

**SnVYSA Board of Directors Meeting  
May 14, 2007  
Fall City Fire Station**

Meeting called to order at 7:41 pm by Bud Raisio.

BOD Members Present: Bud Raisio, President; Randy Proctor, VP of Administration; Mike Dunkle, VP of Competition; Charlie Gifford, VP of Development; Lisa Pillo, Treasurer; Ed Eldredge, District II Representative; Jennifer Berens (for Bart Maxcy), Carnation Representative; Santa Kriebel, Cascade FC Administrator; Roxanne Heller, Duvall Representative; Char Yotz, Fall City Representative; JoAnne Bastian, Snoqualmie Representative

BOD Members Absent: Bart Maxcy, Carnation Representative; Keely Weidenbach, North Bend Representative

Guest: Doug McClintic, Secretary candidate

BOD Positions Vacant: Registrar

**Approval of Minutes:**

The Minutes of the April 9, 2007 were reviewed. Mike Dunkle made a motion to approve April meeting minutes as amended. Motion second by Randy Proctor. Minutes were approved as amended.

**Old Business:**

Motion previously made by Roxanne Heller to grant \$20,000 in leverage money to expedite field development with City of North Bend was approved.

**New Business:**

There was a motion by Roxanne Heller to nominate Doug McClintic as Secretary. Seconded by Charlie Gifford and approved by all.

**Officer Reports:**

**Mike Dunkle -- VP of Competition**

- Webmaster: Mike will provide registrar access to website. Question from Charlie Gifford concerning the referee database and the need to bump referee grade by a year.
- VP Competition: David Debrecht filed an appeal of the decision of the ADP Board in regard to his grievance filed against Santa Kriebel in March. The WSYSA Appeals Committee upheld the decision of the ADP Board and denied the appeal. Mr. Debrecht has the right to appeal to USSF.

The recent changes to the Cascade FC program (paid coaches, paid administrator and others) has raised some issues about possible conflicts between the current Bylaws and the Coaching Contract signed by the Cascade FC coaches. Over the course of the summer and fall we will be working to more strictly define some areas (such as those involving grievances) and to bring the Bylaws current with the coaching contract. The BOD was informed that an Association has the right to have rules and procedures in place that are more stringent than those of WSYSA and higher authorities. An Association does not, however, have the right to be less stringent. Mike recommends beginning the process with the following actions:

1. Adopt procedure to have the Cascade FC Administrator appointed by BOD (rather than by the Cascade FC coaches as has been past practice) with rights to hire and fire coaches.
2. Document hiring procedures for advanced development coaches.

### **Randy Proctor -- VP Administration**

- Discussed new roof for covered play area at FCE. Initial bids too high. Meeting to discuss further to be held on 5/16 at 5:00 PM.
- Question about acquisition of full sized goals? Need to focus on roof and field maintenance at this time.
- Ball needs were discussed for U7/U8. Santa Kriebel maintains every U7 kid needs a ball for practice (as kids get older they tend to bring their own balls). Also, there was concern about having the appropriate sized balls for each level. Roxanne Heller suggested color-coded balls or bags to make it easier for coaches to get the right gear. It was agreed all club reps need to provide their estimate of balls needed to Randy and he will source and place order.
- A question from Roxanne concerning registration – could there be a “red flag” automatically show up for over-age kids in the registration database. Mike said best solution would be to export to Excel and make a manual check.

### **Char Yotz -- Fall City**

- Discussed proposed transfer of Fall City park property to Snoqualmie Tribe. King County officials are working on an agreement to transfer Fall City Park to the federally recognized tribe, which has ancestral ties to the land. The tribe would be responsible for operations, maintenance, repairs and improvements to the park. King County apparently no longer has the operational funds to maintain the park. Riding groups, Little League, SnVYSA, and local residents are concerned about the tribe’s lack of experience in managing and maintaining a community park. Some folks have suggested transferring the park to the baseball, soccer, and riding groups. Primary concerns are for safety of the fields and the potential for restricted access. Mike Dunkle asked if there is a land use application on file. Char will attend town hall meeting Wednesday 5/16 6:30 PM and represent SnVYSA.
- Related to the Fall City Park situation it is possible that the pea patch across the road could be used for U7/U8 backup fields? This is being explored with the landowner.
- Challenger Camp people not following procedures for use of parks. Charlie to send email to Challenger to not name SnVYSA as host association.

