

MINUTES

TUCSON METRO SOCCER LEAGUE BOARD MEETING

December 14, 2023

Attendees: Vasilis (Bill) Andriopoulos, Marty Tagg, Homayoon (Homa) Karimi, Eddie Betterton, Belayneh (Bee) Tafesse, Diego Morales, Pete Wendler

Guests: Firass Hadi

Excused Absences: Jonathan Pearlman, Adam Roth

Unexcused Absences: None

Meeting: The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm.

I. Routine Business (AGENDA):

- 1) The minutes of November meeting were motioned for approval by Marty and Bill seconded. Approval was unanimous.
- 2) Financial Report – Homa provided a brief financial report. Total assets are \$124,687.89 with \$2864.23 in PayPal and \$121,823.66 in Wells Fargo. Marty motioned for approval and Bee seconded. Approval was unanimous.
- 3) D&R – 5 red cards were handed out as well as a couple more in the last week.

II. Old Business

- 1) Turf Tank (Paint-machine)
 - Bill got PCJSL info on Turf Tank and he emailed it to the Board.
 - Board will read and get questions back to Bill for him to forward to Larry.
- 2) Guest
 - Firass Hadi: Turning 57 years old in January and wants to join 060 next season because he had knee surgery, cannot handle 050.
 - Eddie says he can join Arya's team.
 - Homa motions to make an exception and allow Firass to join 060 next season, Bee seconds. 4 vote yes and 2 vote no.
- 3) Bylaws
 - Term for D&R. Marty motions to remove 3-yr term. Pete seconds. 5 vote yes, 1 votes no.
 - Cynthia previously did registration and now only hands in paperwork to the state.
 - Registration times for players good, remove Wednesday for in person registration drop off due to lack of staff on location.

- Marty suggests teams should pay for forfeits. Board decides bylaws will not be changed and teams will still not be charged for forfeits.
- Bee motions to remove 3rd forfeit having the consequences of no tournament participation and instead to make it the 4th forfeit. Diego seconds. 5 vote yes and 1 vote no.
- Marty brings up the Bylaws Section IV-2d: “we may reduce registration fee for dual roster players” currently the charge is \$15 per player to the state. Looking for clarification in the bylaw due to vagueness. Bill suggests moving the topic to the next meeting. Marty agrees.
- Bylaws Section V-1b: “The board will only determine league champions if a minimum of X games are played during the season”. The number representing X has never been established. The board agrees on 15 games as a minimum for champions
- Bylaws Section V-1c: “each division champion team will receive a trophy and shirts” Marty suggests removing the trophies from the Bylaws since only shirts have been handed out in the past. The board agrees.
- Marty says he will send final draft tomorrow and edits are due Friday.
- Diego says penalty points will be issued to players. If team removed players we remove points.
- Homa says to send Bylaws to the captains.
- Bill says to notify them that they will be on the website.

4) IRS

- Bill talked to David Block and he will talk to the IRS on letter saying TMSL owes back taxes, since we don't pay taxes.
- Homa asked to be copied onto any finance stuff as treasury.

III. New Business

1) Fiji

- Vimal “Fiji” Kuberan, long-time TMSL player, has died. Raad Taki will find out where to donate \$250 to.

2) Xmas Bonus'

- Maggie (Referee Assinger) will receive \$250
- Eric (Net Person) will receive \$150
- Connie (Bookkeeper) will receive \$250
- Eddie (Scheduling and Web Master) will receive \$250
- Steve and Jack will receive gifts from Bill for TMSL board service

3) Mid-season deadline for playoffs- January 26th 2024

- Bill motions for the 26th of January to be eligible. Bee seconds. 4 vote yes, 2 vote no.
- Eddie says to notify captains of deadline.
- Bill says player played half season with one team and wants to transfer. Does he have to sit out of a game? Yes, if in same division.

4) X-mas Party

- Send restaurant choice to Bill with place and time. Invite Bob and Maggie Barton. Everyone must send their recommendations tomorrow to be considered.

5) D&R

- Bill will send Jonathan an email that he must handle Division Rep and D&R duties.
- Bill says that D&R has been non-responsive
- Marty as VP will be chairman and send cases with recommendations. He will send an email to D&R tomorrow.

VI. Adjournment. Marty motioned to end the meeting and Pete seconded. Approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 19th day of December 2023.

By Emma Peet

Vasilis Andriopoulos
President

The next meeting of the Tucson Metro Soccer League Board of Directors will be in person at The Shop and/or virtual on Wednesday, January 10th at 6:30 pm.