

GBYSL MEETING
1-17-05

Call to order at 6:40 pm.
Quorum obtained.

Minutes from December meeting: move to approve by Will A. Second by Richard J. All in favor, none opposed.

Board Reports:

Presidents report:

- We still need a secretary for the league. Please go back to your clubs and try to find someone willing to step in.
- Rich met with Mo from Northern Nevada Youth Soccer about ways to get the U17 and U19 players to stay on teams. Part of the problem is that there are so few teams, that they play each other over and over. We are talking with Mo about having friendly games between GBYSL and NNYS teams in those age brackets. We would start with the boys for the spring season and if it works, incorporate the girls next spring.
- We are considering starting end of season tournaments. We would like to start with the Rec division this year and work our way up.
- Rich would like to increase the number of games played. Everyone agreed that this would be a good thing. Suggested to increase to 11-12 games if possible.
- Terry Kish was introduced. She developed a computer program for scheduling games and will be helping with this task.
- We will be in good shape for fields this year. We'll have 4 large complexes and will try to phase out the older fields for games.
- We will be sponsoring the free coach's clinics again this year. Our goal is to have 6 clinics this year. Eddie Henderson has agreed to do a couple and we'll be inviting others as well. These are open and free to all coaches and we anticipate holding them on Sunday afternoons.
- The group "3 v. 3 Live" has approached the league about holding a 3v3 tournament in July. They ask only that GBYSL secure the fields and help with advertising, they would do everything else. The league would get \$10-\$20 per team that registers, depending on how many teams sign up. The format is similar to Micro 6. Winners go the finals in Las Vegas. Anyone can sign up, whether they are registered with GBYSL or not. It was agreed to have Rich look into this further.
- Rich presented a suggestion for spring of 2006. The league needs to try to increase the competitive level of play. He would like to consider limiting the number of competitive teams in GBYSL and move others to the rec division. Teams would move between the rec and competitive divisions depending on standings. This should help increase our level of play. This is a long term plan and needs a lot of consideration. We might also consider an "all stars" of "league team" type of arrangement as well.

Vice President: - not present

Treasurer:

- Financial report submitted.
- Current balances: Operating:\$97,877.05 / Field: \$16,316.75.
- Need to transfer funds from the operating account to the field account for the 2004 season: 2104 players x \$5 each = \$10,520.00. Transfer approved.
- Jeanie is working on learning the program and will be drafting policies on purchases and money handling. Hopefully these will be available for review by the AGM.

Secretary: Nothing to report.

Registrar: not present.

- Vicki reported that Saturday's registration went well with several volunteers. Our appreciation to all of the people that showed up to help.
- We registered 55 new teams; there are 40 returning team from the fall and 4-5 others that are still expected to register.
- We are still working on getting the on-line registration up and running.

Commissioner: not present

No VP: not present

ODP: not present, written report submitted.

Committee Reports:

Rec division – Vicki Moss

- Vicki needs volunteers for all aspects of the division. Please call her if you can help.
- Feedback from the fall was good with only a few minor complaints and problems.

Club Reports:

Capital Soccer:

- Things are going well. They need more nets. Vicki will take care of this.

Carson Valley – not present

Mammoth – not present

Northern Nevada Soccer – not present

Quincy – not present

RSU :

- Doing well. The Micro 6 tournament is on the web site and Washoe Zephyr will be soon.

Sagebrush:

- Start up Tournament is coming up soon. There is a good turn out so far. They will have Goalie Wars this year.
- Sagebrush provided several scholarships this year, not only for soccer fees, but also 2 college scholarships. So far they estimate they've awarded approximately \$10,000 in various scholarships.

Sierra Soccer – not present

Sierra Tahoe Soccer:

- This is the first meeting for the new board. They are working on everything and trying to get people to volunteer for the club and the league.

Old Business:

- League mission statement:
 - This has been tabled several times to allow the State to complete their statement. However, we need to go ahead and get ours done. We need people who are interested in developing the mission statement. Anyone interested please let Rich know.
- Fees for background checks.
 - So far the State is still paying for these.
- Disciplinary committee findings:
 - There was one unresolved issue from the last meeting that the Disciplinary Committee did not finish. The Board needs to make a decision on this issue.
 - This was a team that brought several players registered on another team to tryouts. The original recommendation was to restrict the team from traveling for the season if they accepted the players in question.
 - Motion by Will A: Recommend that this team is not allowed to travel to any out of state games or go to State Cup. Second by Richard J.
 - Discussion: Friendly-Suggest that we amend this to “follow state cup guidelines” instead of “not allowed to go to State Cup” and add “if they accept the players in question”.
 - Amended motion: That if the team accepts the players in question they will not be allowed to travel out of state through spring 2005, and they must adhere to the State Cup guidelines. Friendly accepted. Second by Richard J. All in favor, none opposed.

