



EYSA – Meeting of the Board of Directors

7pm September 10, 2024

Exeter Recreation

Welcome

The September 10, 2024, EYSA board of directors (the Board) meeting was called to order by to order at 7:10pm. There was a quorum with Matteo Taormina, Jenn Young, Eric Kelly, Jon Fagan, Jason Faria, Cathy Golden, Patrick Garrity, Jessica Costa, Ben Bailey, Geoff Meadville, Scott Craig and Shane Bradt present.

Absent with regrets were Michael Hill, Porter Hayes, Luke Martel, Christie Farris and David Richards.

Minutes

The minutes from the meeting held on June 11, 2024, having already been circulated, **were** Motion by Patrick Garrity, seconded by Jon Fagan.

Executive Session

Jessica Costa made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss advice of the Board's legal counsel, seconded by Eric Kelly. The Board voted unanimously to enter Executive Session at 7:13pm. Patrick Garrity made a motion to exit Executive Session at 7:18pm, seconded by Jessica Costa. The Board voted to unanimously exit Executive Session at 7:33pm.

Fall Season and NNESL/NHSL Update

Jen Sherman did an amazing job of pulling everything together in Fall. Although Ed Royer was amazingly responsive, the NHSL ramp-up posed some difficulty. Jen did amazing work and navigated everything without impacting FCX coaches.

NNESL Board seats on NHSL were taken without process. Maria was not offered the seat despite being acting VP. There will be follow up, but Ed Royer has been very responsive to us as a club. Maria has asked for a final wrap-up meeting for NNESL to see how transition went. Patrick asked if we could check with Ed Royer if we can look at fee structure when the teams are working together to make games happen without any disruption to game location and referee location assignment. We can't fill out the form without getting billed.

Season got off and running well. Coaches have been stepping up to help with player and coach conflicts. Board members have been jumping in to help. A few small matters were managed. Ben brought up that U9 parents came to the realization late that they had aged out of the Exeter Rec program. The Board will look at roster freezes in the future and how to manage late adds better.

We will be telling coaches that no game changes are allowed after Tuesday.

Capital Cup

Coaches still haven't reached out to families about the Capital Cup Tournament. Tom, the tournament director has said that we will have Championship-level competition for our teams so our players can have a good experience.

Laura will let the Executive Board and the Tournament Committee who the stragglers are so the committee can find places for players to play. Jon suggested a Google Sheet for Jamboree. Patrick will create a Google Sheet for Capital Cup.



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Board Matters

Geoff Meadville submitted his resignation on August 19, 2024. Porter Hayes submitted his resignation on September 10, 2024. Jennifer Young made a motion to accept their resignations, seconded by Jessica Costa. **The resignations were accepted unanimously with thanks to Geoff and Porter for their service to the club.**

Matteo will take the High School Coordinator position vacated by Geoff. Getting information to 8th grade players is important. We should consider having EHS coaches come to games at the end of Fall, Spring and meet at CMS to get information about joining the EHS programs.

During the January 16, 2024, Annual Meeting, Jennifer Young's name was accidentally not put forward although she intended to continue on the Board and the Board intended to put her forward for reelection. She has been serving in her capacity as a Board Member and Treasurer since then. Jennifer Young was nominated by the Maria Proulx, President and confirmed by a majority vote of the Board.

Evaluations Committee

Ben asked us to think about evaluations and placements. The Board will consider options supplementing Seacoast evaluations.

Fields

The fields are working out. We are using all of the available fields. Patrick is watching Stevens Park for conflicts, but most are working out. Goals at Exeter Rec need to go back in the boxes, or the robot mowers get stuck. Patrick left Friday's out for reschedules.

Equipment

WeGotSoccer is behind on getting orders out. White uniforms haven't arrived for a group of families.

Financials

Jen reported that the cash balance is higher than last year: \$131,119 up about \$3,000 from last year.

Jenn set up the scholarship donation button again on registration. Total collected was \$1,375. Jenn suggested sending thank you cards to donors. Jenn calculated that we've provided \$7,785. Last year was about \$8,800 in scholarships.

Girls Youth Night

155 out of 170 registered players were at Youth Night. Big success. Players had a blast.

Adjournment

Matteo made a motion to adjourn at 8:51pm, seconded by Ben. The meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting:

Board Meeting – 7pm, October 8, 2024, at Exeter Recreation Department.