

## WR Kickers Board Meeting 1/21/24

Members in attendance: Mike, Darin, Larrie, Phil, Rae, Malissa, Megan, Karen, Rachel, Cat, Brian, Jen,

Additional attendees: Leslie Ironside

Member not present: none

Meeting called to order: 6:00 pm by Megan

Reviewed last Board Meeting minutes: [WR Kickers Board Meeting Minutes 11/5/23](#)

A motion was made by Cat and seconded by Mike to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

President updates - Megan

- CWSL Meeting updates
  - CWSL board met on Sat, 1/20, minutes have not been posted yet
  - Board members vote on: Tara was elected Vice President, Megan was elected Director of Player Development
  - There are new club presidents at Wausau & Rhinelander
  - A new registration platform will be available in July or we can choose to stay with Demosphere
  - CWSL is working on a Zero tolerance for refs policy. Refs will be able to stop a game and remove parents, if needed.
  - CWSL has drafted a transgender policy. It is in line with WIAA policy for players aged 12+. This should be posted on the CWSL website shortly.
  - No further CWU teams after this season
  - There will be coaching clinics in Wausau in March for CWSL coaches.
  - Risk management is going to be yearly for all people. The price will be \$30/year/person but the background check will go down to county level. This will be about \$1410/yr for all current coaches, managers and board members, though not everyone submits for the reimbursement.
  - WYSA (state) fees will be going up this year across the board from Academy through MRL. We will look at the impact with the Fall registration cost review.
  - CWSL is looking at a district-wide academy program similar to what is done in Madison and other areas. We could get a \$4000 grant for the program that would include a ball & Jersey for each participant. We would need to use the specific 6 week curriculum and practice 2 days/week from the end of April - June. This would include 2 play dates/ season where teams would travel between the clubs. MCU and Marshfield are interested. PCYS is meeting this week. This could include 4-8 year olds, but play days would be geared toward 6-8 years.
    - A motion was made by Larrie and seconded Brain to do the district academy this spring. The motion passed.
  - Spring schedules will be done in March.
  
- Indoor Tournament Open for Registrations

- Registration is on the website. This is a non-sanctioned event that is open to any players U9 - adult.
- We will need to order awards this year. Mike will need numbers by the beginning of Feb.
- Should we have an award for team theme? Yes, we should have a fan voted team theme contest and award.
- Cameras
  - Veo - \$1,000/camera, plus \$70-\$200/month for subscription fees. They do offer a \$200 discount for WYSA members.
  - Trace - \$495 lease for camera/year, \$180-\$300/month for subscription fees. This is open to family subscriptions as well.
  - Hudl - did not hear back from them
  - A motion was made by Cat and seconded by Mike to purchase 2 Veo cameras with the club yearly subscription package. The motion passed.
    - Priority will be the older teams and state league teams (U13 & U15 state, U13 Schuerman, U14 coed, U15 coed)
    - Will need to figure out scheduling logistics. Usage needs to be limited to managers and coaches because player information confidentiality issues.
    - This is for player development only!! This is absolutely not for referee critique.
- Coaching clinics- Should we offer incentives for our coaches to attend
  - Feb 14-15, free to any coach in district, Jim Launder, 90 min field time, 30 min classroom time, WRAMS
  - We will be looking for U13+ players
  - Cat made a motion and Karen seconded it to give polo shirts to Rapids attendees who attend both sessions up to \$30/shirt. The motion passed.
- Megan made a request for B License reimbursement from the club. The cost of course is \$3000, but Megan received a scholarship for \$1,500. The license will require travel to Illinois and is a 6 month course.
  - A motion was made by Rachel and seconded by Darin to reimburse Megan \$1500 upon passing the course. The motion passed.
- A motion to go into close session was made by Rachel and seconded by Malissa to go into closed session to discuss a player behavior issue. The motion passed.
  - A motion was made by Cat and seconded by Darin to go back into open session. The motion passed.
- Spring tournaments -
  - Malissa made a motion and Rae seconded to go to the following tournaments for Classic Spring teams:
    - MCU in Wausau, May 3-5th
    - WIUFC in Menasha, May 17-19 - reciprocal from last year
    - Home tournament - May 31 - June 2
    - Kicking For a Cure in Appleton - June 21-23
  - The motion passed.

