

Essex United Soccer Club
June 14, 2005
Board Meeting Minutes

Present: Linda Elliott, Steve Wildermuth, Cathy Tremblay, Emily Guziak, Michelle Hetling, Nina Warren, Ed DeMulder, Scott Earisman, David Jillson, Carolyn Rushford, Beth Maurer, Kay Maloney.

The meeting was held in Room C102 at Essex High School and was called to order by Linda Elliott at 7:19 pm. The minutes of the May meeting were reviewed. Carolyn Rushford's name was added to the attendance, and concerning the request of Essex Jct Parks and Rec Dept for a list of our players, we will review their list to check for Essex United players. Steve makes a motion to accept the minutes with amendments, Scott seconds, and the motion is approved.

Treasurers Report: Michelle provided the balance sheet for review. She stated that \$4000 has been paid for Tree Farm usage. Referee reimbursements have been completed. Michelle has been asked to keep track of reimbursement for certification vs. recertification. The Jamboree team fees have been reimbursed, as the Jamboree was not held this year.

Coach Coordinator Report: Steve would like to update the survey on our website to include questions concerning the Tree Farm and fee schedule. Steve will talk to the U8 coaches about feedback from their season.

Equipment Coordinator Report: Emily will have two nights of equipment drop-off at her house the week after the Tournament.

VSL Report: Scott says that Citizen Bank donated soccer balls to the U8 players. This will be acknowledged at the Tournament before one of the U8 games.

Rik Dayvies is looking for feedback from Division 1 teams.

If teams need to reschedule a game, contact Scott, find referees and play a "friendly". It will not be considered an official game per VSL.

Tournament Director's Report: Ed states that there are 89 teams registered for the tournament, making it the largest in club history. Volunteer sign-ups are in progress and the parking plan has been submitted to the Town of Essex and the Police Dept. Registration will be held at the Lincoln Inn on June 24 from 5-8 pm. The next committee meeting will be held on June 15.

Uniform Coordinator Report: On the Uniform request form, Beth would like to add a place for the ability to purchase additional socks and shorts. These would be sold at cost, payable by a separate check at registration. Ed made a motion to sell any extra socks and

shorts from the previous season, at cost, during registration. Kay seconded the motion and the motion passes.

A discussion was held on providing the U8 players with a second shirt. This question could be placed on the web survey, asking U8 parents if they would support an increase in fees to cover the cost of another t-shirt.

Registrar's Report: Carolyn provided information concerning insurance coverage for Indoor Soccer. Players are not covered for indoor league play at the Nordic Center, as the center is not a VSA sanctioned facility. However, they are covered for practices as we are "renting" a space. Far Post and Capital are both sanctioned facilities. Players are not technically covered for indoor training, as EUSC does not pay the \$15 per player fee. But, VSA covers this by paying an estimated amount to the insurance company, which could cover us if an incident arises. Discussion was held on this issue, and the issue was tabled.

Registration dates are set for Thursday, September 8, and Wednesday, September 14. Discussion was held on fee changes. This will be finalized in August after Michelle completes an analysis. The Refund policy will remain as is. The Uniform form will be rewritten with Beth's help. The Board will review the information form and FAQ sheet and suggest rewrites if necessary. Dave Jillson recommended a discussion on the commitment guidelines.

Old Business: None

New Business: Ed reports from the VSA Board meeting that Division 2 teams will play in the State Cup in 2006. Also, a local soccer club would like player lists from the VSA in order to send them try-out schedules. The position of the Essex United Soccer Club Board is to not allow our player information to be shared. The VSA will contact each Club President for responses.

Ed is having Tournament Registration at the Lincoln Inn. The Inn will be handing out coupons to the coaches to be used during the Tournament weekend. The Lincoln Inn would also like to have an Internet coupon on our website, and will give back a percentage of all monies earned from people using the coupon. Steve makes a motion to agree to do a six-month fundraiser with the Lincoln Inn, which includes a link on our web page for coupons; to be reevaluated at the January 2006 Board meeting. Seconded by David Jillson, and the motion carries.

Kay made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Emily seconded the motion and the motion carried. Linda Elliott adjourned the meeting at 9:54 pm. There will be no July meeting, and meetings will resume in August.

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Tremblay, secretary.

Amended and subsequently approved by the Board on August 15, 2005