

## **GETSO Meeting Minutes February 12, 2008**

Call to order at 7:13

Attendance: Tony Saguto, Deb Morrison, Steve Light, Keith Gibson, Tom Evans, Tim Venzon, Deanna Salo, Mike Hennessey, Steve Curtis, Jeff Dickson, Leo Lanzillo, Chris Evans, Bill Loftus, Nick Howard, Ruben Stivan

**Minutes:** December and January minutes available but not reviewed.

CERT provided an over view of their emergency response services for Milton Township and provided first aid kits to the teams.

### **FuturePros:**

- Ruben reviewed winter training and solicited input from coaches about needed changes. Consensus is that all is going well. Some issues with room availability, but we're doing better than years past. Participation has been high at practices.
- Tryouts ran smoothly from a FuturePros perspective. Trainers have notified Ruben of their team placement and this will be communicated with families.
- Administratively we dropped the ball. We didn't have registration sheets for families to complete at the tryouts nor information about fee structures or next steps. We need to coordinate this better next year.
- Unless notified and confirmed by 2/15, all team practice times will remain the same in the spring. Process for changes is a message to Ruben to check trainer availability and to Tony for field availability.

### **Trainer Coach**

- This topic again came up for discussion. What is the plan for 2008? There was a lot of talk and no action.
- Leo Lanzillo asked how/who will make a decision? Jeff Dickson will send a message to all coaches asking them to decide on the go forward decision making process.
  - GETSO officers vote based upon coach input.
  - Coach/board members vote.
  - GETSO provides recommendation to PD and PD makes a decision.
- There was a general discussion about the additional fees required for trainer coach. Estimated that it would cost an additional \$400/yr.
- General discussion on how much input should be solicited from parents on the matter and how we could use a survey to get their general input but not open the decision making process to the general public.
- A decision for the 2008/09 season will be reached in March.
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## **Tryouts**

- We reviewed the fact that tryouts can start Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- We will formally request of the NISL that we be allowed to conduct tryouts on Saturday, May 31.
- We will publish that all age groups will have tryouts on June 1, with make ups held during the week.
- Tryout committee - if anyone is interested in being part of the tryout committee, notify Jeff Dickson. The committee will review our current process with Future Pros and committee members and determine if any changes need to be made for the new season.

## **Officer Reports:**

### **Co-chair**

- Deanna Salo volunteered to be our 2008 Fall Classic Tournament Director
  - If interested in serving on the tournament committee, let Deanna know.
- Reviewed important dates for the Spring season.

### **Treasurer**

- Tournament team allotment was handed out. Please get all invoices into PD by April 18<sup>th</sup>.
- U8 & U9 teams received \$75 per player. U10 and above receive \$90. The difference represents the fact that there is a different fee structure for the younger kids and the program is already underwriting some of their program fees.
- The PD is changing fiscal year end from April to December. A meeting was held with PD staff, GETSO Treasurer and Vice-chair to review 2008 budget.
- Current 2008 budget being reviewed by officers after general meeting and will be finalized for 2008/09 season.

### **Co-Rec**

- NISL is looking to split into three regions (N/C/S) from the current two (N/S). If anyone has comments, please provide them to NISL.
- Team size and field size for 2008/09 have been finalized. Please review NISL website if there are any questions.
- All teams have been registered for the spring season.

### **Girls**

- All teams have been registered for Spring season.
- Review IWSL website for team and field size for 2008/09. Should follow direction of NISL.
- There might be a U12 transition year where teams can decide if they want to play 11v11 or 9v9.
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## **Fields**

- Locker box quotes provided to PD for purchase consideration.
- Draft plan and budget for a kicking board provided to PD for capital spending consideration.
- Please notify Tony if you have questions about game time for Sunday. Please make changes to team site with NISL or IWSL so that everything is finalized now to avoid the need to make changes in the Spring Scheduling meetings.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Coach/Trainer Evaluation**

- The committee is working on documenting a formal process to include in the coaches hand book.
- Working on a formal process on how we address concerns raised by parents.
- Need to decide on whether parental feedback is anonymous or if we can share feedback with coaches.

## **Old Business**

- New Logo / Club name.
  - Tom Evans presented a new logo for the club and recommended a club name change from Lakers to Glen Ellyn FC. A position paper was presented to send to the PD staff and PD commissioners.
  - There was full support of the new logo and name change.
    - Steve Curtis made a motion to accept the proposal. Tony Saguto made the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- Uniform update.
  - Tom Evans and Nick Howard indicated that we've signed a three year contract to be our uniform supplier. Samples were passed around. Soccer 2000 will continue to be our distribution arm.
  - Our club will be their first club in the Midwest under contract.
  - Projected price for 2008-09 will be \$105. This will include two jerseys, one pair shorts and two pairs of socks. Under Armor will have a full line of supporting equipment (bags, shin guards) and clothing (warm ups, tights, under shirts) available for sale.
  - We discussed adding the price of uniforms to the general fee, but we didn't want to pay the 20% PD uplift so uniforms will remain a separate line item charge.
- Under Armor expressed an interest in being a tournament sponsor for the 2008 Fall Classic. They provided a sample contract that will be reviewed by all the PD and board officers.

## **New Business**

- Spring marketing campaign. Tom Evans presented a projected budget for a spring marketing campaign to promote tryouts and out name change.
- Tom requested that the PD arrange to advertise on the Glen Ellyn central board at Main Street and Crescent.
  
- Bill Loftus raised concerns regarding placement of soccer fields in a flood plain and the fact that they will be unusable for most of our season (fall / spring) if this is the case. Bill agreed to meet with the PD staff and review the current plans and provide feedback on behalf of the organization.

Move to Adjourn 9:30 – Tony Saguto, Second - Steve Curtis.