



## Seattle United Board of Directors Meeting Minutes John Marshall Building, July 21, 2011

Board Member	Name	Attendance
President	Bret MacPherson	Present
Executive Vice President	Mike Ehrenberg	
Secretary	Dave Richardson	Present
Treasurer	Andrew Cross	Present
Marketing	Rob Palmatier	
Compliance	Phil Herold	Present
Fundraising	Len Jordan	Present
Fundraising	Charlie Butt	Present
Scholarship	Jess Gobel	Present
Uniforms	Bryan Coluccio	
Board member	Michelle Merkle	Present
Board member, in-coming Treasurer	Susan Martin	
SYSA Representative	Joseph Peck	Present
SYSA Representative	Paul Payton	
Soccer Operations	Dave Hennes	Present
Soccer Operations	Parker Mason	
Executive Director	Kevin Long	Present
Coaching Director	Jimmy McAlister	Present
Technical Director	Jason Farrell	Present
Others/Guests	Name	Attendance
2011 Golf Committee Chair	Carol Brown	Present
2011 Golf Committee member	Alan Spragins	Present
2011 Golf Committee member	Stacy Sikora	Present
2011 Golf Committee member	Steve Peerce	Present
2011 Golf Committee member, SU Coach	Kyle Rodeheaver	Present

### Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM.

### Housekeeping

Minutes from the June 16 meeting were approved.

### 2011 Golf & Auction Committee Report

Golf Committee Chair Carol Brown reported that the tournament and auction netted \$15,000 for the SU Scholarship Fund. Revenue included participant fees, sponsorships and auction purchases. Carol reported on volunteer recognition, sponsor recognition, and the goal of increasing the value and depth of sponsors and sponsor auction items. Alan Spragins reported that one of the biggest challenges the

committee faced was marketing the event to club members, and how this will be key to moving this event forward next year. Other discussion items included the timeline for next year's event, securing the same venue for next year, a club wide email recapping the event, as well as posting to the club web site in order to elicit support from members unable to attend this event.

### **Director of Coaching Report**

Jimmy provided handouts to the BOD. Discussion items included: coaches failing to fulfill rosters prior to the start of fall season and the problems caused when rosters are not completed by then; presently there are 40 vacant roster spots spread across 92 teams. Discussion ensued. Next, Jimmy reported on the strong club showing at the adidas Beaverton Tournament, where we had three champions and twelve finalists. Seattle Cup, the club's first-ever tournament, is in good shape with nearly 90 teams presently registered for the August event.

### **Technical Director Report**

Jason reported that 120 players signed up for SU's Speed, Agility and Quickness program; 100 kids have registered for the five-week Juniors Program; the June ATP program sold out; SoccerFest was another great success, with many great Regional matches; Fall programs will include both PDA and ATP at Magnuson Park on Fridays beginning September 9.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Andrew had no financial report at this time. He indicated that Peterson Sullivan LLC have been retained to audit the club's books later this year, with Chuck Porter assisting. Andrew met with Kevin and Susan Martin to begin review of financial duties/responsibilities handoff. A motion was made to provide travel support to G95 Copa for its appearance at the US Club Finals in Boise, Idaho. The motion was seconded, and passed unanimously.

### **Executive Director's Report**

Report distributed prior to the meeting. Discussion items: Washington State Employment Security Department informed the club that it would be auditing club financial records/payroll for the 2010 calendar year. ESD will be looking at our 1099 records in order to determine whether those coaches are independent contractors or employees; next, Kevin discussed the Seattle Public School District's proposal to reactivate the John Marshall School as a middle school, with a decision date of October, 2011; next, Kevin and Charlie Butt discussed a planned fall Raffle.

### **Soccer Operations Report**

Dave Hennes reported on the club's continued efforts to communicate with SYSA's Rec clubs, and how SU can be a resource for these programs, including the developing process of how interested Rec teams can come over to SU under our Community Select model. Discussion ensued. Next, Dave raised the issue of a jersey numbering policy and referred the BOD to a document Bryan Coluccio drafted on the matter. After much discussion, Bret called for a Jersey Number Task Force, to include Bret, Bryan, Joseph Peck and Michelle Merkle.

**SYSA Report**

Dave Richardson supplemented his emailed SYSA report with details on several issues at the association level. These included: TOPS Soccer (serving Seattle disabled youth soccer players and how SU has an opportunity to exert a positive influence there); forthcoming field rental price increases from Parks & Rec; SYSA exploration of Korrio software; discussion of developing a privacy policy; review of RMA clearance process options; update on SYSA's Field Task Force progress, and the process of trading training field dates/times SU is undertaking with SYSA's Rec clubs.

**Scholarship/Financial Aid Report**

Jess reported that G92 Copa provided a check in the amount of \$1500 from surplus team funds that it has donated to the SU Scholarship Fund. Andrew Cross, G92 Team Treasurer, and all of the G92 players and parents were thanked by Jess and the BOD for this generous contribution. Other items: distribution of surplus scholarship funds in the form of scholarship player team fees. Discussion ensued.

**Governance/Compliance Report**

Phil reported from the Governance Committee, and reviewed the BOD election timeline. Topics included number of current positions that, per club bylaws, have to stand for election; number of positions from SU regions; SYSA seats on the board; and that the election process concludes at the October AGM. Discussion ensued. Governance has proposed that the club establish an Election Committee, to be chaired by Bob Sigley.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.