

ACSA Board of Captains Meeting
August 28, 2013
Space 12
Austin, TX

7:02 Call to order by president, followed by welcome comments and introduction to the league.

MOTION: Adoption of minutes of previous meeting, Seconded, passes unanimously.

Officer Reports

Vice President

- trophy presentation to division winners requesting trophies
- Copa tournament approaching, volunteers and sponsors are needed. No date is set but it is expected to be in late February or early March 2014

President

- please make use of the recycle bins at fields
- financials
 - when he was serving as treasurer, Thomas discovered no tax return had been filed by the league since 2008
 - as a result, we have temporarily lost our nonprofit status
 - there is no sign of wrongdoing, it was an oversight
 - per IRS rules we can file our tax return and 1024 to get nonprofit status reinstated
 - we have spent \$600 on a bookkeeper, who has thus far reconciled our books for the entire fiscal year
 - clarification that the treasurer has resigned and the president is filling the role as acting treasurer
 - the bookkeeper handles receipts so there remains oversight on spending
 - ACSA has a UFCU investment account with ~\$250000 in a conservative portfolio for 5-10% return
 - we may use this money as seed money for AMSA field development
 - profit-loss statement
 - biggest income sources are team fees and membership fees
 - biggest expense is field rental ~\$24000/year; resulting discussion regarding what contributes to the cost of the fields, opportunity to making more fields available through partnership with the city or other leagues
 - ACSA clears ~\$1000/month

Public Service Opportunity - ISWS

- opportunity for a coed league to work with an organization in Africa
- hold a drive in the spring to collect soccer gear
- provide financial support for the organization; \$1500 is 10% of league net income
- members of the league could travel to Africa to provide further support if they're interested
- opportunity for cross promotion through involvement with the charity

MOTION: donate \$1500 of league money to ISWS, seconded. Passes unanimously.

Player Cards

- virtual player cards are a possibility through ateamo
- the league will be looking into this more
- cards could be used on smart phones, are easier for the league and for guest players
- cards may be ready for first Fall 2013 game, but don't count on them and have available original cards as a backup

Referee Raise

- men's league has raised their referee fees; ACSA should follow suit
- counterpoint: men's is on Sunday and we are not in competition with them, so it will not benefit our league to do so
- women's league has already followed suit
- it has been possibly 5 years since the last fee increase
- would it be possible for a ratings system to be implemented to provide feedback on referees? or for the ref coordinator to hire a ref evaluator?
- incentive programs for quality referees are a possibility
- though this is a 20% raise, it is a marginal increase in the cost/player

MOTION: raise referee fees to \$30/team/game. Seconded, passes.

Girl Goal Points

- didn't result in a noticeable change in play for the D1/D2 summer 2013 division
- discussion about the rule's pros and cons
- division 1 will vote and if it passes, votes will continue through divisions until it fails. this division break will be the cutoff for having/not having the rule

MOTION: Division 1 teams vote on the number of points for girl goals within their division, seconded. Voted down; girl goals will remain at 2 points throughout league.

Nay: Nuts & Boltz, ATX-Lets Goal, Austin Athletic Club, Nitros, Gertrudes

Yea: Blue Sox

Ateamo

- registration issues are addressed

- please inform Kevin if you encounter problems so he can fix bugs
- schedules will shift to ateamo; score reporting can be entered either on ateamo or on acsasoccer.org
- discussion about new and upcoming features of ateamo
- ateamo.net blog is a good source for information about using the website

New Business

- Fall 2013 December fields - the city and AMSA have closed fields in december, we are looking for fields for the first two weekends that month
- Review of the rainout schedule procedure
- Discussion about adjusting the balance to 6 men and 4 women, could be considered for summer 2014
- Colin Camp's situation is reviewed and players are encouraged to donate

MOTION: End meeting, seconded. Meeting adjourned.