**Seattle United Board of Directors**

**Meeting Minutes**

**November 21, 2013**

**Seattle United Headquarters, 605 S. Orcas St.**

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| Name | Title/Function | Attendance |
| Board Members |
| Brian Floyd | President | Present |
| Dori Karjian | Vice President | Absent |
| David Hennes | Treasurer/NE ROC | Present |
| Steven Caplow | Secretary | Present |
| David Bowerman | Director-at-Large | Present |
| Yarrow Banko | SYSA Commissioner | Absent |
| Vance Clipson | West ROC | Present |
| Mike Ehrenberg | Director-at-Large | Present |
| Kurt Hanson | Director-at-Large | Present |
| Cyndy Masada | Shoreline ROC/Compliance Officer | Present |
| Stephen Morrissey | Director-at-Large | Present |
| Jennifer Price | Director-at-Large | Present |
| Cam Ragen | Director-at-Large | Present |
| Warren Ratliff | Director-at-Large/SU Commissioner to SYSA | Present |
| Robert Sheppard | Director-at-Large | Present |
| Christine White | Director-at-Large | Present |
| Ben Wilson | South ROC | Present |

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| Other Participants |
| Kevin Long | Executive Director | Present |
| Jimmy McAlister | Director of Coaching | Present |
| Angela Castaneda | South ROC Alternate | Present |

1. **Call to Order**

A quorum of members of the voting Board being present (15 of 17), a regular meeting of the Seattle United Board of Directors was officially called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The new President elect, Brian Floyd, made some introductory remarks

1. **Regular Business**

**The FIRST order of business** was to defer presentation and approval of the October 17, 2013 minutes from the annual general meeting.

**The SECOND order of business** was a report by SU Executive Director Kevin Long on the following matters:

Parks and Green Spaces Levy Oversight Committee. Long attended the October meeting of the Oversight Committee and presented comments on behalf of SU encouraging the allocation of public space for soccer fields.

Corporate Development Associate. Long reported that SU had hired Kelli Stewart to work as a part-time Corporate Development Associate to assist the Club develop corporate sponsorships. Stewart will work in collaboration with the Club and report to Executive Director Long.

Bank Sponsorship. Long reported on an upcoming meeting with Homestreet Bank, purchased by existing SU corporate sponsor Fortune Bank, to discuss transition of the sponsorship.

**The THIRD order of business** was an update by director Rob Sheppard on potential corporate sponsors.

**The FOURTH order of business** was a report by SU Director of Coaching Jimmy McAlister on the following matters:

Player Safety Issues**.** McAllister reported on communications with the Parks Department and team managers to address potential areas of player safety during winter practice in the evening hours. McAllister has been in regular communication with the Parks Department about the need to maintain adequate lighting and repair broken equipment and with team managers regarding protocols for younger players to visit the restroom during practice and meet parents on the field after practice.

SYSA Jamboree. McAllister reported on the upcoming November 30 All-City jamboree for U9 and U10. All team slots are full.

**The FIFTH order of business** was a report by director Cam Ragen regarding uniforms and a meeting of the medical advisory committee. SU’s uniform supplier, Adidas, agreed to a unilateral modification of SU’s supply agreement that will change the purchase cycle and reduce player costs. Adidas is discontinuing its current light blue uniform color and will replace it with a slightly different shade. With respect to the medical advisory committee, SU has submitted a letter in support of an independent investigator’s proposal for a NIH grant to study sports related concussions. If the granted is funded by the NIH, the medical advisory committee will make a recommendation to the full board as to whether SU should participate in the study.

**The SIXTH order of business** was a report on the financials by director Dave Hennes. Hennes reviewed the monthly statement of revenues and expenditures. SU’s fiscal year ends in March 2014. In the first step of the annual budget process for the next fiscal year, Hennes presented a conceptual outline of the 2014/15 budget, and reviewed some of the budget items under consideration to get input from the full board. These comments will help guide the finance committee when it develops the next iteration of the 2014/15 budget.

1. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Minutes taken by Steven Caplow, Secretary