



**Stafford Area Soccer Association  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
August 13, 2014**



**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m.

Board Members Present: Sean Harrigan, Randy Sparks, Mark Bowman, Renee Frey, Monty Ottwell.

Board Members Absent: Krista Lenzmeier, Carla Smith.

Others Present: Barry Hill, Stephanie Johnson.

**II. Public May Address the Board**

None.

**III. Other Reports**

**Technical Director - Barry Hill**

For the E course, 13 of 19 showed up. The F course is to be held August 23rd and about ten have signed up so far.

Barry is working on the presentation for the general membership meeting. Barry attended the NSCAA course, passed and received proper certification.

Travel schedules have been distributed and practices have started. The Jamboree schedules should be completed soon; referees are looking for schedules. Travel teams are planning a few friendlies with NVSC and FCSI. DC United schedules for the Labor Day friendlies are also available.

Uniform issues on the travel side should be resolved.

Barry met with King George County to address spring numbers.

Summer camps were successful. There were about 18 full time campers for the first week, but with daily individual participants, the average daily numbers were about 24. Week 2 hosted about 35 players per day. Elite Week was extremely successful with about 100 players per day. The Elite Week camp was staffed by nine B and C licensed coaches.

Widewater's field sprigging was completed.

**Director of Coaching - N/a**

**Director of Operations - Stephanie Johnson**



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Stephanie discussed questions and procedures for the general membership meeting. The Board addressed candidates and listed those who would be on the ballot.

The Board reviewed tryout numbers and compared with the acceptance rates. Within the Academy programs, 264 players were accepted from the almost 400 registrants. In Travel, 488 participated in tryouts and 335 were selected for teams.

Stephanie discussed preparation of a rotary presentation. The Board also discussed the Kids' Convention in mid-September and Business Expo in October. Stephanie will provide a report of promotional items.

Dick's Appreciation Day is August 23rd. The club will need office coverage and assistance at Dick's.

Financial aid requests have been coming in and approximately \$20,000 in financial aid has been approved.

The Board discussed field availability for the fall, specifically for fall and the St. Patrick's Day tournament.

Stephanie discussed the Leadership Fredericksburg community action project proposal.

#### **Rules & Discipline Committee**

None reported.

#### **Coordinator Reports**

None.

#### **IV. Approval of the Minutes**

The Board approved the May meeting minutes via e-mail by vote of 6-0, with Carla absent. The Board confirmed the vote for the minutes. The Board reviewed the June meeting minutes. Sean moved to approve the minutes and Randy seconded the motion. The motion passed with five votes in favor and two absent (Carla, Krista).

#### **V. Action Items**

##### **Budget**

The 2014 budget, as modified via e-mail, was approved with the modifications by vote of 6-0 with Carla absent.

##### **Coach Reinstatement**



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The Board reconsidered a coaching reinstatement request via e-mail. The Board voted to oppose reinstatement by unanimous decision (7-0). Sean will address e-mails regarding the issue.

**Promotional Items**

Stephanie presented custom scarves for club sales. Mockups can be made with a minimum order of 144. The Board believed this merchandise would sell well. Stephanie also noted that she had communicated with a custom slides company and would like to review a joint fundraiser opportunity with the company in the spring.

**Spirit Nights**

The Board addressed organizing several spirit nights with various organizations throughout the year.

**VI. Board Reports**

**President - Sean Harrigan**

Sean inquired about the status of team building, number of coaches needed and the number of teams for the fall season.

**Vice President - Randy Sparks**

No additional news for discussion.

**Secretary - Mark Bowman**

No additional news for discussion.

**Treasurer - Krista Lenzmeier.**

Absent.

**Recreation Program Director - Carla Smith**

Absent

**Revolution Academy Director - Monty Ottwell**

Monty reviewed the Academy program numbers for fall.

**Travel Director - Renee Frey**



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Renee held a team manager meeting for travel teams. All teams and volunteers are registered. Tournament schedules are progressing to completion.

**VII. New Business**

**Age-up Requests**

Barry stated more and more players were requesting to play up an age group. For 2015, he would like to review the policies in the operations manual and update to create a more uniform approach to these requests.

**Shed**

The county will allow the club to take over its shed at Willowmere if the club removes its shed which is aging and in need of repairs. The Board discussed removal of the old shed.

**Director of Coaching**

Barry and Stephanie will prepare a strategic plan to determine the club's future needs and objectives prior to bringing in a new DOC.

**VIII. Executive Session**

None.

**IX. Adjournment**

There being no further business to conduct, Renee moved that the meeting be adjourned. Sean seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 p.m.