

OCSL Board Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2014

6:00 – 7:00 pm

Present: Barb (Registrar), Tim (President), Mike (Vice President), Keith (Treasurer), Donna (Secretary), Bill (Rec Dept)

Election of Officers

A general discussion was held in which it was agreed by all present that a critical need exists to recruit new members to the board. More parent volunteers are needed to train in the administration of the association. New initiatives would be possible with more volunteers, such as facilitating an equipment and uniform exchange. Several board members have served for multiple terms and their children will not be playing much longer. Parents and coaches should be encouraged to attend the monthly meetings and contribute to the association. Over the course of the year, the work load is light, although there are times during the spring or fall seasons when the time commitment increases. It was agreed that a call for new volunteers should go out on the ocsf facebook page. Tim offered to buy dinner for all attendees at the July board meeting (to be held July 14 at 6 pm at the Rec Dept) if attendance exceeds 10 people.

The OCSL Board for July 2014-June 2015 will be:

Tim -- President
Mike -- Vice President
Barb -- Registrar
Keith -- Treasurer
Donna -- Secretary
Bill -- Rec Dept Liaison

Treasurer's Report

Keith presented the bills that he had paid since the last meeting (April 14), including Georgia Soccer, DTI (uniforms), GameOfficials, Union Recorder, Post Office, awards and ribbons invoice, and Little Caesars Pizza. A \$1190 check was received from the Rec Dept for spring registrations. Referee expenses for the spring season equaled \$2550, \$960 of which was reimbursement for refs who recertified in the fall. A general discussion followed. Referee reimbursement for certification and re-certification was a contentious issue. Discussion on this topic did not result in a clear procedure for the future. The topic of referee pay was also briefly discussed, with the possibility of polling other counties to learn their pay scales left on the table.

There was a brief discussion about the missed opportunity of having an OCSL representative attend the Annual General Meeting of Georgia Soccer on Feb. 1, 2014. There was general agreement that someone from the board should attend the next annual meeting in 2015. It is inconclusive whether or not a board member would be able to attend the Semi-Annual Meeting on July 19 at the Renaissance Atlanta Waverly Hotel (Galleria). - See more at: <http://www.georgiasoccer.org/story/2014/05/16/semi-annual-general-meeting---july-19/#sthash.qVwpeitF.dpuf>

There was a discussion about the travel teams OCSL will sponsor in the fall. At present, there are two coaches proposing teams, Jorge is interested in coaching a U19 girls team and Sam would like to form a U14 co-ed team. Three members of the board expressed interest in attempting to field a U12 team for RILS play.

The president discussed the current plans for the proposed storage building. He will have the revised bids ready for review at the July board meeting. More vendors will be brought into the process. Changes to the proposed foundation will be made. Approval will be need from the county before groundbreaking can begin.

The recent incident of vandalism was discussed. A truck had been driven onto field 1 and field 5 resulting in turf damage. A goal post was pulled down. There was general consensus that: the gate should be closed from 10 pm

to 5 am nightly; a fence should be put up across the parking lot at field 5; security cameras should be implemented to catch the license plates of vehicles entering and exiting the complex; even a short fence along field 2 and possibly field 3, would increase security as well as keep balls from rolling over the edge of the precipice.

Bill reported on a funding request sent to the county. Requests for funding for the soccer complex were included with other rec department needs. Soccer specific funding requests included fencing, landscaping, bleachers, and sidewalks.

Players registering for fall will need to complete a concussion form. The parent pledge should also be part of the registration packet.

The rec department is still assessing the impact that House Bill 60 will have on recreational sports.

The president reported that a liner is needed in the pond.

Over the summer the fields should be sanded. The rec dept can supply the labor, ocsi will foot the bill for a truckload of sand for each field. The fields also should be aerated.

Flags have been disappearing, either through vandalism but perhaps just due to wind. The need for flags was discussed, with the general consensus that new flags would be purchased. Poles should already be available.

The discussion about the dates of the fall season has been tabled until the July meeting when the new board takes over. Registration will tentatively begin on July 15, 2014.

Keith will contact Kim from Georgia Soccer to arrange a presentation of the online registration system to the board and the rec department. As Keith will likely miss the next board meeting, it was agreed that Kim's presentation should be set up between now and then. Many useful features would become available if ocsi can take advantage of this resource.

The meeting was adjourned at 7 pm