

Four Corners Youth Soccer League

Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/14/2023

Call to Order: Doug called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.

Proxies:

Terra proxy, FCYSL treasurer to Vickie

Terra proxy, Kirtland rep to Kali Warner

Guest: None

Minutes: Motion made by Kyle to accept the minutes seconded by Kali minutes are accepted.

Financials: Not at this time

Board Reports:

Chair Report:

Big Thank you to all; for all the work this season.

Stephanie Grijalva is available and ready to work on anything and everything we have she can help with the progression of things so if everyone can make an effort to pass things her way and then get back with her later and see how things are going.

Vice Chair Report: None

Secretary Report: None

Treasurer Report:

- I have booked Pancake a Alley for our Christmas party on Tuesday, December 12 from 6 PM to 9:30PM. I know this is our actual meeting, but in the past we have just had the Christmas party for our December monthly meeting. Trying to have two activities in the month for just Soccer is really hard for people due to Christmas concerts and other things going on. So I'm asking, please can we have a Christmas party for our meeting. I also need a count from clubs for who will be able to attend the party.
- Also, if we discuss U15 7v7, I think we go back to 11v11 for the spring. Then in the fall 2024, we do 7v7 again. It's a compromise. It's not taking the easy way out. I was under the impression that we would go back to 11v11 this spring.
- I'm working on the tournament totals and the paint \$ amount we have spent on FSC the last 5 years. I can tell everyone this for sure, we never, for FSC, have gone over \$5500.00 and that's a high number. I know we need to **make sure**

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that PRC is diluting like they should. I think we shouldn't hammer on them right now just after Socctoberfest. I'm extremely appreciative to them for everything they did to help make it an all around fantastic tournament.

- I personally want to thank EVERYONE one of you that spent your weekend devoted to the tournament. It was stressful but it was worth it! I can't tell you the amount of coaches, parents and players that stopped by and said what a wonderful experience it was. It's getting better every year and bigger! I'm hoping to be feeling way better by Saturday because I'm going to join the staff at Gaylord this weekend and help but I really want to see how they run the headquarters. TJ is new this year but there are a lot of returning staff. I'm hoping to learn from them so we can run our tournament more efficiently and effectively when it comes to entering scores. (We did get compliments on how quickly we had updates.)
- Indoor soccer I'll be there every Saturday to sign kids in. (Hopefully I've already been exposed to the viruses and I'll be done being sick!) Just let me know where to help Doug. I can put in the facility use request if you need me too. Last year it was \$1000 to rent the college gym. I liked using Mesa View school last year. It was nice and way less busy. Easier to keep an eye on things. Terra

Scheduler Report: Next year have a conversation about tournament bracketing

Director of Coaches:

Working with John Betz and we now have permanent futsal marking on the courts.

Referee Liaison:

- Good seasons with a couple of hiccups, but overall it went well. Push for the league to get anyone who is interested to get training as a ref. Will be sending son training videos to keep them fresh with the laws of the game. Did pick up 3 new refs during the tournament. During off time I will be looking at some different ref platforms for help with assigning refs. Hopefully we can have something by the spring tournament. Will be at gaylord this weekend with the mentors and will get with them on how they assign their refs. Taking two refs with him for the training they did let the refs know about this but have not got any feedback on it. Ordered green whistles for under 18 refs to help people see they are younger refs. To help protect them from abuse.

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Register Report:

- This credentialing meeting for Soctoberfest was the first time we have had to report teams for not doing what needs done. We are getting more lackadaisy on getting things together.
- There were at least 4 teams that had coaches on roosters that were not registered and then we were told they have been coaching all season. Proposed that we have coaches cards on lanyards so that the referees can see that the coach can be out there on the field with the time. Would like to be enacted in the spring.

Tournament Director:

- 83 teams played 30% increase and had 11 fields going. A Lot of compliments from out of town coaches and parents. Thank you to everyone who helped out.

Did have an after tournament meeting with the city notes from the meeting have been sent out by Stephnie.

We need to send thank you cards to sponsors and the city for the help on the tournament. Sthpanie if you could get that together.

Need to set an after tournament meeting to discuss everything from the tournament. Kyle can find a time and send that out.

Tops Soccer Director: None- need to reach out to Tressa Scott, Tiffany Accon and see where they are.

