

Magic City Soccer
Board of Directors
July 7, 2010

I. Call to order

Mike Woodring called to order the regular meeting of the Magic City Soccer Board at 7:35 pm on July 7, 2010 at the Magic City Soccer Office. The following people were present Shelley Prosinski, Dennis Pyburn, Kevin Luse, Todd Preston (by teleconference), Christine Klepps, Casey Marlenee, Susan Maier, Barry Scott, Larry Van Atta, Robert Roe, Mark Stevenson, Terry Stapleton, Danielle Huggins, Paolo Gerbasi & Mike Mayott. Guests present were Don Trentham, Beth Morris, Dianna Nuernberger, Kristy Catlin, Steve Marts, Karen Marts, Cathy Muessig, Jill Quade, Stacy D'Ambrosia, Scott D'Ambrosia, Ian Comstock, Susan Gregory, Dan McNally, and Wojciech Krakowiak.

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes from the last meeting were approved as written on a motion by Larry Van Atta seconded by Susan Maier.

III. Mike Woodring- President

Mike read a letter he received yesterday to the Board from Paul Roper (see attached). This letter was signed by Paul and dated 7-6-2010. Board members had the opportunity to read this letter prior to the meeting giving them time to digest the content. Todd Preston spoke to Paul's character and the fact that his recent actions have been "out-of-character". Paul asked the board to receive Paul's letter "Statement Seeking Resolution" as an olive branch. **Todd made a motion for the board to accept his statement of apology and allow him to be eligible to coach next year on a probationary period. This motion was seconded by Susan Maier and opened for discussion.** The motion, as well as the events leading up to the motion, were discussed at by the board with input from the visitors present. Following the discussion, the above motion was read again and a vote was held. **The motion passed.**

Terry Stapleton made a motion, which was seconded by Casey Marlenee to define the probation period and conditions before the August board meeting. The motion passed.

The board will act on the following as follow up the above votes:

1) Define Paul's probation period & conditions before the August board meeting.

(2) Review and update the club bylaws to address any deficiencies relating to disciplinary and grievance procedures, hearings, and appeals to ensure that our club bylaws are in line with MYSA, USYSA, and USSF requirements.

IV. Dennis Pyburn- Bylaws

Dennis presented the new, revised bylaws and asked if there were any questions or corrections. Christine Klepps stated that she would like to see the board adopt a "Mission Statement" to help guide the direction of the club. Mike asked Christine and Terry Stapleton to spearhead this project. They agreed. Mike suggested that the board move forward on accepting these bylaws and look into adding a section on grievance resolution in the near future. **Larry moved to accept the new bylaws, Christine seconded the motion. The motion passed.**

Dennis announced that the Annual general meeting of MYSA will be held in Helena on August 7-8, 2010. The club will need to send at least 2 people.

Danielle announced that she is resigning as the Micro Director. She agreed to help train a new Micro Director. Terry Stapleton announced that she will continue on as the Magic City Classic Tournament Director but would like to step down as the Secretary.

V. Ian Comstock-Parent Guest

Ian ask the board about fundraising options for teams/players and stated that he thinks the expense prohibits many kids from paying with the club who otherwise might. There discussion about various forms of Club Sponsorships. Ian will continue to investigate options and report back to the board.

VI. Shelley Prosinski- Registrar

- Shelley Cornell, registrar candidate, has been training in the office on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Mike Mayott motioned that the board approve the hiring of Shelly Cornell to replace Shelley Prosinski as the new registrar. Danielle seconded the motion. The motion passed.

VII. Kevin Luse- Director of Coaching

-Magic City Camp 26-30 July.

-U11-U13 try-outs dates and times have been posted on the website:

Sunday, August 22
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.: U11 & U12 Boys & Girls
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.: U13 & U14 Boys
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.: U13 & U14 Girls

Monday, August 23
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.: U11 Boys & Girls
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.: U13 Boys & Girls

Tuesday, August 24
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.: U12 Boys & Girls
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.: U14 Boys & Girls

- Kevin has been exploring options for a fall soccer league including joining Wyoming in their fall league. Joining Wyoming's league presented many challenges. Ian Comstock asked what the difficulties were with joining the Wyoming fall league. Kevin said there were some problems with getting travel papers and also the ideas that at the Snickers Cup 3 games a day are supported. Mike Mayott said he would like to see something organized as these players move onto the fall. Kevin suggested the following options as an alternative:

- *Take teams to the Teton tournament which takes place in late September.
- *Play friendly games in Bozeman on September 9th and pick a few weekends to host friendly games with other Montana clubs who have expressed an interest in a fall league.

-Fall academy will run the 9/13-10/20. Dan McNally asked if the fall academy should be mandatory. There was some discussion and the board decided that encouraging it is helpful but it may not be a good idea to make it mandatory.

-Try-out's for the U15-U18 players will be held November 6&7, 2010.

-Kevin said that he has made the decision to combine the U15 & U16 players for next year's team formation. Our club has been awarded 2 premier spots at the U16 boys level and although it is not certain our club will likely earn 2 at the U16 girls level as well. Kevin will construct a statement to go on the website addressing this change in team formation.

VIII. Mike Mayott- Graduate Studies Project

Mike explained to the board that as part of his graduate studies he is trying to develop a rating instrument that is less subjective than what is currently used. Mike would like to test this tool with the U13 boys team at fall try-out's. His goal

is to compare the results of his tool against what is currently used. Mike would use this system only for his own use and it would not effect team selection. The team selection would be made using the current evaluation tool and who be conducted by others.

Mike Woodring adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:40pm.

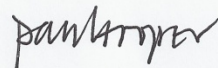
The next meeting is set for Wednesday, August 4, 2010 at 7:00pm.

Minutes submitted by: Terry Stapleton

Statement Seeking Resolution

1. I am sorry for my choice of words and actions towards Evan Quarles.
2. I overreacted to his dangerous foul.
3. My behavior was not acceptable for a youth soccer coach.
4. To the best of my ability, I will not repeat such behavior in the future.
5. I request the board overturn my suspension from coaching, grant an appropriate probation period, and make me eligible to coach again next season.
6. I encourage the board to develop written procedures to better manage future similar issues involving coaches and parents.

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Roper". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

Paul Roper
July 6, 2010