

Juneau Soccer Club

Monthly Board Meeting

November 7, 2005
Dzantik'I Henni Middle School
7:00 – 9:00 PM

Call to Order

Chair Carl Dierking called the meeting to order at 7:00. Board members present were Don Ashe, Carl Dierking, Tom Lawson, Jean Mischel, Noel Shima, Amy Skilbred, Reed Stoops, Brian Sylvester, Jamie Waste.

Agenda Item #1: Reports

Director of Coaching

Colin Barton expressed his displeasure about a number of issues. His discourse consisted of several issues with the main theme being “it seems like things never seem to get done”.

Colin’s listed these concerns:

1. Wants an appropriate pay scale for coaches, which reflects the coaching license held. He doesn’t feel that the Board has addressed this issue.
2. He proposed that JSC send one or more coaches to continuing certification courses, (which has been done).
3. Wants the board to begin searching for a replacement since he had informed the board he would probably be leaving his position in 2 years.
4. He reiterated his displeasure that the Board had not actively supported his idea about him holding a summer soccer camp.
5. He is not happy about coaching sessions being cancelled.
6. He also expressed concern about some of the Board members who felt that “Sunday soccer should be nothing but just throwing the ball into the gym and letting the kids go”.

Given the intensity of the issues Brian suggested that the Board hold a special meeting with Colin in the immediate future to discuss his various proposals and reiterate why the Board has chosen the course of action they have.

Registrar

Amy stated that we need to send the club team coaches rosters. Apparently some haven’t received them. Carl/Faye will see if League Organizer can accommodate emailing the roster information.

Jamie stated he was sending this information to the coaches on his email list.

Agenda item #2: Comp. Team Orientation

Betsy Breneman spoke for the Juneau Reign (U16 boys) fundraising committee on the two-page proposal they submitted to the Board. They desire to fundraise for a trip to Scandinavia to participate in a couple of soccer tournaments. They want to approach Norwegian Cruise Lines for a sponsorship, sell sweatshirts and/or T-shirts of their design.

There were a number of people in attendance who discussed the various problems associated with fundraising in a community the size of Juneau, and the conflicts of competition with JSC and other club fundraisers given Juneau’s limited resources.

JSC will only allow use of the JSC club logo. The idea is to build a cohesive club and not have a number of decentralized smaller teams without any attachment to each other.

The Sons of Norway bazaar is the weekend of November 12th and the Reign desires to sell club clothing then. Amy said JSC had just invested \$1,500 in clothing, which the Reign could sell and split 50/50 with JSC per Section 2 of JSC Policies and Procedures.

Brian moved and Noel second the motioned that the Board approve the Reign fundraising proposal as drafted in their letter to the Board, with the exception of item #5 and #7, which are not approved. These items the club will address at a later date. Also, if the JSC club logo is not used on merchandise no other logo is allowed.

Categories in the letter to the Board by the Reign are:

1. Selling merchandise
2. Events
3. Concessions
4. JSC calendar, raffle tickets and ad sales
5. Other possible fund raisers (including use of JSC gaming permit)
6. Individual player earnings goal
7. Corporate Sponsor

This motion passed.

Amy then moved and Jamie second that JSC allow the gaming permit to be used as specified in Amy's October 13th email to the Board. **This motion passed.**

Agenda Item #3: New Business

Jamie had the coaches that were in attendance introduce themselves. Most of the competitive teams were represented.

Held a discussion on what happens with the emails and attachments that Jamie sends to the coaches regarding various club events. The idea is that the coaches forward the information on to their respective players and parents. There were a variety of comments on what actually happens with these emails.

AYSA President Joe Ver commented that the U12 age group is coming back to the State Cup and will play an 8v8 (eight-aside) format. Currently Zane Cup plays 9v9 for both U11 and U12. AYSA will evaluate how this format works.

Kristi West is interested in club team chaperones, specifically whether JSC had developed any policy on the issue. The question is how many and should they be compensated and then moved forward to compensation for managers and coaches, too.

Discussed at some length how opportunities to participate in other sports activities should be permitted. Tom Rutecki said he had drafted some basic guidelines for the hockey club on chaperones and the participation issue and would forward them to the JSC. This would be information that should be included in the coaches' manual being developed by Matt Dussenberry and Colin Barton.

Suggested that the competitive team clubs be told what insurance coverage was now provided and JSC policies in that area.

One of the parents asked what the JSC policy was toward mandatory attendance for club teams attending State Cup. Jean felt the club should develop a written policy on this issue.

There was also discussion about why some teams were not planning to attend State Cup. Doug Badilla pointed out that in the upper age levels teams drop off to the point where there isn't enough competition to warrant the trip. Although the reward for winning State Cup is a trip to the regional tournament, Reed pointed out that smaller states like Alaska are usually so seriously over matched that the trip is a disappointment. Given this, team funds may be better off spent on attending other tournaments.

Jean wrote a Motion in Support of Appointing a Committee to Resolve Cost Equalization Issues Involved with State Cup. Noel agreed to present the motion to AYSA at the November teleconference Sunday November 13th. Reed then volunteered to take the job as AYSA Regional Representative at Large vacated by Amy.

Colin is leaving for Europe on November 15th for a few weeks and in his absence Matt Dussenberry will stand in Director of Coaching. He will email the Board a list of who's covering what while he's away.

Agenda Item #4: Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Summary of Action Taken by the Board:

1. Passed fundraising request by Juneau Reign
2. Passed conditional use of JSC gaming permit