#### Vice President Updates - Mike

- Nothing to report

#### Secretary Updates - Rachel

- Nothing to report

#### Communication Director Updates - Phil

- Cost of U15 girls as well as options
  - There was a lot of confusion around what U15+ girls should do to sign up for Fall vs Spring. Several players did not think they needed to register for Spring because it was a tournament only team. Girls who want to do tournaments during the Spring '24 season need to sign up to be included.
  - We will look at the wording for the next registration cycle to clarify this.
- Tournament registration site open, what do we want to do about CC fees?
  - Larrie, Malissa & Phil will work on this offline and come back to the Board with information.
- Referee training information for the website
  - Rae will send info to Phil
  - We will also look at putting something into WRAMS/LHS newsletters

#### Registrar Updates - Karen

- Proposal of teams
- Coed
  - U19 - U16-19 - 16 players - Coach Derringer
  - U16 - U15-U16 - 22 players (16 boys/6 girls) - Coach Meyer
    - There were 4 girls at this age bracket not interested in playing coed and they will get a refund for the Spring season fees.
  - U13/14 -19 players ( 9 - U14, 10 - U13) - Coach Bores
  - U12 - 17 players (7 - U12, 10 - U11) - Coach Johnson
  - U8/9/10 - 2 teams
    - 12 players U8-10 - Coach Pigeon
    - 12 players U8-10 - COach Lewis
- Female
  - U16 - 19 girls - 18 players - Coach Hall
  - No U14 or U15 girls teams
  - U13 - 17 players - Coach Schuerman
  - U11/12 - 17 players (5 - U12, 12 - U11) - Coach Kandler
  - U9/10 - 2 teams
    - 11 players - Coach Crowley
    - 12 players - Coach Shaw

After much discussion, Phil made a motion to accept the proposed rosters and Larrie seconded it. The motion passed. Megan abstained from U11/12, U15 votes, Malissa abstained from all voting.

#### Treasurer Updates - Larrie

- The Board reviewed finalized number for last year.,
- Larrie is working on a budget to propose to the Board.

#### Academy Director - Cat

- Coverage for if Cat is deployed
  - Kira Pinney is interested and has 2 kids in the program.
    - She will need Y1 License, Risk Management and SafeSport to be able to coach

#### Referee Assignor - Rae

- There will be an upcoming new referee certification - February 17th at Immanuel Lutheran from 12-5pm
- Indoor tournament deadlines for finding referees
  - Rae will assign referees for the indoor tournament and will get the schedule after registration ends on 3/8.

#### Director of Coaching - Darin

- Darin reviewed the Coach proposal for the Spring teams.
- There was concern about 1 coach who has not responded and needs to renew SafeSport to be able to coach. Darin will follow up on this.

#### Director of player development - Brian

- Nothing

#### Tournament Director - Malissa

- Ed Morten - option for 2 states, 2 blasts - \$800, 3 states, 3 blasts - \$1150, 3/2, 3/25, 4/7
  - Megan made a motion and Rae seconded it to approve sending 3 blasts for \$1050. The motion passed.
- Tournament Committee Meeting is scheduled for 1/22.
- Tents
  - Previous company (Everest) cost would be \$1252 for the same tents as last year.
  - Good to go Party rental - owned by Kylie Shrader - \$758 for the same tents
  - Cat made a motion and Rachel seconded it to go with Good to Go Party Rental. The motion passed.
- Madison 56'ers reached out asking for a reciprocal agreement with our state league teams. We would only be able to send 2 teams. Malissa will respond.

#### Volunteer Coordinator - Jen

- Would like to step down because her kids no longer participate with Kickers.
  - Megan knows a person who may be interested.

#### Next meeting

Sunday, 2/25 at 3pm - EJH

A motion was made by Cat and seconded by Malissa to adjourn. The motion passed.