

Bellevue Soccer Club
Executive Council Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2009

Board members in attendance: Bob Brandriff, Greg Fisher, Sarah Fisher, Rich Locke, Sharon Moore, Steve Moore, Kirk Nelson, Todd Smith, Tina Story, Doug Whitfield

Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 7:06pm

Approve January Minutes

- On vandalism: Rich Lock talked to the captain of the Bellevue force and questioned whether we fall under the jurisdiction of Bellevue or Sarpy County. We currently fall under Sarpy County. However, that may change soon with annexations.
- Bob Brandriff made a motion to approve the January Minutes; Sharon Moore seconded the motion
- Minutes were approved

Treasurer's Report

- All 1099 forms were mailed out on time
- There will be a budget meeting in the next 1-2 weeks

Old Business:

- Conflict of Interest Policy
 - Rich found that other clubs have wording in their bylaws stating if a board member has a personal interest in the topic being voted on or discussed that board member does not participate in either the discussion or voting. He also found that some of these clubs will allow the board to grant an exception to this rule if needed.
 - Rich made a motion to accept the wording and amend the BSC bylaws as follows:

"Conflict of interest," as referred to herein, shall include but shall not be limited to, any transaction by or with the CLUB in which a Board Member has a direct or indirect personal interest, or any transaction in which a Board Member is unable to exercise impartial judgment or otherwise act in the best interests of the CLUB. No Board Member shall cast a vote, nor take part in the final deliberation in any matter in which he or she, members of his or her immediate family, or any organization to which such Board Member has allegiance, has a personal interest that may be seen as competing with the interest of the CLUB. Any Board Member who believes he or she may have such a conflict of interest shall so notify the CLUB Board prior to deliberation on the matter in question, and the CLUB Board shall make the final determination as to whether any Board Member has a conflict of interest in any matter. The minutes of the CLUB Board meeting shall reflect disclosure of any conflict of interest and the recusal of the interested Board Member.

The Club Board can make an exception at a regularly scheduled Board Meeting with a two-thirds affirmation vote:

1. authorizing the exemption, and
2. stating the nature of and the reason for the exemption

The vote must be recorded in the minutes.

- This motion was tabled until March.
- Team formation guidelines
 - Chris Drake and Kris Zendejas have been working on this
 - Because it is close to the beginning of the season these guidelines will not be effective until the Fall 2009 season
 - Is there documentation stating that teams are formed by neighborhoods?
 - Greg told age group directors to keep in touch with Kris Zendejas and help out with forming teams as much as possible.
- South Omaha practice at BSC
 - Details of South Omaha practicing at BSC
 - 32 players maximum, only Boys team
 - Would rotate around the fields to accommodate other activities at the Complex and not damage fields
 - Start March 2, Monday-Friday, 3:00-6:00
 - After season starts on March 19, practice 3 days weekly
 - Not sure on the payback of letting Omaha South practice at BSC, but it would help BSC get in good graces with the community
 - Is this a policy change or a special case?
 - Special case
 - Doug Whitfield motioned to allow the Omaha South Boys Soccer Team to practice at BSC, understanding field conditions & availability must be coordinated with the Director of Fields & Maintenance and the Director of Scheduling
 - Rich Locke seconded the motion
 - Motion passed
 - The Omaha Gross Boys Soccer Team will be playing their games at BSC, the girls team will not
 - Gross wants both teams at the same complex in 2010
 - BSC is trying to get both teams in 2010

New Business:

- Advertisements in coaching packets
 - There have been many requests about putting merchandise and service information in the coaches packets
 - The Board decided that the information would be available at the coaches meeting, not in the coaches packets
- Budget meeting
 - There will be a budget meeting on February 18 or 19, 2009
- Field usage policy and rates
 - BSC needs to have a written policy for field usage by any team, BSC or not, for practice or games.
 - Policy needs to include the process for requesting field usage
 - Cost for usage
 - A special committee will be formed to research past documents and update them
 - Todd Smith will chair this committee
 - Doug Whitfield was appointed to the committee by Greg Fisher

