

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

October 26th, 2022

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

**Attendance**: Kevin Johnston, Adam Schnieders, Matt Homonoff, Janell Mikels, Jon Kennedy, Rich Bywater, Haris Serdarevic, Tim Schlee

Guest: Charlie Notheis

Absent: Seth Doup

Meeting commenced at 6:35 PM

Approval of September Minutes

* Will be reviewed approved via email since they were sent via email and not printed

Director of Fundraising

* Charlie Notheis introduction
  + Family history of local soccer clubs
  + Has other board experience, including fundraising activities
* Adam motioned for Charlie Notheis to fill the fundraising chair position, Janell seconded; All voted in favor

Program Report from Sporting – Rich

* Comments on some of the realignment of tasks internally
  + Introduction of Haris to group and his expanded role
  + Haris discussed his background starting with Urbandale Soccer Club, into JUSC, and eventually Sporting
  + Handout: Streamlining Administrative Responsibilities
* Discussion of spring registration timeline and upcoming steps – Haris
* Questions/Comments from club:
  + Requests for certain information needed for reports, annual meeting, etc. Who should those be directed to?
    - Haris as Lead Administrator, he will delegate down as needed internally.
  + Will there be an introductory communication to membership as to Haris and expected communications from him?
    - Yes, but they want to get pieces in place beforehand to introduce.
* General Report
  + Attendance numbers remain good, including for the discovery phase
  + Good engagement from parents this season
  + 140 registered for discovery this winter, with two weeks remaining for registration
  + Considering realigning:
    - academy under single coach to avoid duplication of work
    - the U11s and U12s under single coach to avoid duplication of work
  + Rush will be joining CDL
  + Referee shortage is still an issue; Sporting is trying to identify ways to address

Director of Properties Report – Adam

* Meston Brothers Irrigation
  + Reached out to assess long term maintenance and upgrades to the irrigation system at Hidden Valley
    - Kevin, Tim, and Adam had meeting with them
    - They will provide different level options, plus ability to phase items in for cost deferral
* MidAmerican Easement
  + Powerlines need to be put underground along west side of complex. They will need a junction box put in. MidAmerican wants to put it on private property rather than the right of way. There was a meeting to discuss the locations.
* Bridge Project timelines
  + Might start some of the clearing work this winter.
* Halloween Concessions
  + Concession Updates
    - Sporting requested that we run concessions from 4:30-8:30 PM
    - Kevin will reach out to Matt K
    - Request was hot chocolate with gummy worms
    - We can sell concessions
* Fire Inspection
  + Tuesday, November 1st is when it is scheduled.
  + Need to ensure fire extinguishers are certified.
* Lights/Remaining Schedules
  + Rental lights get picked up Nov. 1st .
  + Will need to coordinate final trainings under existing lights.
* Tim S.: Raccoon River is shut down; started aerating today.
  + Tim will blow out the irrigation soon.

No Treasurer's Report in Seth’s absence

Director of Recreation Report – Matt

* Sporting’s report covered most of the season summary items.
* Two issues commented on most by members/volunteer coaches:
  + Referee issues was what we heard the most about
    - Volunteer coaches and parents have the impression that it is due to the host; we may consider how we communicate the ref shortage.
    - We have identified some issues with the ref assignor. Considering how to address this.
  + Team assignments, i.e., number of kids assigned to a team (large vs. small rosters)

Director of Competitive Report - Janell

Secretary Report – Jonathan

* Upcoming Fundraiser:
  + November 15, 2022 at Chipotle on West Town Pkwy from 5-9 PM
* Discussion of spring fundraisers:
  + Plan on March, April, May
* Charlie: consider in warmer months the ice cream trucks, sno-cone trucks, etc.
  + Totally Rolled Ice Cream is a possibility

President's Report – Kevin

* Annual Membership Meeting
  + 11/29 at LRC 6:30-8:30; run meeting from 7-8 PM
* Meeting with City
  + Both Sporting and WDMSC were denied winter RecPlex time over winter

Adjourn – 8:53 PM