New business:

- Transfer fees:
 - It was suggested that we increase the fee to transfer to another team. The thought is that this may help to decrease the number of “frivolous” transfers.
 - Current fee is \$20.00 and goes to the state. A variety of amounts were suggested: from \$49.00 to \$105.00. After extensive discussions it was decided to increase the transfer fee to \$50.00
 - Motion by Richard J to increase transfer fees to \$50.00. Second by Sherry P. All in favor, none opposed.
 - \$20.00 will go to the State and \$30.00 to GBYSL.
- At a previous meeting it was suggested that we re-activate the Player Transfer Committee.
 - Since we are increasing the fee, it was decided to wait and see if we still needed to active this.
- State Cup Playoffs –withdrawn
- Registration extension request – withdrawn
- Rules modification:
 - 3.08(b) add “seasonal”. Move to approve by Will A, second by Vicki M. All in favor, none opposed.

- 3.08(e) add “including parents of registered players”. Move to approve by Will A, second by Richard J. All in favor, none opposed.
- 3.09(c) add “unregistered” and verbiage on written submission. Move to approve by Will A, second by Richard J. All in favor, none opposed.

Other business:

A report was received that some coaches have told players at tryouts that if they tryout for other teams they will not be selected for that coach’s team. This should never happen and the clubs need to watch for these things.

It was suggested that the League consider having one combined tryout day for all clubs and teams. That way all coaches could see all players and all players would be able to get to all tryouts. This would also be easier for the parents. This is something that the League can look into.

Terri Kish gave a presentation on her scheduling program. The printouts will look different but once everyone gets used to it should work well. We will be designating “home” fields for each team.

Requests to play up or down:

- U12G/TNT Fury. This is physically small team and they want to play the upper U12 teams and/or the lower U13 teams.
 - We can’t accommodate splitting the divisions with the new scheduling program. Vicki will call them and ask them to pick a bracket to play in.
- U12 Gunners: Want to play up to U13. Move to approve by Vicki M, second by Sherry P. All in favor, none opposed.
- RSU Orange Excel: Requesting to play up to U17-19. They will already be in this bracket due to the number of teams registered.
- U16 G Tenacity: requesting to play U17. Move to approve by Vicki M, second by Will A. All in favor, none opposed.
- U14B Reno Moon Dogs: Requesting to play U15. They will be in the U15-U16 bracket, but don’t want to play the U16 teams. Move to approve by Will A, second by Richard J. All in favor, none opposed.
- U17 Cougars: requesting to play down to U16. They have 6 U17 players, 5 U15 players and 5 U16 players. They have too many U17 players to play down. Move to deny by Vicki M, second by Richard. All in favor, none opposed.
- U15 B Blue Streak: want to play down to U14. They have 1 U15 player who is 4 days over the cutoff. All other players are U14. Move to approve by Will A. Second by Debbie. All in favor, none opposed.
- Mammoth has combined several players over 4 age divisions to make one U17 B team. They have the following players; U17-3, U16-3, U15-3, U14-3. They want to play U16. Move to approve by Jean K, second by Richard J. All in favor, none opposed.

Referee Recommendations:

Rich presented the following requests from the Referee’s Association;

- Corner flags: the home team is responsible for putting up the corner flags. If they aren't in place within 5 minutes of the time the game is to start, the referee can forfeit the game.
- Nets: need new ones at South Valley.
- Portable goals need anchors.
- Fields: They would like the fields lined one time per week and the referee's would like to take responsibility for this task under the current GBYSL pay scale for painting. (\$20.00 per field).
 - SYSF takes care of the Sparks fields.
 - We need to discuss this one more.
- Player equipment: they will be enforcing the 2" shin guard rule. Guards can be no more than 2" above the ankle. They are also encouraging any player with glasses to wear addition eye protection.
 - We need clarification on how players can wear their socks: over or under the shin guard. Ref's need to come to a decision on this and make sure all ref's are consistent.
- Pay raise:
 - They are requesting the following pay raise:
 - \$1.00 per minute of game play if there are 3 referees. This amount would be divided between three referees.
 - If there are two referee's: .66cents per minute of game play.
 - If one referee: .40centes per minute of game play.
 - Motion by Vicki M to try this for the spring only then review. Second by Richard J. All in favor, none opposed.
 - We need to discuss with the Association about billing and consider paying them one amount and having them pay the individuals.

Good of the Game:

Will A announced that many of the players on his team have decided to wear protective head gear after one of the players was injured.

Adjourn at 9:05 pm