



EMERALD CITY FOOTBALL CLUB

Emerald City FC Regular Board Meeting

December 14th, 2009

Sand Point Education Center, Seattle Washington

In attendance: Joe Picciano, Jonathan Fischer, Tor Jernudd, VP of Membership Jeanne Suleiman, Coaches Representative David Smith, Coaches Representative Tai Po (arrived a few minutes late), Dan Barsher, Monique Keranen, Business Manager Mea Fischelis, Coaching Director Bobby Howe.

Excused: Ruth Nicholson, Player Reps Angela Fischer and Chris Perkins, Tai Po.

Meeting was called to order at 7:07pm.

Minutes: *Jonathan Fischer motions that the November 9th, 2009 minutes be approved. Dan Barsher 2nds. Approved 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.*

TP arrives.

Amendments to Emerald City FC bylaws: *Jonathan Fischer motions to approve the bylaw amendments as proposed at the November 09, 2009 meeting and as recorded in the minutes of that meeting. Monique Keranen 2nds. Approved. 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.*

ECFC Communications policy: The board discusses WYS and Emerald City FC communications policies and examines recent emails and communications. *Jonathan Fischer motions that Mr. Murphy be found by the Emerald City FC Board of Directors to be in violation of WYS and ECFC communications policy, and that President Joe Picciano send a letter to Mr. Murphy informing him of that finding. Dan Barsher 2nds. Approved. 7 in favor. 0 opposed. 0 abstentions.*

PDL update: JP and Coaching Director Bobby Howe update the board on recent developments.

Emerald City FC Coach travel reimbursement policy: The board



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reviews proposal presented by Coaches representative David Smith. *Jonathan Fischer motions to amend the Emerald City FC coach travel reimbursement policy such that the northern boundary for reimbursement eligibility be moved to 35 miles from Seattle. Dan Barsher 2nds. Approved. 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.*

Treasurer Report: JF presented the board with update on Emerald City FC's financial condition including a current financial statement and "budget vs actuals". He also reported that the A/R is now below \$74K.

Events: The board was reminded of the Emerald City FC event calendar including: annual team meetings, the Holiday Jamboree, the Chihuly fundraising event, and the awards night.

Membership Issues: In connection with a player departure there was one report of an issue with inappropriate player behavior on a team prior to, or possibly at team events. Coaching Director BH had commenced an investigation, and will follow up as necessary with other board members and the team coach.

Business Manager Report: Mea presented a written report and updated the board on uniforms, club events and newsletters.

For the coming year no major changes will be made to the kit, and the club will not require the purchase of a full new kit, only fill in items as necessary. It is anticipated that an entirely new uniform will be selected for the 2011/12 season. President Joe Picciano confirmed that the Uniform Committee, with members Jon Bakken and Tor Jernudd, shall continue to assist Mea as necessary with uniform issues. Karen Launceford was thanked for her service.

SYSA Commissioner's Report: Monique gave a report detailing the last SYSA board meeting.

Coaching Director Report: Bobby gave a report which included information on: the status of player evaluations, a recent coaches meeting where UW Dean Wurzbarger mad a presentation on team management, an update regarding the PDL, team meetings, tentative



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plans for U-8s to U-10s programs, post-cup training plans, and PDL brackets for the spring.

Grievance Update: JP confirmed that ECFC had filed a “right to exist” grievance with District 1, copying WYS and SYSA, in accordance with all District and WYS rules on November 19th, 2009. The grievance is in response to Emerald City FC’s membership’s demand that our club continues to provide high quality programming to the soccer playing youth of Seattle as expressed in the resolution passed at the ECFC Annual General Meeting in June 2009, in the subsequent member survey, and most recently in the annual team meetings. No response or acknowledgment has yet been received.

Fundraising Update: Dan Barsher and Jeanne Suleiman presented an update on fundraising for the ECFC financial aid fund and there was discussion of the forthcoming Chihuly event, a potential raffle, and the car wash program.

Adjournment 10:15 pm. Dan Barsher motions to adjourn meeting. Jeanne Suleiman 2nds. Approved 7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.