



SASA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date:

February 8th, 2021

Members and Guests in Attendance:

Chuck Eguez – Director – Soccer Operations (Non-Voting)	Yes
Drew Lenhardt – Director of Coaching (Non-Voting)	Yes
Alexis Richie – Director of Recreational League and Youth Academy (Non-Voting)	No
Mike Slater – Club Administrator (Non-Voting)	Yes – Via Zoom
Jack Matthews – President	Yes
Peter Christofilakos – Vice President	Yes
Clint Paul – Member – Treasurer	Yes
Heidi Daly – Member – Secretary	Yes
Todd DeJaynes – Member	No
CJ Lowder – Member	Yes
Ryan Beveridge – Member	Yes

Jack: Call to order 6:38 PM

Minutes approved by Jack and unanimously approved by all in attendance

Members Open Discussion - None

Treasurer (Clint):

- Cash position is relatively good. \$215k between checking and money market
 - o Down about \$30k from last year likely due to Covid
- SASA received the SBA loan for \$39,862
 - o Currently listed as a liability, but it will likely be forgiven
 - o With this loan our budget is in the black

President (Jack):

- Committee Discussion
 - o We need a committee for fundraising and facilities
 - Offering a discount on membership dues for those interested
 - Looking at having an event on April 10th, 2021 at Soccer World
 - Also need to have a couple of small events throughout the year
 - Block Party at SASA
 - Golf Outing
 - o Facilities Committee also needed
 - Board members will be on the committee
 - Also asking additional members that are interested with a few specifically in mind
 - Many personnel changes at UIS that may impact SASA’s facilities decisions
- We no longer have an affiliation with Gallagher.
 - o Our affiliation was with St. Louis FC
 - o When our affiliation with St. Louis FC any connection we had with Gallagher ended

Administrator (Mike):

- There are 12 players that have not made any payments yet this year
- The MLK Tournament brought in 18 teams, 16 paid teams
 - o Although we are not able to have our regular tournaments, this indoor tournament brought in around \$4,000 in revenue
- We have 11 teams playing SLYSA and 15 teams playing CIYSL
 - o Payment of \$18,000 to SLYSA due March 12, 2021
- Insurance coverages for the club have been reviewed
 - o All of our necessary insurances give us good coverage
- Discussed SASA Scholarship for family of Denny Maskel
- 2005 Girls Team is registered for the State Cup and need to be carded
- Mike asked for suggestions for the Newsletter, please let us know!

Director – Soccer Operations (Chuck)

- Went over the MLK tournament – Due to its success SASA is having President’s Day Tourney
 - o High School Girls – 6 Teams
- SASA Tournaments have been approved by IYSA
 - o March 20 -21 – Elite
 - o Chuck is calling other teams and offering discounts
 - o Trying to get teams to sign up
 - Offering full refund if canceled due to COVID
- Chuck ordered gym equipment for players gym at SASA
 - o \$1400 worth of equipment bought with 70,000 points from Soccer.com
- SASA is offering a 5v5 league in March at Soccer World on Monday nights in place of Futsal
 - o \$25 if you did Monday night indoor training
 - o \$50 if you did not do Monday night indoor training
- CIYSL is hoping to have 120 teams
 - o 2 club group plays
 - April 11th and May 9th

Director of Coaching (Drew):

- 33-35 kids came out for the supplemental tryouts
 - o They will be invited to come to a team practice and see if it is a good team fit
- Rec league is having significant impact on our club
 - o It is bringing in revenue
 - o It is also bringing in kids from the surrounding towns that may be interested in competitive as well
- High school dues are being decreased to retain the high school players
 - o Decreased to \$125 per players, looking at a 3-year uniform kit
 - o SASA will offset that cost by raising the rec fees by \$5 per player (\$50-\$75 per team)
 - That price is still \$10 lower than the YMCA non-member cost
- There will also be a summer rec league offered
- The 5v5 league will be 4 and a goalie going the width of the field (2 fields going at one time)
- Drew had applied for the CIU girls’ team to be entered into the Girls’ Academy
 - o They were not accepted
 - o Drew has asked for more details so that we can improve our chances going forward
- Drew is also applying to ECNL (Elite Clubs National League) and MLS Next
 - o These affiliations allow for player development and access to elite competition for SASA players to be seen in.

- SASA is wanting to reach out to past players that have gone on to play soccer professionally for them to write a letter to these organizations letting them know how SASA impacted their development

Director of Rec League and Youth Academy (Alexis): Presented by Drew since Alexis was absent

- There are 69 teams registered for 2nd Session of indoor. Most in history of Soccer World.
 - o 2nd Session will run February 2 – March 28, 2021
- SASA has met with Matt Eck from the YMCA regarding the soccer programs
- 2nd Indoor Session will be held and registration will start as soon as possible

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- Spring season men's league may be taken over by SASA for scheduling

Meeting Adjourned by Jack at 8:42 PM.

Next Meeting scheduled for March 8, 2021.