

**Eagan Wave Soccer Club  
Board Meeting Minutes  
August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009**

The following board members were present, in addition to myself: President Pat Oberembt, Brent Elert, Mike Anderson, Dave Anderson, Duane Juergens, Bill Douglas, Terri Abbott, Mike Mulrooney, Mark Feil, Kate O'Brien, Colleen Carey, Tim Ploetz, Ward Knutson, Mark Lasswell and Skip Newton.

Terri presented a request for payment approval of \$3279.75 to CC Kicks for the the Speed and Agility Camp. Colleen asked that the club waive the 5% take, as attendance was light, likely due to late registration activation and advertising.

Duane **motioned** to waive the 5% fee in this specific instance. Mike M 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed.

Bill then **motioned** to approve the payment of \$3279.75 + 5%, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Tim. This motion, too, passed.

Kate gave us the Fall registration update, with the fall uniform info. She wants any new players that play next Spring to work with their team managers to order their uniform through the Locker Room. She suggested that we get information out to teams, letting them know of the November/December dome time availability. We then discussed how to implement an on-line registration for the former. There will be more information to follow. Colleen did suggest that we could also use that time for some open "street soccer". Ward would work on financials.

Bill then told us that the In-House Committee had hoped to roll-out the possible Rec-Plus program for Spring 2010, with registration to occur in February.

Colleen gave her Technical Director report and let us know of the upcoming EAA Coaches Clinic. She would also be putting together a Futsal League at the YWCA in Minneapolis.

On to the upcoming U12-17 Tryouts:

Brent asked that a motion be brought forward to include a section in the By-Laws Appendix D16C, which will state that EWSC will not grant excused absences for vacations or reunions. Mike M 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. After much discussion, the **motion** was amended to state the following:

“Discretionary excuses including, but not limited to, vacations and reunions will be rejected.”

Brent accepted the amendment, which was put to a vote and passed with one member opposed.

Mike M then offered a handout and asked that we consider a **motion**, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brent, to allow for a “gifted player” excused absence option, which should be added to the By-Laws Appendix D15, section B. The handout was amended to read as such:

*In regards to a player who has played at an age group up, for a minimum of two years, an excused absence can be granted for the upper age group, with the approval of the age group director and technical director, providing that the player meets all of the requirements needed for an excused absence.*

The motion passed with one member opposed.

Brent raised a concern he has for next year’s U16 Boys. There is a concern that with a new premier team, we may have enough players to form a 3<sup>rd</sup> team, over the two we currently have. With many new players likely trying out for the premier team, he wanted to petition MYSA to allow the possible third team to come in at the C1 level (currently we have a premier and a strong C2 team). It was felt that MYSA would only consider that after we have the actual list of possible players, which would require that Brent not be allowed to make that request until the September MYSA meeting.

As such, Brent **moved** that the board consider allowing an extension for a refund drop-date for this particular age-group until October 1<sup>st</sup>. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike M and passed unanimously.

Mark F informed us of the upcoming EAA/EWSC Night on September 12<sup>th</sup> between the EHS Boys and Girls Soccer games. Sportsmanship awards would be handed out that night to the individual winners and team honors would also be mentioned. All players and coaches who wear their uniforms would be allowed into the games for free.

Brent presented a request from a boy’s family who asked that for a scholarship request for fall.

Mike M **motioned**, and Bill 2<sup>nd</sup>, to give the family a \$50 scholarship for Fall 2009 Soccer. The motion was passed.

Pat worked on a fundraising opportunity for us with Dunn Brothers Coffee. He will be bringing forms for their Community Giving program to tryouts, in the hopes that families will use them with the donations going to EWSC.

Pat then reminded the board that elections for several positions will be coming up for a vote at the Annual Meeting in October. He asked that those members who were up for renewal inform him at the September meeting of their intent as to whether they will continue or not. He also asked that the board consider other individuals who may be interested in filling those positions that will be opening up.

We then discussed the four fines due to MYSA, that are under consideration. One team had already paid. We are considering an appeal for one and would look into the other two fines.

Pat is considering two proposals for MYSA rule changes:

- 1) in 4.2.1.2 (Section II) – last place teams in C1/C2 are automatically relegated. If teams are tied, all are relegated. He proposes that if teams have at least 33% of the total points, that they should not be relegated.
- 2) he wants to also propose this for premier teams, though he may include that if no teams are relegated, at least one C1 team be promoted.

The board liked his ideas and suggested that he go ahead with his proposals.

Duane **motioned** to adjourn at 10:03 pm. Tim 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed with full approval!

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanne Elert  
EWSC Secretary