### **Charlie Gifford – VP Development**

- Recent meeting with Remlinger Farms regarding horse show this summer which will result in taking away full-size practice area. May have alternate space which is smaller, however original contract was for two years. There is concern that the horse shows could be an ongoing event in subsequent summers (higher revenue generation). Charlie said there might be land along 60<sup>th</sup> which could be purchased or leased. Randy Procter said all possibilities should be pursued. Mike has approached Nestle about unused land below the road near the Training Center. This issue is now being considered by Nestle officials back east, however discussions are only preliminary at this point.
- Charlie expressed concern about losing players when they get to the U12/13 level. He mentioned an association in Irvine that does a draft every year to keep kids moving around and thereby creates team balance. Bud Raisio would like everyone to think about this more and have further discussion.
- Status of coaching clinics this summer: E-license has 8 people committed with 2 more who have expressed interest. Hope to have sessions in second or third weekend in July. Charlie also wants to have two U10 clinics in July and U8 clinic first week in August and also third week. For referee clinics it was suggested to have training to include scrimmage games. Finally, 21 people passed the Grade 8 USSF license test recently.

### **JoAnne Bastian -- Snoqualmie**

- Question raised about letting autistic boy play down to be with his younger brother (he is a true U8, brother is U6). His doctor had made this recommendation. It was ruled that he can only play down one level, that is, to U7.
- Enough players and a youth coach were found for Friendship Cup matches at Soccer Fair and it was a success.
- Centennial field use conflict with Junior Wildcats football team. May have to move some U7 teams to alternate location on Wednesday nights. Carmichael field is a possibility. Growing concern about inadequate field resources for 180 U6/U7 kids from Snoqualmie alone.

### **Ed Eldredge – District II Rep**

- Eastside Youth Soccer news – Preston fields are out to bid

- Woodinville field – residents near the ballfields are opposed to renovation to include lights and play turf
- District 3 – U15 through U19 girls’ teams will be playing in the fall
- District 1 – rumor has it that U15-U19 girls’ teams will be playing in the spring; not confirmed
- WSYSA will be holding a formal vote in June on whether or not WSYL GU15-GU19 teams will play fall or spring ball, also on the table is the possible dissolution of WSYDL

**Santa Kriebel – Cascade FC**

- Paperwork for two players from Redmond, Hannah and Caitlin Crook (twins, DOB Aug 1999) was separated from registration forms. Roxanne Heller agreed to take them.
- Scholarship applications and essays have been submitted. Three students from Mount Si and two from Cedarcrest. Total pool of \$1000 can be divided at BOD discretion. Santa will scan and send out essays to BOD members for review.
- All Cascade FC teams have completed the registration process except for two.
- Tournament season has started
- Snoqualmie Ridge fields are undergoing maintenance (coring, top dressing, seeding, fertilizing) and are anticipated to be back on line in June
- Coaches contract question: Should coach have to pay for own children with respect to coach’s fee? Bud Raisio deemed it fair not to charge coaches’ own kids.
- Santa was recently presented with a lifetime member reward for her long service to youth soccer.

**Lisa Pillo – Treasurer**

Treasurer’s Report was distributed. Santa Kriebel made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report. Motion second by JoAnne Bastian. Treasurer’s report was unanimously approved.

**Jennifer Berens -- Carnation**

- What to do with extra Sounders cards? Give to referees was one idea.
- U7 registrations are very low. Jennifer plans to attend kindergarten roundup.

**Roxanne Heller – Duvall**

- Roxanne hopes to display banner at new retail complex near Safeway in Duvall.

**Bud Raisio -- President**

Grant money: Bud talked to contractor friend regarding new field at the in North Bend. City of North Bend had considered building new field three years ago for approximately \$300K. Editorial was written by Bud’s friend Jim of the *Valley Record* to put pressure on the city to move forward with the field. Bud is hopeful something will happen by end of summer.

Meeting adjourned 9:27