

## GCYS May General Meeting

May 11, 2009

### Attending Board Members

President-Dave Profitt

Registrar-Pam Mager

Scorekeeper-Ed Moninghoff

Secretary- Nikki Verberne

D&P-Philip Gentry

Scheduler- Alex Gonzalez

Director of Training – Jaime Palco

### Non-Attending Members

Vice-President – Matthew Hay

Treasurer-Max Doner

Uniforms – Kathy Doner

Fields – Glen Elliott

Others Present: Michael Hughes, Jay Sims, Jeff Johnson

Meeting called to order by Dave @ 6:32pm

Minutes on Line - Minutes approved from last meeting

BAYSA Minutes: Reviewed

### **Old Business**

#### Fall Season Review:

1. Fall Season Registration has begun. We have already had walk up registration in Santa Fe and Dickinson. Turn out has been lower than expected, but on-line registration runs through June 15, 2009. Galveston, Texas City and Mall of the Mainland registration is still scheduled for the following Saturday's in May.

2. Refund policy is players who request a refund prior to July 1 will receive a full refund. July 1- 15 will receive a half refund and after August 1 no refund will be issued.
3. Question rose regarding Galveston players who request to be able to play without paying for registration. Nikki will check with Shirley McGraw to see what BAYSA will do towards those players who were affected being able to play this season with payment or at a reduced rate regarding BAYSA fees.
4. Zero Tolerance Policy regarding behavior of players, parents and coaches. Jaime proposed a change to the wording of our current policy. This was tabled to be re-visited at a later time.

Uniforms: Soccer 4 All is being re-visited. They would be able to order all of our uniforms with no upfront money. They could have the uniforms ready in 60 days. The Board needs to make a decision regarding the uniform colors. There were not enough Board members present at the meeting to make a vote, so an email vote was proposed to get a vote from every Board member.

### **New Business**

Space City FC News: Randy Evans, President of Space City Futbol Club came to GCYS meeting to discuss some upcoming changes with their organization. He wanted to share their direction with their Academy Program due to recent changes with BAYSA regarding the rules for their Academy program. They have concerns regarding the costs of the Academy as well as the commitment to have to travel for their teams to be able to play games. They would like to have games closer in proximity for their players. Their recommendation is that they change their Academy to US Club Soccer. They shared that this will reduce their Academy fees from \$1,000 to \$700 a season for their U-9 and U-10 teams. They would like support from GCYS to possibly join US Club Soccer for their Academy players. They state that they already have Quest and Eclipse interested in joining as well. Their hope is to build a strong foundation for an area wide soccer organization to be able to compete with clubs on the north side of Houston. Their U-11 and up programs will stay the same.

Sandhill Crane Soccer Fields: Jay is holding a Field work day at Sandhill Crane, Saturday May 16, 2009. He has several volunteers lined up, but is requesting money from the Board to be able to purchase supplies needed to repair the fields. He requested \$750.00 to use on the fields. The motioned was made by Alex and seconded by Nikki for approval for the Board to give Jay the money requested. The vote was unanimous. The City of Galveston requests that GCYS not add any new equipment at this point. They are still negotiating with FEMA for funds and the negotiations could continue throughout the summer. We can repair existing equipment only at this time.

Project for Staihoil Company: By recommendation from the Houston Dynamo, Staihoil Oil Company is looking to donate \$10-15 thousand dollars to help rebuild the Galveston fields.

Suggestions for this money could be either a concession stand, or possibly a fence around the fields to help prevent the ball from traveling so far away.

Coaching DVD's: Multiple DVD's available to help our coaches. Especially help potential new coaches. This could be used as a tool to help parents who would like to coach, but don't know how to. These could either be given to new coaches or have a library for coaches to be able to rent these DVD's. These would be available for each age level of play. This was motioned by Jaime and seconded by Philip for the board to purchase these DVD's for approximately \$300. The vote was unanimous.

Nomination for open Coach and Development Position: Nikki nominated Jaime Palco for this position and was seconded by Jay Sims. The vote was unanimous.

New Texas City Soccer Fields: Ed notified the Board regarding a new park in Texas City. The new park will be the Carlos Garza Park. This park will have baseball and soccer fields.

Osburn Soccer Fields: Jeff Johnson noted that the Osburn fields are in need of repair. He stated that some of the goals needed to be repaired or replaced. Dave said that there were some goals in Galveston stored at O'Connell High School that Jeff could use for the Osburn Fields. The club would like to have 3 11v11 fields at Osburn.

Reminder that ALL practice fields must be approved by the board. This is for insurance reasons.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be in June, 2009. All meetings for the remainder of the year will be held at Mall of the Mainland. It is on the West side of the food court across from the FYE music store. More information will be posted on the GCYS website.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn at 8:30 pm.