

BIFC Board Meeting Minutes
August 14th, 2023, 8:00 pm
Via Zoom

Board Members in attendance: Peter Murchie, Jeff Shepard, Brett Deits, Liming McMillan, Ryan Daughtery, Amii Thompson, Phil Avison, Elizabeth Patterson, Madi Williamson

Ian, Jim and Mark were prepping for Island Cup and not able to attend.

Guest: Dane Fenwick

Meeting called to order at 8:07

President's Report:

A lot of exciting things are happening with the club-Island Cup, 40th Anniversary, new BIFC/BISD partnership for phase 1 of a turf field being built-THANK YOU to Dave Johnson and family, and BIFC Leadership, Peter, Brett & Garza for their work. Peter is hoping to host an in-person meeting for our September board meeting. Details to follow. We will also be preparing for our General Membership meeting in November.

Vice President's Report:

Jeff reported that Ian noted that the girls trip to BC was a great time and a fabulous experience for our players! Also, Jeff stated that it is good to remember that COVID is still here and there is an uptick of cases on Bainbridge Island and in Kitsap County.

Secretary Report:

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously approved the special July Board minutes. There were not minutes taken for the regular July meeting due to not having a quorum.

Special Report: Year Round Fields Coalition:

Dane Fenwick from BISD attended the meeting to share an update about the new turf field being built between Sakai and WMS. Dane received approval from the BISD Board & City of Bainbridge Island. Dane is working with contractors to start work immediately with a goal of a finished product 8-9 weeks from today. A discussion was had about messaging to the community from BIFC and planning for phase 2 of the project.

Sponsorship Report:

We had a local children's dentistry office that reached out to us in order to be a sponsor. Thank you!

Financial Update:

The board reviewed the July financial report ahead of this meeting and Liming provided a quick review. Peter pointed out that a big change is that the donation is now listed as both revenue

and expense, so it definitely looks different than last month. Brett mentioned that Ryan set up a meeting with Kitsap Credit Union. We also will be opening a brokerage account in the near future, and and not yet sure of which banking institution we will utilize for this purpose.

Operations Update:

Madi reported that recc numbers are down, but she mentioned that they are sending out reminder emails and working with Parks & Recc. Madi mentioned that it will be helpful to have more fields for usage. Phil highlighted that we do have more players in select and DA, so it is not surprising to have some less, but we are down more than anticipated.

Technical Director Report (Ian via email)

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We have completed our summer programs in conjunction with Parks & Recc

July

Mini Kicker - 29 compared to 27 in 2022

World Cup Camp - 91 compared to 88 in 2022

August

Min Kickers - 20 compared to 28 in 2022

World Cup Camp - 95 compared to 89 in 2022

Overall this gives us 236 compared to 232 in 2022, so we should be on course to meet budget in this area.

Camps went positively again this year - we integrated a number of new staff members who will hopefully help us in future years. Mark did an excellent job in support of this program and ensure the smooth running of this annual program.

BIFC Summer Camps - Participation Numbers

Defenders Camp; Goalies - 26 compared to 22 in 2022

SAQ Camp - no longer running, compared to 12 in 2022

Everton Camp - 120 compared to 0 in 2022 as a new program for us

Schools Out 4v4 - 36 compared to 48 in 2022

Summers End is still to happen.

With the addition of the Everton program we should be 100 participants ahead of our 2022 participation numbers. We should see an increase of around 80% in participation in this area. The increase in revenue will not be quite as significant as the Everton program is obviously run by them and we get a small percentage of income from that program.

Participation Numbers - Competitive Soccer Programs

Development Academy 77 compared to 64 in 2022

Select Soccer 328 compared to 313 in 2022

Winter DA 136 compared to 98 in 2022

Spring Select Soccer 78 compared to 82 in 2022

This gives a total of 619 registrations for programs in 2023 compared to 557 in 2022 which equates to an 11% increase in competitive participants.

Summer Tournament Season

Starfire Spring Classic - 14 teams participated, one team tournament winner

Skagit Firecracker - 9 teams participated, 4 team tournament winners

Crossfire Cup - 30 teams participated, 9 team tournament winners

Peter asked if there were any additional issues that we need to discuss today or put forward for possible topics in September. Seeing none, a motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:05.