

Weatherford Soccer Association
Board Meeting

Date: August 8, 2022
Call to order: 6:40pm

Attendance:

Board Members: Lenny Styer, Laurelle Hill, Cherie Long, Amber Tomlin, Brie Heimlich, Ricky Hill, Katherine Privette, Steve Barbee, Mariana Tunnell, Tracy Townsel, Jason Callahan, Marissa Galaviz (on zoom)

Guests: Justin Wallace, Lisa Palama

Do we have a quorum? Yes

Financial Review Cherie sent financials out before meeting for review. Cherie gave financial update and discussed financials and expense that came up in the off season: We ordered practice balls, 4x6 goals (new U5 field), 6.5x18.5 goals (2nd U9 field).

Additional Expenses Discussed:

- New AC in concession stand to replace old unit. Lowes has units around \$650. Laurelle will get us registered as a 501c3 to be able to purchase tax free. Motion passed by board to purchase a new unit.
- Tractor: battery light is still on and may need a mechanic to look at it. Amber husband, Steve and Lenny will look at it first to see if they can fix it.
- Insulation above concession stands: To better help with climate control, we discussed insulating the attic above the concession stand and how it will increase the longevity of our appliances, ac unit and other items stored there. \$1464 for the insulation and the blower and will need to purchase plywood. Motion passed by board to insulate.
- Order New U9 Goals: \$1340/each. With more teams playing and practicing at Cartwright we need additional fields and would like to turn 9.5 field into a permanent field. Motion passed by the board to purchase goals.
- Additional Items for Coaches: Amber brought up that she has had some parents expressed concerns about purchasing goalie equipment when their player is transitioning to a 7v7 team and for some it is an added financial burden. The board has extra goalie gloves at the concession stands- coaches can check out and use for their team if needed. At the Spring Coach's meeting we will ask U9 teams and teams with new goalie if they need a pair for the season.
- Irrigation: The city has been watering the fields nightly from the lake. We need to discuss further the possibility of digging a well as our complex size increases. The city has replaced 43 sprinkler heads so far and has asked that we fill in any crack and holes we see. The city plans on leveling field 8.5. We may need to review field layout not only based on our new Little Roo program but also on the availability of water.
- Water Treatment System: to help with the longevity of our toilets, sinks and other items we clean with water (paint sprayers, kitchen) it was discussed that we get a 3-part water treatment system estimated cost is around \$700. Would also cut down on purchasing disposable water bottles. Motion passed by board to purchase the water system.

Fall Coach Meeting Review: Great feedback from the new 2 meeting format. U4-U8 coaches have more questions so it helps having a separate meeting for them. Everyone liked the building and would like to utilize it again. Zoom option was used and we would like to offer that again in the spring. Lenny suggested using the same building for the AGM. Steeve said he could reserve the Cousts Gym for free if we have enough advance notice. Discussed Amber offering a Coach clinic after the meeting next season.

Opening Ceremonies: August 27th @ 8am (we have asked teams to arrive at 7:45am)

- Need volunteers to help organize: Board Members
- Cherie has someone to sing the national anthem
- Mariana has a speaker and microphone that we can use
- Lenny will create detailed instructions on the morning's timeline and email for coaches
- Brie will advertise on facebook
- Brie asking VBA Pastor to give opening prayer

NCSA pre-season meeting: August 14th (Granbury will be hosting)

- NCSA event needs to be created to add WSA rosters to
- Discuss having all referees across all associations have the same understanding of rules/calls
- Discuss score inputs more timely
- Coaches must be on rosters
- Board members can check on refs with a thumbs up and they can return it with a thumbs up or down if they need assistance

Registration: We have 676 players and 74 teams this fall.

- Vipers, 1 U4 team and 1 U8 team still need coaches
- First order of uniforms should be arriving on Wednesday Aug 10
- Brie discussed closing registration a week earlier than normal so that waitlist players can be added before team formation. We had 105 waitlist players, most were added in the first two weeks of the waitlist being opened. It would help the team formation process go much smoother if we had those players before teams were formed. A lot of people wait until the last minute to register via waitlist so this would just help our team formations and uniforms.

Victory Baptist Soccer: will be playing on the large field again this season. Games will happen during the week. 8/23, 8/30, 9/12, 9/15, 9/20, 9/27, 10/6, 10/10, 10/11, 10/13, 10/18. VBA will have players and families volunteer at our August 20th field prep day to help get fields ready. Board approved VBA games at WSA field.

Important Dates:

- Schedule Games: Blackout dates due from coached by 8/12, would like to have ref breaks in between game times
- Academy Shopping Weekend: 20% discount Aug 12-14. Brie will send an email out
- Pictures: September 10 & 17- bad weather day September 24 if we have to cancel one of the two dates. We would like to have referee and board member pictures taken.
- Season starts on August 27 and ends November 12. No games Labor Day weekend for WSA.
- 2nd Field prep day is Aug 20th 8am-12pm.

Changing field number layout at the soccer complex: to accommodate the new fields and remove the .5 from the field numbering system. Laurelle will have updated goal signs at field day. Field renumbering approved by board

Flagpole: discussed having a flagpole at the soccer fields with US, TX and WSA flag. Amber knows of a flag company that has good prices and quality flags. Board approved the costs for adding a flagpole and purchasing flags

Board Member Updates:

- Scott Elbers stepped down from board due to schedule
- Lisa Palama would like to join board and will enter the 30-day probationary period before she can officially be voted on at the next board meeting

Meeting adjourned: 7:58pm