Weatherford Soccer Association Board Meeting

Date: November 14, 2022 Call to order: 6:35pm

Attendance:

Board Members: Lenny Styer, Cherie Long, Laurelle Hill, Brie Heimlich, Ryan Kuhlmeier, Mariana Tunnell, Jason Callahan, Katie Privette, Steve Barbee *Guests:* Justin Wallce & Amanda Coomer

Do we have a quorum? Yes

October 2022 Minutes: Approved

Financial Review Cherie sent financials out before meeting for review.

• Expenses Discussed

- <u>General Liability Blanket Additional Insured:</u> Purchased for \$52 to allow us to attend community events
- <u>Referee Reimbursements</u>: Approved reimbursement for 8 & 7 weekends ref and remaining can finish out their games in Spring 2023 for reimbursement.
 - 9 total: 1 did 8 weekends, 3 did 7 weekends, 5 did 5 or less weekends. Propose letting other ones compete 8 weeks in spring to get reimbursed
- <u>Ross Pest Control:</u> Approved \$3,100 for treatment of all fields with a 1-year warranty
- <u>Purchase Trophies/Medals for NCSA winners:</u> waiting for final NCSA results for trophies. U4-U8 medals totaled over budget. Laurelle will shop around for better pricing.
- <u>Selling Lawn Mowers</u> battery replacement status tabling until December meeting
- <u>Bleachers</u> sold for \$7,000 Titus County Fair
- <u>City of Weatherford dues:</u> for season field use is \$5/player plus \$15 field/game
- Arlington and Ft Worth referee fees: both have been paid
- <u>Apolis Accounting Software:</u> Subscription increased to \$1,600.
- Oct 29th Fall Festival Recap- due to the weather start time was pushed back to line up with game delay. Vendors were moved to the parking lot.
 - Total of \$714 raised (vendor fees & raffles)
 - Will ask Vendors back for WSA Day in the Spring 2023 season

• Christmas on the Square (Dec 3rd, 10am-4pm)

- Activity Laurelle will put together a game and communicate with board over crew on needs.
- Lenny, Ryan, Mariana will be able to attend, and we will invite coaches to volunteer as well.
- Mariana will put together a sign up for volunteer shifts.

• Summary of End of Season NCSA 11/13/22 Meeting

- Coaches on Roster: NCSA will follow guidelines and not release rosters without a coach officially on the roster who has completed all safety requirements
- Scores: NCSA coaches will enter game score after games for Spring
- Other updates

• No Victory without Honor Code

- Goal is to get our coaches more independent as well as focused on player development and good sportsmanship. Coaches should make visible effort to not run up a score by encouraging more passes and other strategies when their team is up more than 5 points.
 - I will contribute to a positive environment and game experience
 - I will treat all game officials with respect and honor
 - I will show my opponents respect
 - As a coach or assistant coach, I will abide by the NTSSA Code of Ethics for Coaches
 - As a coach or assistant coach, I will not be "Sent off" or "Ejected" from a match for violent conduct or referee abuse
 - As a player I will abide by the USYSA Player's Code of Conduct
 - As a parent or team spectator I will abide by the Parent's Code of Conduct
 - As a parent or team spectator I will not be "Sent off" or "Ejected" from a match for violent conduct or referee abuse
 - As a member of WSA, I understand that any violation of the Weatherford Soccer Association's Standards for Success could lead to additional action from the WSA Board or WSA A&D Committee inclusive of suspension for a coach, player, or team from participating in future games and or tournaments.
 - I hereby pledge that I will honor the WSA Standards for Success in all my activities and involvement with the Weatherford Soccer Association
 - I understand that by doing so I am part of the effort to make the soccer experience enjoyable for everyone and ensure that all games are played in a positive, safe environment
- **Discuss game rescheduling when fields are open:** If fields are open and a game is not played it will be considered a forfeit going forward. This is to avoid having to make more schedule readjustments and additional referee pay.

• Survey of WSA Parents

- Majority of parents that responded to survey were ok with some weeknight games
- U5 Coaches wanting to know if coaches will be allowed on field longer
- Parents of girl players were not opposed to coed teams if we did not have enough girls to make a team

• Spring 2023 Registration

- Team Formation: Registrar will head registration process.
- Uniforms:
 - Add Uniform Size Chart to Website
 - Ryan plans to speak with Stephenville about their process of using uniforms for two seasons
- Coach Meetings
 - Format: U4, U5-U9 and U9+
 - More age specific information
 - Location: Couts Fellowship Hall
 - Dates: Jan 31 and Feb 2

- Updates for Spring Season
 - U4: 1 weekday practice, longer game on Saturday, keep teams small at 6 players
 - U5: Coach can be on field for the entire season but on the side not in the middle of play_____
 - U7-U8: Possible tournament for U7/U8 to help gauge U8 teams playing skills
 - 8-week session of games. Then 1 weekend will be tournament with 2 game elimination so all teams would get 10 games total minimum but could get more.
 - U8: Keep internal scores for this age group to help assist when teams are combined and moved up to U9 in the fall to keep teams evenly skilled.
 - U9+: Some age groups if we have enough teams could play just WSA teams
 - U15 boys Cherie will look at options
 - Adult League (WSA Coed)
 - Survey on social media and Website to gauge interest
 - Things to consider: referees, team size, city fees
 - Would be in the off season and not overlap WSA season
- Tentative Ft Worth U9+ spring season dates are 2/18/23-4/29/23

• Tournaments –

- TOC (12/2-12/4) U9 Weatherford Burn and U10 Tornados attending
- Tournament forms that need WSA signature: Coach must get all signatures before emailing form to <u>WeatherfordSoccer@gmail.com</u> to obtain WSA signature. We will then email the coach back the signed form for them to load for the tournament. This ensures forms are properly filled out before WSA signs them. Having an electronic form on file also helps when coaches need assistance on tournament requirements.

• Food Trucks

- Donations: Mandy has reached out to all food trucks on mailing address for donation checks
- Ice Cream at Concessions- we cannot run a deep freeze inside the concession stand so this is not a viable option at the time
- Fry Daddy possible purchase to discuss in Dec meeting to add fries to menu
- Mandy will start working on Spring schedule
- **Springtown Territory** –WSA flyers have been sent to the superintendent and they are waiting for Springtown SA to approve before accepting

• Board Member Updates

- Marissa Galaviz officially stepped down from the Board
- Justin Wallace and Amanda Coomer would like to join the board and have started their 30-day probation period

• Important Dates

• Next Board Meeting: December 12th

Meeting adjourned: 8:30 pm