

Juneau Soccer Club

Board Meeting Minutes
December 7, 2009
Dimond Park Fieldhouse



Call to Order at 7:00 pm

Board members present: Tom Paul, Nick Lyons, Christy Odum, Glenn Walton, Martin Morris. Others present were DOC Matt Dusenberry and former DOC Colin Barton.

Drawing for 2009 JSC Raffle – The raffle drawing was held on the field house turf with two of the practicing U9-U10 players drawing the 4 winning ticket stubs from the bag. Winners were: \$500 – Lori Fredenberg, Doug Rountree; \$1,000 – Michelle Workman; \$2,500 Grand Prize – Tammy Morris. After the drawing the board moved to the upstairs gallery area. Raffle sales totaled \$23,500 with 80% going to players’ accounts. Thanks to Christy Odum for expert coordinating of the raffle which went extremely smoothly.

Agenda approved.

Minutes of November 2, 2009 amended and approved.

Public comment/guest presentations – Colin Barton asked to address the Board. He said he is very pleased and thrilled with the club expanding to include younger age group kids. “The club must be doing something right to have so many young kids enjoying soccer.” He would like to see JSC take over recreational soccer in Juneau from CBJ Parks and Recreation and integrate the recreation program with the current competitive and development programs. He believes that is the future of soccer in Juneau and the next step for JSC. It is common for soccer clubs to have both recreation and competitive programs. He also said that JSC is fortunate to have Matt Dusenberry as DOC and that Matt is the best Director of Coaching in the state. The Board thanked Colin for thoughts and his continued interest in the JSC.

Reports

Treasurer – Nick passed out the updated financial sheets. Budget is good but we will not be receiving any more pull-tabs money this year. We are “out-of-play” and we do not know when we will get money again. It may not be until next fall or later. Registrations are ahead of last year in all age groups except HS. Lists of registered players will go to coaches to see if any unregistered or unpaid players are attending clinics or practice.

Director of Coaching – The club now has 231 registered players. However, 4 comp teams have low numbers U12G (2 players), U14B Cosmos (about 8), U16B Torment (8), and U14G (10). U15B Rapids have 15 players but no coach. Currently they are practicing with U14B and that is working out for both teams. Matt suggested we develop a poster for Holiday Cup that lets people know we are looking for players for those age groups.

Uniforms have been ordered for U13B, U14B and U18B. Also the order for shorts, socks, practice top, and balls has been placed. Matt needs at least 2 more volunteers to sort through the order for disbursement to teams when the order comes in, probably after the holidays.

The Board discussed the option of replacing the cloth JSC patch on uniforms with a silkscreen patch. There is a higher upfront cost for the silkscreen but a considerable long term cost savings in not having to sew patches on shirts. The Board decided to defer silk-screening to next year and to factor in the \$1500 upfront cost to our upcoming YAB grant request.

JSC coaches met Dec. 4 and have set up a webpage to share coaching resources, video clips, calendars, etc. They identified a club need for a DVR and DVD burner to tape practice sessions for team and coach development, also to record players' skills for select team tryouts, etc.

Whitehorse exchanges – The Whitehorse club is going through a reorganization so can't be certain about future plans. However, their coaching director said he thought June 18-20 would be best for a summer tournament.

Matt has managed to acquire the equipment approved at the last meeting for \$1,432 - Considerably less than the budgeted amount. In addition, Play-it-Again Sports has offered to carry our shorts and socks styles for players who missed the ordering deadline. (Thanks Rusty).

Competitive Team Committee – no report

Development Committee – no report

AYSA – no report

New business

Goal Cards – Sales are scheduled to begin January 9, but no coordination has begun. The board agreed to ask Marty McKeown to line up businesses and arrange for card printing again this year.

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Mark Kelley Calendar sales status – Sales are underway. Reports are that they are easy to sell.

Scholarships status – The Board discussed scholarship status. We currently have 9 scholarship players with funds for a 10th “regular” club scholarship available. In addition, the Irene and Anne Shima Memorial Fund through the Juneau Community Foundation has enough for 4 or 5 more scholarships. It was suggested that if needed, budgeted JSC travel scholarship money could be transferred to use for club fees scholarships; the thinking is that the most important thing is to have players on a team. Once players are on a team, the team travel fundraising could help scholarship players with travel costs if needed.

Continue discussion on club financial reserves – Tom went over Carl's email thoughts on the reserves. The Board briefly discussed various options for reserves but deferred further discussion until more Board members are available.

Discuss revision of Player Discipline Policy – deferred until more Board members are available.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm