls, wrist bands, stickers, candy).
* Youth (Rip Roar) Triathlon
  + July 9 and 10
    - Should be wrapped up by 1 PM both days
    - Will be going through the Raccoon River parking lot
* Working with local colleges to get their athletes to help with some coaching
  + Grand View
  + Drake
  + Simpson

Motion to Adjourn: Jonathan motion to adjourn; Seth seconded. No objections. Adjourned at 9:14 PM