

Juneau Soccer Club Monthly Board Meeting

December 11, 2006

D'zantiki Heeni Middle School Language Room

6:00 – 9:00 pm

Agenda Items

Call to Order

Chair Jamie Waste called the meeting to order at 6:01. Board members present were Tom Lawson, Nick Lyons, Jean Mischel, Tom Paul, Amy Skilbred, Glenn Walton, Jamie Waste. Chris Francis has tendered his resignation from the board.

Others in attendance were: Director of Coaching Colin Barton, Alex Hoke, Margaret Tharp and Matt Dusenberry

Approval of November 6, 2006 minutes – Approved.

Public comment/guest presentations – None

Old business

Director of Coaching recruitment – An ad was posted in the Juneau Empire for 2 Sundays and on the club website. The board will meet in executive session at the end of this meeting to discuss the position and interview a candidate.

Gaming revenue (pull tabs) – The board held a formal discussion of the pros and cons of getting revenue through pull tabs. It was decided unanimously to explore the matter further and that board action whether or not to approve seeking pull tabs revenue for the club would be taken when we had more information. Tom Paul will research the issue and board members are to email him any questions they have about pull tabs.

AYSA representative – Alexander Hoke agreed to be the Southeast Alaska representative on the Alaska Youth Soccer Assn. Board. After he described his experience in soccer as a coach and his interest in the game and the position, he was unanimously approved. He and Glenn Walton took part in an AYSA Board teleconference on Sunday.

Age Policy language clarification – The board reviewed a 3rd section of the age-based teams policy dealing with exceptions for tournament-bound teams needing additional players. After discussion the section was tabled and sent back to the CTC for further clarification regarding who would petition for the exceptions and whether tryouts would be necessary.

Dimond Park Field House – Tom Lawson reported on the latest planning for the DPFH. He proposed that we consider committing to 237 additional hours of use so that JSC teams would have access to a turf field for Friday open scrimmages, outdoor Sunday practices March – July, and MWF team practices in July before State Cup when the field is hard to get because of football and other demands. The additional hours would cost about \$12,000 in use fees. The board decided to reaffirm our commitment to use the field house for 378 hours a year and let the DPFH committee know we may possibly use more depending on our funding and teams' willingness to pay for extra time.

Club Social – Peter Ord will take the lead for the board on working with the High School teams to organize the club social and equipment swap. It is tentatively planned for February. Board members should send Peter ideas for the social.

First Aid & CPR – The board agreed to allocate \$300 to provide CPR training for head coaches and others who are interested. The board recognized the importance of the training and the need to build the cost into future budgets and place a requirement that coaches have the training into JSC policies and procedures.

Code of Conduct – Discussion and approval of the draft JSC Code of Conduct was deferred to email contacts between board members.

Alcohol/tobacco-related fundraisers – The board discussed the recommendation by the Fundraising Committee that the club not approve these fundraisers. The board was divided on the issue. Jean offered to write a statement expressing board neutrality to alcohol/tobacco-related fundraisers that the board will consider at a later date.

New business

U12G Gale Force and U12B bank account – The board approved the Gale Force U12G team and the as yet unnamed U12B team establishing bank accounts.

Whitehorse exchange: club coordinators/dates – Whitehorse has scheduled its tournament venues on a different weekend in early April than we have. A couple JSC members were suggested as possible coordinators of the tournament for the club. Peter Ord will work with them and with Whitehorse to get our dates to match and work out other details. Tom Lawson was asked to look into Marie Drake gym and the new HS turf field as possible tournament locations during the second week of April.

Board elections and transition between seasons – In the interest of time this topic was deferred to another meeting, however Jamie said it will be on each meeting agenda until the board deals with it.

Reports

Director of Coaching – Colin reported that he is particularly pleased and impressed with two new club coaches, Krista Heard who coaches the combined U11 boys and girls and helps with skills clinics and Philip Subeldia, assistant coach of the U15 girls and who helps with the goalkeeping clinics. Both are keen on learning. Colin reiterated the need for another coaching clinic and for getting coaches lined up and prepared for next season. He said player recruitment is still important and suggested we try recruiting players at the Holiday Cup tournament. The board agreed Holiday Cup may be a good time to recruit. It recommended team coaches and players be contacted to help recruit.

Treasurer – Amy distributed a new format for displaying JSC budget categories. The board approved the change. Amy said that because the club lacks any specific policies with regards to refunding membership money to those who can no longer participate in the club for various reasons, she proposes to prorate refunds based on the portion of club year remaining. The board agreed with that practice.

Competitive Team Committee (CTC) – Jean reported that we have had to consolidate the U13 and U14 girls teams because there are too few U13 girls (5) to make a complete team. The U11 girls team continues to add players and is up to 8 now.

Other reports were deferred for lack of time.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:50 and the board met in Executive Session. The board came out of Executive Session at 9:10 pm.

Major board actions:

- Approved Alexander Hoke as SE Alaska representative to the AYSA Board
- Agreed to allocate \$300 for CPR training for coaches and to factor costs for training into subsequent years' budgets.
- Interviewed Director of Coaching candidate in Executive Session.