Longview Soccer Club Board Meeting Minutes January 13, 2020

In attendance

Justin FuglebergMarv KasemeierJeff ColemanKatie RupleyJak MasseyJim Maggs

Gary Bennett Michael Palmer Jenn Jolly Lori Hauswauld Brandy Richardson

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm

Approval of November treasurer's report and updates

Marv motioned to approve the November and December treasurer's reports, Jim seconded. All in favor, no opposed, motion passed. Jak has met with Christi several times to take over as treasurer. She's going to revamp things a bit and is open to suggestions; the monthly report will look a bit different starting next month.

Approval of minutes

Marv motioned to approve November's minutes, Jak seconded. All in favor, no opposed, motion passed.

Concessions report

Marv reported he's open to menu suggestions; he'll email Michael when the menu is set and Michael will post it on our website. Lori suggested pulled pork nachos. Everyone likes the mac and cheese. Jim is going to work on a pocket for the golf cart for concessions.

Community outreach

Brandy had nothing to report. Jak said she made the new fliers and got them to Lori and Jill, who distributed them to the preschools; Lisa King gave them to local businesses and Parks and Rec. Lisa has also reached out to radio stations and contacted the Daily News today. Brandy said she can contact the school district, she just needs a PDF of the flier; Jak will send it to her. Michael had the flier put out at St. Rose School. Jak encouraged everyone to share LSC announcements on Facebook. Jeff said James hasn't contacted schools yet; Jim said James is leaving for deployment in a few weeks.

Incidents and disciplines

Justin reported an incident in a Vancouver tournament; it started with coaches before the game, then continued with rough play during the game, but refs said they didn't feel any of the plays were questionable. Coaches were verbal again, then a parent came onto the field to tend to her child and was asked to leave the field. Eventually our team forfeited. Coaches from both teams argued afterwards and parents confronted refs after the game. Justin is going to work with Jeff to schedule a meeting with the team in question to discuss what happened and code of conduct. Gary noted it's not the first incident with this team. Jeff said the SWYSA president contacted him about the incident. The team is now on probation. Jim believes we should re-consider heading up north to play with teams up there instead of Vancouver because we've had trouble with them for years. Jeff said we can't react right away and we have to go through the proper channels. If all the arguments are simply verbal and undocumented we can't do anything about them. We all agree that once the coach gets riled the parents follow suit and it effects the refereeing.

Gary reported there's a coach of younger girls that no one wants to play for, but he hasn't received any formal complaints. Jak said she knows of a parent who wants to step in and take over.

Spring season 2020/registration update

Lori reported we're open for registration and we have 76 players registered already as well as 18 coaches. The first walk-in is Thursday night. Jeff said we have new signs and asked everyone to take two and set them out. Text Gary the locations and take down your signs when registration closes.

Facility and field maintenance/condition (preventative maintenance)

Gary reported it's really wet out. He hasn't fertilized fields 1 and 3; field 1 has a sinkhole that he's going to work on once it dries out enough. Field 8 has moles but Gary will take care of them. Also, the water for the clubhouse has been turned off. Gary will get ahold of someone about it. Gary said we need to put in a French drain in the next few years so our fields can handle wet weather better.

Uniforms and equipment/work with Erin of Castle Rock for better pricing

Jenn disagrees with the new sponsorship prices so she'll no longer be doing sponsorships. She'll still do uniforms and equipment. Jeff reported Erin from Castle Rock would like to work with us on ordering uniforms, and was hoping for something more stylish, possibly with shorts. Gary mentioned coordinating colors with other cities so we don't all have the same color uniforms. Jenn said uniform sponsorships have turned into a way of simply getting a jersey instead of a fundraiser for Longview Soccer Club. Jeff said we'll actually be making more money with the new sponsorship rates than we were before.

Dinner/auction

Jim reported he's talked to LCC and we're still on for February 8th. Guadalajara may help us out with alcohol, and Ashtown could give us a great price as well. So far Jim's list is 39 people with 12 maybes and the rest yes. We're all encouraged to come up with as many attendees as possible. Final numbers are due to LCC on February 1st. All LSC board members need to work on getting gift baskets and auction items. Jim will keep us updated on committee meetings—this is our last board meeting before the dinner. LCC won't provide desserts so we'll have desserts donated and have some homemade desserts as well—let Jim know! We'll have a dessert auction.

The soccer golf tournament will be either April 12th or April 19th. Jim already has four adult teams ready to play. It will be 18 holes with \$200 sponsorships per hole. Jim has

been working on the holes/construction and will bring back more info for February's meeting.

Brandy will bring information on flower baskets as fundraisers to February's meeting.

Coaches and members/post season meeting/pre-season meeting (work with CYSA to combine)

Gary reported 8 people attended the post-season meeting. Referees (especially youth referees) were a major subject. Everyone agrees we should continue to have the meetings.

The pre-season meetings are March 18th and 19th and will hopefully be at the PUD so everyone from CYSA can attend and receive the same information and guidelines.

We agreed Lisa King's official title should be Coach Registrar to avoid confusion.

Old items/laptop needs

We need a new Windows-based laptop that can run QuickBooks. A reasonable budget would be \$400-500, but we may need to upgrade our version of Office and possibly other programs. Justin and Michael will come back with a potential budget that includes new software and a computer.

New items

Jim said he'll be leaving the board after spring season is over. He'll leave a list of players as well as businesses to contact that he's worked with over the years.

Lori said she received an email about a player who registered for fall but wasn't able to play and now wants to use the fall fee to play in the spring. Lori will give her Jeff's email.

Jeff said he's no longer available on Fridays, and he now doesn't get off work until 5:30 or 6 (in Olympia). Consequently his time commitment has to decrease and he won't be able to make as many events or meetings. Most his communication will be via text and email. Since Jeff can no longer help Gary with fields and maintenance every Friday we either need volunteers or to hire someone. We also need a new mower. Jeff hasn't heard back from anyone regarding grants; Gary will contact Parks and Recreation.

Jim sent a letter to the Cowlitz Tribe last week explaining that we need a new mower and a shed, about \$15,000 to \$20,000, and asked them for \$5,000 or more. We're hopeful for a donation.

Jak is going to text Justin and Lisa regarding the LSC bank account switches and they'll get down to the bank and sign papers. Jak and Jenn will have debit cards.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49pm