



**AUSC Minutes Wednesday, February 17th, 2021, via Teams 7 p.m. conference video call**

**Present:** Matt Neffinger, Sandy Lee, Josh Romond, Chris George, Timothy Hunt, Chris Coffey, David Turner

**Visitor:** Chris Urban

Call to Order: 7:05 p.m.

**VISITOR NEW BUSINESS:** Explore AU policy regarding gendering teams – Guest – Chris Urban

Introduction by Matt – explanation of current gendering policy – default single sex – girls and boys separated. Discretion of coaching director to place players on teams and will consider requests for placement on teams, whether for gender, age, playing up, etc. Coaching staff is consulted in the process. Matt asked VSL regarding data, and she indicated there was an increase in numbers when co-ed was offered.

Chris Urban: Presentation – Chris can talk again if we want or to follow up separately

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES from January 10, 2021 - Josh moves, Sandy second, all approve.**

**REPORTS OF OFFICER**

**President - (Matt N.)**

- Update on Vergennes Soccer Club – they are starting a 5/6 team for the Spring
- Fraud concerns – Matt shows us an example of a fraudulent email trying to get payment or money – make sure not to respond and check separately, and we can set up safety measures.

**Secretary – (Sandy L.)** Need to resign when I begin as a School Board member, and we should begin to look for a replacement.

**Treasurer – (Tim H.)** Tim still to meet with Chris G. Financials emailed. Not a lot of activity this past month. More revenue than expenses came in. (Chris G.) - registration revenues are trickling in with things starting back up Jan 26<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 15, and then monthly March 1 through

June 1. Tim H. is checking mail every two weeks. Concerns that we may be in the red this season. Todo: Need to revise budget for the current COVID situation.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Player and Coach Development: - (Chris G.)

- Discussion of numbers/registrations.
- Higher involvement in Techne Futbol this year than last. Players are engaged and coaches encouraging participation. Josh – it presents much more accessible to the kids – Chris – the platform has been updated and more accessible as well.
- Fustal session 3 – registration open until March 6.
- Anticipated outdoor – VSL Season May 8/9 through June 12/13
- Memorial Weekend event in SBTV for older teams
- VT Soccer festival in Essex (younger teams) June 5/6
- GMT in Manchester, VT June 19/20 (used to be in Weston), but has moved. No out of State travel is possible.
- Essex United Shootout for teams that want to. June 26/27
- Fields – Morse Field is current best option for outdoor training. Biggest issue – need U12 goals at Morse Park. Other options are limited with COVID restrictions, especially at schools with their tighter restrictions

Technology - (Josh R.) Chris and Josh working together to fill in website content - showed us an update

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Transfer Money Market account signatures - Josh move to allow transfer these accounts to Tim H. and Matt N., Sandy seconds, all approve.
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Next Meeting March 17<sup>th</sup> 7p (tentatively with futsal starting up again)

Adjourned 9:12 p.m.