District Commissioner: None

Rep Reports:

Aztec: None

Bloomfield: Meeting with the city manager trying to get a field together for next year.

Farmington: Meeting has been postponed until tomorrow

Kirtland: Kirtland Fields are closed this week for the season.

Work/ Planning Session:

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Old Business:

- **U15 Spring 7 V 7 or 11v11**

No survey has gone out but the consensus seems to be that we go 11v11 and give 7v7 a break. Do not know if there will be enough players for 11v11 rec and 11v11 Classic. Not sure numbers for rec. And Classic. Need to have a conversation with the outlying teams Gallup, Cortez, and Pagosa to see what they are thinking. Do we do rec only, Classic only or both.

Consensus is that in the Spring we will go to 11v11.

Rec. For the spring we will have some conversation with the outliers and reach out to our own coaches to find what was good and what was challenging. Maybe a meeting outside this meeting for this.

Committee for this Stephanie, Doug, Kali, John, Steffan. We will schedule a time for a zoom meeting with an action item list.

Tabled item

- **Rules and Regulations Review** At this time we have many variances of what we are doing in the documents. Committee meeting for this
 - We need to put together a running doc that we add anything that is passed at board meetings so that we can make changes as needed at the AGMS in January. Kali and Stephanie will go through and make the doc. Doc to be given at Christmas dinner 6:00-7:00 pm we will have a quick meeting before dinner.

- **Top Soccer Director-**

We will get some information out to Steffen and his wife to see if it is something they would like to take on. Stephanie if you can get with the director and get the information to them. Other people we can reach out to are Tiffany Accon and Tressa Scott.

- **Specifics for home games in Pagosa in the Spring**

Doug will reach out to these groups.

New Business:

- ❖ Bylaw changes above will be taken in Dec.
- ❖ Classic discussion Pros/Cons- committee can discuss

We need to set tryouts. It is recommended each player and coach attend two tryouts before they can be put on a classic roster. We need to set dates to get out to coaches.

Monday, November 20th zoom meeting 8:00 pm. For Classic requirements

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- ❖ Concessions- If we want to take it over it will need to be all or nothing otherwise let them take over. They are planning to have a follow up meeting next week..
- ❖ We need to decide if we want to take over and commit to it.
- ❖ We had a sponsorship that was omitted from our soccer banner. Recommending to make a banner that will represent them as a sponsor for soccer in the Spring. We will get the logo and make a banner for that.
- Grant presentation and Proposal Committee by Stephanie: Need some people that can put in some time somebody who knows the leagues history, financials, proofreading. We missed a couple of grants that have closed deadlines. Will send emails to committees

Committee: Tera, Doug, Stephnie

- Contact Follow up by Stephanie: will send texts and emails with questions and needs.
- Financials access/ transparency: What it would take for two people to have read access to the bank account. Vickie is on the Bank account along with Tera and gets read only access to Doug. Need to make sure that they are GAP compliant.
- Use of committees to keep board meetings more concise- we put together committees tonight.
- Last two socctoberfests we elected to give back a small portion to some of the volunteers that put in a lot of work and Doug would like to continue that. Would like to see the tournament financials for that decision, We have a preliminary total from Stephanie. Get numbers figured out and get a decision via email.
- To be discussed in Committee meeting- Competitive teams at league level- At a minimum putting together a list of standards so that if FCYSL is doing this we have clear reasons why we are doing this at a league level. Should we have standards for a coaches education licenses that will support the league. If you want to be an FCYSL team here is what we are requiring of you.
 - ★ To be discussed in the Committee meeting We have given coaches the ownership of a team where a coach feels like they have the power to kick a player off a team because they do not like what is going on with a player without coming to the board to justify it.
 - ★ To be discussed in Committee meeting- Coaches code of conduct does not have any consequences attached. Need to write this up.

- Scheduling

- ❖ Annual Budget meeting- Zoom 27th November 7:30pm.

Attendees: Chairman, Treasurer, Stephanie, Vice Chair

- ❖ Spring season game dates- March 1st and 2nd and EOST May4th First Saturday after Labor Day

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- ❖ Credentials- Look at February 24th need to get Rick to the coaches meeting
- ❖ Classic team deadline- will be part of the committee's discussion

Meeting Adjourned: Kyle made a motion to adjourn meeting at 9:22pm. and John seconded Meeting adjourned at 9:23pm.