

Eugene Metro Fútbol Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: January, 18 2006

Location: Cesar Chavez Elementary School

Start Time: 6:05 pm

End Time: 8:10 pm

Attendees: Evon Smith, Kurt Engle, Guy Arbogast, Steve Cooney, Jurgen Ruckaberle, Mac Wilson, Flo Delaney

Minutes:

Introductions –

Treasurer's Report – Evon Smith/Flo DeLaney

David has not had a chance to review financials for December/January. He will report at the next board meeting. Flo is looking to close the books for '06 and needs consultation from David Davini on doing this.

High Schools program payments have been coming in.

Evon and Flo have looked at all the player accounts for the past year. They are in very good shape but there are a couple of families who are having difficulties in paying their bills. Mac and Evon have discussed consequences for not paying. These families have not communicated back to the club; no letter, phone, e-mail, etc...

Director of Coaching – Mac Wilson

1- Current Events for the club - 9 teams (2 HS and 7 Youth). Uniforms have been ordered for the teams. The Dynamo has a full roster with 1 or 2 training kids. All teams will start training in a couple of weeks in preparation for Spring League.

a) *Winter FootSkill*- Numbers have been increasing. We will try to be more organized in the future about marketing this type of program.

b) *Top Soccer*- One more session is left. Trophies have been ordered and will be presented to the kids. The program has paid for itself with some left over for next session. EMFC has been approached and asked to host a state wide Top Soccer symposium to teach other coaches to do Top Soccer sessions throughout the state. This will happen sometime in June. We will hold it at Kick City in Springfield. We will look into applying for grants and asking OYSA for money to help pay for this program.

c) *Futsal/Dropins*-Pretty well attended. Mac would like to emphasize these sessions more in the future. The scholarship jar was moderately successful but it was not emphasized. There will be discussion in the future this subject.

d) *New Coaches*- We have a new coach (Ahmed El-Sayad) that will be helping Brian Roach with the Rangers this Spring.

2- Coaching Licensure/Development Support

a) *EMFC "D" License*-EMFC will plan on hosting a "D" license clinic in August. There is a history of clubs helping coaches pay for their coaches to get licensed. There will be more discussion regarding how to help our coaches get licensed. There is concern about the club paying for licensure and then have the coach leave the club.

3- Future Events

a) *Spring Break Camp*-Jurgen will be running the Spring Break camp. Jurgen is hoping to attract up to 100+ kids. He will hold two sessions a day, one in the morning and one in the evening. Jurgen has hired some coaches to help out and has that very much under control. Jurgen is hoping to do this at SEHS. He has Cal Young and 32nd & Main as backups. The fee is set at \$75.00 for all 3 days with early registration. There will be information posted on the web site in the very near future. He is also looking to provide a 50% sibling discount. Once the field is committed, Jurgen will proceed with the marketing of the event. Jurgen will be talking with Flo regarding the registration forms. Jurgen and Mac will work out the compensation for the coaches including Jurgen.

b) *Little Metro*-More details at the next board meeting.

c) *8v8*- It has been decided by OYSA to have U-11's play 8-v-8. Budgets and tuition will need to be discussed.

4- New Coaching Structure

Jurgen Ruckaberle – proposed to make Jurgen the U14 – U18 Head Coach.
Phil Larsen – proposed to make Phil the U11 – U13 Head Coach.

Job Responsibilities are proposed by Mac in a passed out handout to the board. This proposal will give us very strong coaches in our key programs within the club. This will also free up Mac to devote more time to the U10 program and developmental program. Andy Everett will take a leadership role in the Dev Program with a lot of oversight and involvement by Mac Wilson.

Mac will also oversee Jurgen and Phil in his role as DOC.

There is general discussion regarding how Jurgen or Phil will handle this role while coaching their own teams.

Mac will follow up with Jurgen and Phil regarding compensation and present his proposal to the board. There will be a vote on this at the next meeting

W-4' for coaches- new paper work needs to be completed for all coaches for this year.

