

MINUTES
Benicia Arsenal FC Board Meeting
Tuesday – April 27th, 2021 6:30pm
Remote meeting

Board Members Present: Yann Jouvenot, Mike Distler, Marissa Murphy-Becerra, Mike Munn, Rodrigo Escalante, Zoraida McNorton,

Guests: Graham Mayle, Scott Swoboda, Paul Gigliotti

Meeting Called to Order: 6:30pm

Review April Agenda: Approved unanimously

Review and approve March Minutes: Approved unanimously

Public Comment:

President Report:

- Decision regarding tournaments- Marissa, Graham, Rod recommend we move forward with Benicia tournaments end of this year. (Tournament Help: Dora, Reba, Jose Beltran, Jeff Kuta, etc.)
- Communication with families- Coach follow up/recap meeting with team after game not happening. Graham: regular communication should take place- coach regarding games, team manager regarding scheduling and etc.
- Need to revisit open volunteer positions. Field Marshalls/Coordinator, Spirit Coordinator, Spirit Purchaser, Tournament Coordinator- positions are still open!
- Homework: Create FB post for early bird extension 2 weeks (to 5/15).
- Opening Day: 8/21 (Will discuss at next meeting).
- Parks & Rec public meeting: Yann spoke on getting a dedicated field for soccer.

Vice President Report:

- Discipline: U19B Coach incident with assistant referee. 6 game suspension. Recommend review of contract special clause.

Referee Coordinator:

Select Coordinator Report:

- Uniforms/Soccer Pro- Adidas ran out of practice jerseys. Has current Soccer Pro catalog to review uniform designs. Graham- check stipend for coaches' uniform. After tryouts, we need to order jerseys, teams form end of May.
- Field Marshalls/Coordinator- No Field Marshall Coordinator and a bit of a mess tracking them.
- Compile parent/volunteer list. Coordinate with Cecilia (Yann to give contact information).

DOC Report:

- Tryouts week of May 10 and May17. No mass tryout event this year. Players will attend practice for evaluations.

- Return to Play Event 1- Sacramento Return to Play Event 2- Contra Costa County
- Early bird registration 250. Shooting for 500 registered. Rod: can we promote tryouts via ads?
- Yann: Can we create a dashboard of comp game win/loss to review team statistics? At Competitive level- we should look at the metrics
- Graham: Yes, but shy away from posting metrics. Club level- focus on player development not the "W".
- Mike D: Mission of Club-Development of players, unify the club, this was communicated to Graham.
- Rod: Stuff is fluid. Year to year it needs to change and we have uncomfortable conversations.
- Proposed increase of competitive fees: Graham met with Marissa and Mike Distler regarding fees. \$95 increase across the board (include \$200 per player for tournaments, practice jerseys, team camps). Yann: would vote against raising funds. Program is not at the stage to increase the fees. Tabulate vote on this later. Graham: need to clear up before tryouts so that we can relay program costs.

Recreation Coordinator Report:

- Thanks to Mike- Amazing job on pushing promo!!!
- Fall Rec Season- full on board, wants to have rec tournament at end of season. Same method 2 years ago. Love soccer.
- 2013 Boys & Girls open practice to assess rec program players (Regarding: U7 move to U10 goalies).
- Scott working with persons putting up signs- Jelissa Rippee- x5 up, Mike Distler x2 up, 2 signs missing.

Registrar Report:

- Clarify club policy for paying comp coaches when they are suspended. (No pay. Replacement coach will be paid for games).
- 244 Early bird registrations. U8- 45 U12-45 U10- 75 U14-11 U16-4 U19-4
- 31 signed for competitive
- 11 signed up for top soccer
- Rod: More since we're working with Napa & Solano
- Rod- motion to push early bird special to the end of May based on compassion stance to help families. Revised: 2-week extension coupled with FB post- motion passed.

Treasurer Report:

- 5/15 early bird ends: Regular registration for 1 month to 6/15.

Other Business/Calendar Items:

Closed Session:

- To follow immediately after BOD Meeting ends.

Next Meeting: May 25th, 2021, from 6:30-9:00pm via Zoom.