

Essex United Soccer Club
September 9, 2003
Board Meeting

Present: Jay Shepard, Bob Kaigle, Linda Elliot, Michelle Hetling, Carolyn Rushford, Steve Wildermuth, Howard Lincoln, Emily Guziak, Eric Senn, Beth Ward, Jose Fernandez, Ed DeMulder, Kay Maloney, Cheryl Bowers

The meeting was held in the Essex High School, Room c101 and began at 7:10pm. The minutes from the August meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Michelle handed out the financial summary for the club and stated that another installment of \$25000 had been made to the Tree Farm. Jay has asked our reports show Sept through Aug as the operating year. Michelle is working on this. Ed DeMulder reported that all major expenses from the tournament had been paid and only small items were outstanding.

Registrar's Report: Carolyn provided a summary of work completed and in progress. Registration materials are ready for registration and are also posted on the website. A reminder to make sure to collect medical forms along with registration form. Software has been loaded and working well. Board agreed that medical forms will be supplied to coaches once teams are selected. Chevrolet Partent of the Year nominations are due 9/23 and the Adidas Coach of the Year forms are available. Carolyn will be getting more information on VSA's Kidsafe Program and will update the board when available. Refund checks will be issued as soon as notified and no later than December 1 as noted on the form.

CVYSL/GMSL: Howard reported the CVYSL board meeting was taking place tonight and merger was going to be a topic of discussion. He would provide more info on the merger discussion in the October EUSC meeting. EUSC has endorsed the merger. With respect to league fees, CVYSL fees will remain the same however the referee fees will be going up.

Coach's Report: Steve reported the tryout coordinators have been lined up. The coach coverage across the club teams has not yet been finalized, looking for U12A & U10A girls coaches. The CVYSL vs GMSL has been incorporated into the registration form. Question was posed on moving up to stay with friends. Jay received an email from concerned parents in regards to moving up. Historically the board has maintained the policy of no moving up. The board agreed unanimously to support the policy.

Facilities Report: Eric reported 2 sets of nets have been purchased which will be placed at the track field and one of the Prairie fields. It was decided the worst nets will be for the Fort and Eric will remove the nets at the Fort for the winter to avoid damage. Leftover tournament t-shirts will be for sale at registration, \$3/shirt and please request separate checks. Motion made by Steve and second by Jay with unanimous approval to sell shirts. Eric also mentioned that he was approached by Tom Bochanski who is willing to work with EUSC for the Hiawatha field nets.

Equipment Report: Emily reported that we may need to purchase balls. The balls will be used as practice balls for indoor and will be used in the spring as well. Issued was raised on the quality of the ice packs used this year, need to look into a better option.

Uniform Report: Kay has received all the uniforms from the teams, only missing 5 jerseys and the names of the folks have been provided to Carolyn so the family can be charged at registration; \$25. Samples and deadlines for the clothing sale will be available at registration. Suggestion was posed that the uniform coordinator for each team be someone other than the coach to help will uniform collection, an example would be the team parent.

Tournament Report: Ed reported that the tournament dates for the EUSC tournament will possibly be June 25-26. He has already reserved the high school and Maple St., and ADL have been approved for parking. 2003 tournament was the best year! Congrats to the entire team! Ed reported that the Tree Farm will only be used for half of the tournament if at all. Nothing has been finalized and Ed continues to work closely with Trevor. If the Tree Farm is used it will be for only one age group and may be able to expand the tournament to include U16.

Tree Farm Report: Bob reported that the last meeting was on 8/21 and Eric Senn is now on the operations committee. Bob provided the board with a summary status on the Tree Farm. Phase I cost almost entirely paid. Continue to work on seeding. Some fields may need to be redone and other excavation work is under discussion with Don Weston. Trevor working on reconciliation of bills for paving. There are 5 sources of income outstanding, now only 4 source because EUSC has paid \$25K. Other sources expected over the next few months. Trevor working with the Village on water rate and still need to pay Peak Landscaping and Weston for parking lot work. Next meeting is scheduled for 9/18 at the Essex Rec Center at 6pm.

Booster's Club: Linda reported that the clothing sale info is now on the website. Pam Hewit is looking to move out of the website coordinator position and recommendation was made to have a back up to Pam. Bob suggested we may want to consider paying someone to come in and work with the club on the website.

There were no items for Old business or New business. The meeting adjourned by a motion from Bob and second by Howard at 8:50pm.