

DEVON SOCCER ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

EXECUTIVE MEETING

Date: March 20, 2024

Time: 6:44 PM

Meeting called to order by: Sam Ruediger

IN ATTENDANCE

Sam Ruediger, Khaled Mahran, Sarah Wallace, Michelle Wambold

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from previous meeting were available for review. This meeting was set to discuss and finalize plans for the upcoming season.

AGENDA

Agenda provided by Sam.

BUSINESS DISCUSSED

1. Michelle to have signing authority as DSA Secretary
 - a. Motion brought forward by Sam. Seconded by Sarah. Passed unanimously.
 - b. Four signatures, minimum, required on the meeting minutes. Then Michelle can take the signed minutes to the bank and complete the process.
2. Player registration numbers are down this year from last year. They may pick up and be comparable to last year with late/last minute registrations.
3. The equipment exchange will take place at The Store one week before the season starts
 - a. April 6 from 12 to 2 PM. Khaled and Michelle
 - b. April 11 from 6 to 8 PM. Sarah
4. Equipment pick up and coaches meeting will take place at the Devon Public Library
 - a. April 20
 - b. 11 AM to noon...coaches meeting only
 - c. Noon to 3 PM...everyone else
 - d. 3 to 4 PM...clean up

5. The **AGM** will be moved to the end of the season/after the season. There is low interest at this point. We should plan to hold the AGM about a week after the season is concluded. Date decided: **June 29**.
6. **Ref courses** will take place at Riverview Middle School
 - a. **April 20, 21, 22**
7. **Line painting** happening soon! Same needs volunteers. He currently has some people to help. If he finds out he needs more, then he will put out the call for help
 - a. **April 21**
8. **Practices** will start up for the **U9's and up**
 - a. **April 22**
9. **Games** will start for the **U9's and up** the following week. This is also when the **U3's to U7's** will start their season.
 - a. **April 29**
10. **Soccer pictures!** Sam emailed Mike Saramanga for availability. Aiming for the week of **May 13 to 14**. **Michelle** to follow up.

11. Tournament information:

- a. Camrose night classic for the U11's to U17's. May 31 to June 2.
 - b. Calmar Timbits Tournament. Date TBD.
 - c. Millet Tournament. June 8 and 9.
 - d. We may potentially do a Devon tournament mid-season. Sam will try and figure this one out once we know Calmar's Timbit tournament date(s). **-OR-**
 - i. To enhance community engagement and excitement with DSA, on home game nights we could put out sandwich board signs in town (like they do for hockey) and promote online to get people to just come on out and watch the games. We can even reach out to vendors, food trucks, etc. and let them know when and where so they can come out on those nights. Which also may attract people to come out on soccer nights.
Michelle to reach out to vendors.
12. We need coaches for all age groups!
- a. Khaled will coach
 - b. **Sam** will reach out to all the past coaches and see if they will volunteer again for this season.
13. The coach booklets created last year by Mikaul were well received and are requested again for this year. **Mikaul** to print out some more for this season please.
14. **SoccerPoolooza**
- a. **June 22**. The date is set. Sam has the pool booked. Same format as last year, but we need to get pizza in sooner, ensure people know there will be pizza (so many did not realize last year), and get some pop-up tents set up this year.
15. Season ends June 27
16. Equipment
- a. We will be moving the equipment from the sea can to the new shed. Then the coaches will be able to easily share the equipment rather than people having nets and such in their vehicles and some teams being short on items.
 - b. **Sam** will be buying some more nets.
 - c. Ball bags in the sea can are already organized.
 - d. Ball bags and first aid kits need more items. **Khaled** will put in a ULine order for more ice packs, band aids and alcohol wipes.
17. Sarah is gone March 31 to April 6
18. Jersey orders are in the works with Alice Embroidery.
19. Timbits jerseys – Battle River Soccer Association has plenty. We can get what we need from them.

ACTION ITEMS

- Names **highlighted** in **bold** found next to the items required.

NEXT MEETING

TBD

Meeting ended at 7:40 PM.