

Redbirds Soccer Association Board

Meeting Minutes

I. Meeting Details

In Person Meeting held March 29th, 2026

II. Attendees:

Stephanie Rutten-Ramos, Chris Huether, Jake Capistrant, Nate Hitch, Jason Rauk, Kate Birrenkott, Rachel Primus, Chris Schneider, Casey Olson

III. Absences: Jessica (Jess) Schuette

IV. Call to Order

Chris H. called the meeting to order

V. Reports

Secretary's Report- Rachel Submitted. Adjustment to meeting called to order by Nate not Stephanie.

Approved: Jake made motion to approve, Jason made second, all in favor, approved

Treasurer's Report- Jason distributed paper report. Approved: Nate made motion to approve, Stephanie made second, all in favor, approved.

VI. Old Business

a.) U9-U10 Updates/Communication:

1. Currently up and running, there was a slight mix up with practice, but it is all worked out.
2. Communication about league and tournaments and what they need to do has been shared.
3. Next communication- who is practicing when and when they can get outside.

b.) U11-U18 Updates:

1. MN Academy league rescheduling timeframe is almost over
2. MYSA rescheduling- Managers need to take ownership to schedule the season they want.
3. Jake will send out communication to managers.
4. Neutral site opens: St. Bens, Pine Cone Park, Cold Spring, possibly Albany.
5. Girls U17 still does not have appointed summer coach. Kale is coaching through May.

c.) Tournaments:

1. Rotary Cup Tournament Registration has not opened yet. Teams waiting to be registered.
2. MN State Cup is not open either- three teams awaiting registration.
3. U12 East & West only have one tournament as of now, awaiting selection from U17 girls.

d.) Annual Safety Credentials- reviewed a few that were missing

- e.) Coach Coordinator:
Position posting will be sent out to all association contacts.
- f.) Google Workspace:
 - 1. We need to have the authentication
 - 2. What has been created is the following emails
opportunity@alexandriasoccer.org
tournaments@alexandriasoccer.org
treasurer@alexandriasoccer.org
info@alexandriasoccer.org
admin@alexandriasoccer.org
 - 3. The info email will be posted on website
 - 4. Chris H. to be added as contact along with Tara on admin
 - 5. aasaredbirds@gmail.com email will flow to admin email for next 9 months plus before removing completing.
- g.) Uniforms:
 - 1. No current issues noted
 - 2. Rachel will connect with Janelle for shirts for soccer starts. Stephanie will research where to get socks and send info to Rachel.
 - 3. Current Coach shirts- Rachel will make a list of sizing and offer a first come first serve.
- h.) Tom Tardiff proposal- they are still looking at date options
- i.) Soccer Starts:
 - 1. Shirts and socks will be ordered again. Deadline for registration in order to get a shirt. Rachel will check into this.
 - 2. The season will run the first week in June for 5 wks.
 - 3. Costs will remain unchanged from last year.
- j.) Play Metrics:
 - 1. MYSA is shifting to Play Metrics in August with new season- we need to consider if this is a change that would align with us.
 - 2. There would be an increase of costs compared to what we currently pay.
 - 3. Jason will compile a cost analysis.

V. New Business:

- k.) Coaching:
 - 1. There are two teams still needing summer coaches- girls U17 and Boys U12
 - 2. Also need a Soccer starts Coordinator- a possible candidate was discussed Jason provided Nate contact info and Nate will reach out.
- l.) Debit Card vs Credit Card:
 - 1. A motion was made by Stephanie to obtain a credit card instead of using a debit for security of the clubs' funds. Kate made second, all in favor, approved.
- m.) Refund Request: player injury, refund was reviewed and awarded based on policy.
- n.) Late registration request: Parent reached out wanting to sign up a player late- as the teams have already been rostered and are full an offer of a practice only option will be presented.
- o.) Culture: The discussion of focusing and building our culture was had. This would align with next season, Stephanie volunteered to facilitate.

- p.) Virtual meetings will take place in June & July opposed to previous years when the board did not meet during these two months.
- q.) Opportunities:
 1. Jason presented a couple opportunities to consider.
 2. One the Association purchasing nets for the other elementary schools that do not currently have.
 3. There is a vendor fair in May/June that may offer some discounted costs
 4. Jason will put together more information

VIII. Committees: none to report

IX. Next Meeting- Sunday April 19th, 2026, 6:30pm- 8:30pm NorthStar Chapel

Meeting Adjourned 8:37pm