

**Longview Soccer Club Meeting  
March 8, 2021**

**In attendance**

Justin Fugelberg	Jeff Coleman	Gary Bennett
Marv Kasemeier	Katie Rupley	James "Mac" McGregor
Jak Massey	Lori Hauswald	

**Meeting called to order at 6:16 pm**

**Approval of minutes**

Marv motioned to approve the minutes for February; Mac seconded. All in favor, no opposed, motion passed.

**Approval of February treasurer's report and updates**

Jak reported we have about \$8,215 in both our accounts combined; we didn't bring any money in, but paid a few bills out. She predicts we'll have about \$6,800 in our account after paying March's invoices. We're paying Sessions Plumbing \$100 per month, and we're making a Red Shield payment every month; both for the next 8 months. Our taxes should be done any day. Marv motioned to approve February's financial report; Katie seconded. All in favor, no opposed, motion passed.

**Spring Concessions**

Marv reported we're in good shape to have concessions open for the start of spring season. He'd like to try having concessions open for sign-ups in the fall as well. Marv said he's COVID-ready and is personally meeting with the head of the health department coming up to make sure we're as safe as possible.

**CYSA operations update**

Gary reported the last CYSA meeting went over what the spring season will look like. Getting coaches was the main push. It will be cash only and an all walk-in registration. Gary provided field layout for them. Walk-in registrations begin this Saturday; Gary will put our four tents out front to keep people dry, and he'll use marking paint to create lanes and social distance markers. People will come in the front door and leave through the back. Jak volunteered to help out at the registration wherever it's most needed.

Lori will send out the schedule for registration volunteers.

CYSA accepted our proposal of receiving the first \$4,000 to come out of the spring season.

Lori said we're doing alright on coaches so far. She and Jill are working on contacting potential coaches. Lori said CYSA has coach coordinators for each age group and is taking care of it. Scheduled start date for spring is April 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **Facility and field maintenance/conditions**

Gary reported the fields are wet. Field two isn't in great shape because people have been using it. Also people have been using metal detectors and digging holes. We have moles as well. The bathrooms are a bit of a mess due to winter debris. Gary will have field 8 prepped and ready to go just in case. MM boys don't have enough for a JV team yet and they would start the 22<sup>nd</sup>. MM girls JV used the fields for one game so we'll need to bill them \$50. Jeff is ordering porta potties and will have them delivered April 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Color run/look at details, sponsors, and advertising**

Jenn has a couple sponsors so far. Jeff will get more details about the cost of supplies from Jenn. RAL marketing is going to help us with a flier, and Jeff is going to look into them helping us with our website since Trieste is no longer able to do it. We need them to set up a link on our website so sponsors and participants can pay online for special events like the color run.

Jak spoke to Brandy and said she's interested in coming back to help with marketing in a limited capacity.

With the color run, we need to come up with a price so we can start advertising. We also need a committee for the color run. They would probably meet once a month. The committee so far is Jenn, Jak, Mac, and Jeff.

### **Summer high school league/details, schools and fees**

Jeff said he needs contact names and email addresses. Gary said it will be a 6v6 league (8 per team) that would buy their own uniforms. Right now Gary has just talked to schools about girls teams, but we could do boys as well if we get enough teams. The games will run for 6 weeks from mid-June until the end of July. We would need to pay \$16.50 for insurance per player, so Jeff and Gary said it should cost about \$45. Weekdays would work well, and we could save weekends for potential other events. We'll also have to pay for one referee per game. Each team could bring \$10 cash per game for refs. Teams would have to pay the ref before the start of the game. Lori said we could use the forms for spring soccer for this registration. We'll have registration per player, not per team. Gary will write up what this will look like (a proposal) and send it to the board. We'll vote on it at the next meeting. Jeff is happy to reach out to people for help.

### **Old items/fundraising ideas**

Jeff and Jak. Just sayin'.

Jeff will email out our sponsor letter, and Jak will send a packet to Mac. Jak wants us to reassure sponsors that the banners WILL be seen and it's marketing money well spent.

### **New items**

Jak will thriftily spiff up Dribble to soccer ball. Thank you!

Jeff said Trieste is no longer working with us and no longer doing our webpage. We need a coaches liaison, a fundraiser, and a webmaster on our board. He thinks we should be combining our boards—Kelso only has two members left. How would it look? We should all be thinking about it. We have half the members we used to. We lose a lot of members to baseball and softball in the spring. Also sports are becoming available year-round, and we're losing kids to that. James will work on getting more kids involved. Jeff said we don't have enough members to need a separate board for every city. It makes more sense to just have one board for all the cities combined. We would still use the 7<sup>th</sup> avenue fields, but what would change would be all the other cities would chip in for our (Longview) field maintenance.

Lori said we could run into a problem of people not wanting to travel to Longview for all their games and practices. Jeff said the teams could still be separated by school zone and practice at home, we would just all be under one organization instead of four. Another problem we've run into in the past is disagreements over where to order uniforms. Jeff thinks it's CYSA's job to step in and figure this out. We finally have the equipment to make our fields look good, we just need one organization with a full board and enough players. CYSA has to be the group to make the call to incorporate the cities. Jeff will set up a meeting with the CYSA executive board and talk to them about what we discussed tonight.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.**