Scholarship Discussion

Evon is predicting that we will need to approve at least one full-ride scholarship and maybe two for the new U14 team.

Steve has made a motion to approve up to 2 full scholarships for the U14 team, providing that they meet the scholarship guidelines. One is needed now and the other is a pre-approval. (See Motions)

Evon is asking whether scholarship players for this past year are covered under scholarship for the upcoming Spring Season for the Youth teams. Evon is estimating that there are 11 scholarships needed for Spring Season. David Divini is recommending that EMFC covers these scholarships.

There is discussion regarding what programs are covered under scholarship. The whole scholarship program will need to be revisited and better defined for the coming year.

Steve has made a motion to renew scholarships for all Youth Fall scholarship players to cover Spring League fees (including Spring Break Camp). (See Motions) The scholarship program will be reviewed at a later board meeting.

Evon is reminding all to be mindful of discussing scholarship players and teams.

Fundraising Update – Evon Smith

Kim Wriggle is hosting a fundraising meeting at the Smith Family Bookstore in the near future. There will be attendants from all teams. Discussion will be around how to fundraise for team events such as travel to tournaments. Kim is looking to get guidelines for team fundraising from the board. This will be an agenda item at next month's board meeting.

There is general discussion regarding guidelines regarding individual team fundraising. Such as; team bank accounts, fundraising for specific events and making sure that the dollars are put towards that event. There is general discussion regarding concerns regarding fundraising fraud, if a player doesn't make the team but has fundraising dollars in his/her account, etc... We will invite Patrick Kouba to the next meeting to discuss this with the board. Patrick was a team fundraiser for FC Willamette.

Website Report – Kurt Engle

The web site report is postponed until next the board meeting .

Old Business

OYSA Annual Meeting Highlights-postponed till February meeting

New Board Member Recruitment

There has not been any response to our e-mail request for new board member interest. Chuck Tilby has indicated that he would be willing to serve on the board. Jay Siedman (U14 parent) and Bill Denehy (U13 Spirit) has also indicated that they would be willing to serve. Evon would like to get a parent of a younger team player to join the board.

By-Laws Amendment

Steve is talking about amending the by-laws to change the way that we would elect new board members. Steve would like to see a process where the board would form a nominating committee to create a slate of potential new board members that would be sent out to all parent members to vote on a new board member. Ballots would be

returned before the Annual Meeting and tallied then announced at the Annual Meeting. Steve has passed out amended by-laws for review.

There is general discussion regarding nomination, voting, and election of new board members.

Steve is suggesting that the bylaws be amended to alter the voting process for the election of new board members.

There is general discussion regarding whether we will expand our board and ask for more involvement over the next year and then add 1 or more board members next year. Discussion results in a decision to not expand the board, but to include interested club members in planning committees and to get them more involved with the administration of the club.

Steve is motioning to amend Sections 4.2.d, 4.3 and 5.7 of the club bylaws regarding voting eligibility and voting process for new board members. (see motions) New by-laws will be posted on the club web site.

Ballots will be mailed to all club members with the slate of candidates by February 1st. Ballots will need to be received no later than February 19th. Announcement of board members will be made at the Annual Meeting.

Annual Meeting Planning- Official date February 25th at South Eugene High School from 6-8pm. Evon is asking for e-mail regarding participation in the event by board members.

Club Gear- postponed till February meeting

New Business

Tournament Guidelines and Policies - postponed till February meeting

Club Administration and Structure - postponed till February meeting

Motions:

- Minutes from last meeting were approved unanimously.
- Motion to grant 2 full scholarships to the U14 team is unanimously approved.
- Motion to grant Fall scholarship players, scholarships for the Spring League (including Spring Camp) is unanimously approved
- Motion to amend the by-laws is unanimously approved.

Action Items:

Mac will present a proposal to the board at the next meeting regarding Head Coaching positions for Jurgen and Phil.

Steve will provide Kurt with an amended copy to post on the web site.

Steve needs an e-mail commitment from each board member as to the length of term he/she is willing to serve.