Reports

- Registrar
 - All registration fliers and information has been distributed to schools
- Directors
 - Maintenance
 - Fields for Spring 2009 season have been laid out
 - Removing permanent goals from Field 7 due to vandalism
 - The last Saturday of February (February 28) will be the day to clean up the Complex. Need to move goals, trash cans, etc.
 - Scheduling
 - The application for use of facilities is complete with the City of Bellevue
 - Currently receiving practice field and time requests for Spring 2009 season
 - Officials
 - No report
 - Micro
 - No report
 - U7/8 Boys
 - No report
 - U7/8 Girls
 - What is the status of U9 ENSA?
 - Coach Perrone is staying in the recreational division
 - Are co-ed teams allowed at this age group? Do we have a policy?
 - Although boys and girls teams are formed separately, co-ed teams can be allowed if needed.
 - Girls allowed on a boys team as long as team remains majority girls, no boys allowed on a girls team
 - There is currently no score keeping done at this age group. Can referees informally keep track of the score to help track which teams or players may have the ability and desire to move up to a more competitive level?
 - Yes, this is fine.
 - U9/10 Boys
 - No report
 - U9/10 Girls
 - No report
 - U12/14 Boys
 - No report
 - U12/14 Girls
 - Rich Locke's Booyah team will be combining with some members of the United and Explosion (left from Bill Colbert) and play ENSA, 7 v 7
 - Tops
 - No report
 - Competition
 - Select training will be Monday/Wednesday/Saturday starting March 16, 2009
 - Monday/Wednesday will be U11-14 (head trainer is Matt Briggs of Bellevue University)
 - Saturday will be U9/10 boys and girls (head trainer is Jim Homan of College of St. Mary's)

- BSC needs to have a "site supervisor" at the Complex during training
 - Trainers during the season will be paid bi-weekly
 - Trainers need to fill out W-9 form from www.irs.gov
 - Proposed budget has estimated cost of training.
 - Need to talk to Marv Campbell about having somebody else on the BSC checking account with the ability to sign checks
- Committees
 - Capital Improvements
 - Fence: Rough estimates are about \$6,900 to get a cable & post fence with a pipe gate
 - Doug Whitfield motioned to develop specs and get bids for a fence
 - Rich Locke seconded the motion
 - Motion passed
 - Vacating the cul-de-sac
 - Will cost about \$600 to run necessary paperwork
 - Doug will talk to Larry Denton to see how far Larry has gotten on this project
 - Bellevue Berry Farm
 - Bellevue Berry Farm would cost more money than using school fields
 - Still unsure if using Bellevue Berry Farm land would be BSC paying to lease the land, make improvements, or any other details.
 - Grievances
 - No report
 - Fundraising
 - The committee did have a meeting during the past month but does not have anything to bring to the Board at this point
 - Publications/Public Affairs/Advertising
 - No report
 - Awards and Recognition
 - Scholarships applications will be due April 1, 2009. This is a change from previous years when applications were due on March 15.
 - The committee will meet April 4 or 5 to select recipient(s)
 - BSC will send a check to the college/university of each recipient
 - Tournaments/Camps
 - We have fliers for British Soccer Camp
 - Competitive Development
 - No report
 - Coach/Trainer Education and Development
 - This will be included with player development
 - Player Development
 - See attached notes
 - Information Technology
 - The new BSC website will be through Team Sports Technology, CornerKickSystems division. This company does many different sports and CornerKickSystems is the soccer version.
 - Features: unlimited email addresses, RSS feeds, team sites, advertising spots, coach bios, ability to have specific people update specific pages, polls/surveys, and unlimited disk space

- New site will be up and running by April 15, 2009
 - Make sure there is an "About Us" section that includes our mission statement
 - Equipment
 - Need #3 and #4 balls for Spring
 - Need ball bags
 - Goals are not \$2,500 a pair, they are actually \$3,200 a pair.
 - Only need 2 pair instead of 3
 - Made motion to amend goals to spend up to \$7,000 total
 - Motion passed
- Side bar conversations
 - Doug is arranging a meeting with Severson from Bellevue Public Schools, BSC Board Members, and BPS Athletic Directors to help build relationships with BPS.
 - Also need to build relationships with Bryan and Plattsmouth
 - Uniforms
 - The idea of having recreational teams wear reversible jerseys is being considered
 - Jerseys would be purchased by the parents
 - This will lower registration fees
 - All BSC recreational teams will wear the same uniform
 - Run a poll to get member opinion
 - Select uniforms
 - There are three choices, picked by the coaches
 - NSSA Update
 - NSSA is sponsoring a golf outing at Stone Creek
 - Looking for hole sponsorship
 - \$100 per head for golf
 - This is a fundraiser to help offset costs of 100% background checks
 - Academy registration up to U12 is allowed
 - Register all players in the same age group on one team, like BSC currently does for Micro
 - This could eliminate the need for tryouts at U13

Adjourn Meeting

- Meeting adjourned at 10:58pm