

Edina Soccer Club

Meeting Minutes: October 10, 2011

Board Members Present: Carlson, Cerf, Dowda, Engen, Hogan, Lee, Northrup, Paciecznik, Rundquist, Yueh

Absent: Martin

Others Present: Adams, Buratti

1. **Welcome Bob:** Welcome to new Board Member, Bob Paciecznik, who will officially start his three year term in January, 2012. His role on the Board is yet to be determined.
2. **Approval of October Minutes:** Minutes from September 12, 2011, approved.
3. **Administrator's Report:** Buratti updated the Board that Coach and referee payments have been made, most team payments are in and the majority of coach concussion certificates are in. The website is up to date and includes tryout dates for U9 Summer 2012, Fall 2012 and Summer 2013. Kevin Kachan, referee coordinator, will attend the November meeting to review any referee concerns. ESC is pleased to announce that five teams have made it to the State Tournament, with the possibility of one additional team. Winter training times have been confirmed and posted for U8 through 14 on the website. Schedules for the older age groups will be out as soon as available. Space has been secured for additional winter training at the EHS Field House. There will be at least one, if not two, uniform / extra apparel sizing events in late October, early November. Reminder of the Dome Sub Committee meetings that continue with the Edina Park Board, every other Thursday. Committee is still in the early stages of gathering information with no clear timeframe for completion of the study. Reminder that all new Board members must submit information for a background check and this can be done at any time.
4. **New Board Members:** Discussion of potential Board Member candidates continued with Dowda and Rundquist giving a brief overview of their meetings with each. Votes were taken and a slate of five candidates was approved. Joining Bob Paciecznik starting in January, 2012, are Gordon Wright, Gerry Greene, Jeremy Olson, Marty Johnson, and Sandy Salsbury.
5. **Coach Evaluation:** Work continues on developing a coach survey for parent feedback. Montgomery is narrowing the questions to 5 or 6 and will present to the Board when completed.
6. **Winter Training Update:** Winter training is set to begin for U8-14 on November 8. Reminder e-mails have been sent and registration is underway. Top teams, including U11 C2, and C1 teams through U14, have winter training included in their fees. All other players may sign up on a first come, first serve basis. Rosters are still being finalized for U15 and above and once set, winter training schedules will be posted for these age groups.
7. **Field Czar /Branding Progress Reports:** Northrup reported Alden Park is all set with nets and will provide additional practice space for next season. He also announced General Sports now has a small assortment of ESC branded apparel for purchase including a hat, t-shirt and hooded sweatshirt.
8. **Director Reports:**
 - A. **DOC:** In Montgomery's absence, Rundquist reported another successful Fall season is nearing completion. Nell visited all the boy's teams at least twice in the short time he was here. Nell will need to let the Club know of his intentions by the end of the year as to whether he will be able to continue in his current role as Co-DOC. In the meantime, Carlson, Northrup, Adams and Dowda volunteered to be part of a committee to explore the DOC structuring of ESC to determine the best way to serve the needs of our players.
 - B. **Team Manager:** Hogan reported the Fall season has gone well and most managers are in place for Summer with the exception of the U9 teams that won't be announced until after February tryouts.
 - C. **Girls and Boys Directors:** Carlson reported there will be a U17 girls' team for Summer 2012. Northrup discussed a boys' U13 C1 parent meeting that was held to discuss whether the team should remain C1 for Summer 2012. Decision was made to have the team play at the C2 level.
 - D. **Website:** Team pages will be updated now that the Fall season is coming to a close. New Board Member, Salsbury, fully utilized the website as a Team Manager and has expressed interest in coming up with a web user manual or at the very least, sharing some of her expertise.
 - E. **Age Group Directors:** Northrup reported the U9 Girls Jamboree was a great success and the boys are set to play on Tuesday, October 11.

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