

ASA Board Meeting

February 24, 2020

Minutes

Attendees:

- **In Person:** Brian Plessner, Margaret Core, Allie Signorelli, Shaara Roman, Adam Brick, David Tyhala, Sabine Schlorke, Jason Mugg, Marc Garufi, Kristin Hanmer
- **By Phone:** Chris Pryor
- **Absent:** Ali Protik

The meeting was called to order by Allie at approximately 7:32 PM.

1. **Minutes:** The January meeting minutes were approved.

2. Board Business

- The budget will be discussed next meeting. It is almost final. If Board Members feel they need information ahead of the meeting, contact Adam.

3. **Executive Director Report** (Adam Brick)—Distributed via email.

A. 50th Anniversary

- We are nearing a deal with Amazon for them to be the presenting sponsor for the 50th Anniversary. They will likely be present at community day.

B. Director of Communications

- The job posting for the Director of Communications position is on website and is being shared different networking groups. Adam asked for Board Member volunteers to review resumes and narrow down the applicant pool. The goal is to have a Director of Communications on board by May 1.

C. County/Community Engagement

- Adam is advocating to get an Arlington Soccer representative on the Arlington County Parks and Rec Committee. He is also looking to get representatives on the Sports Commission.
- Adam attended the monthly Saturday County Board meeting this month. He gave an overview of Arlington Soccer, mentioned Arlington Soccer's teammate of year and volunteer of year, and reported out on the plan for the 50th Anniversary. His strategy is to have an Arlington Soccer presence at the Saturday monthly County Board meetings going forward.
- Adam had conversations with DPR staff about the County field fund, which Arlington Soccer contributes to. The field fund was created by DPR and intended for capital improvement use, not field maintenance and upkeep. DPR advised that they want to begin discussions about expanding the use of that fund to include maintenance and upkeep.

D. Fundraising

- The fundraising consultants are in the final stage of completing the report.

E. Club House

- Adam reported that he is exploring some space in Long Bridge near the storage facility.

F. Rules and Discipline Procedures

- Adam shared his pilot proposal for a Rules and Discipline Process. The proposal included a governance structure (a Sportsmanship Committee and an R & D Appeals Committee) and detailed the types of issues the committees would handle.
- There was Board discussion about the scope (e.g., Rec and Travel, just Rec) and timing of the pilot. The Board felt it was important to include both Travel and Rec in the pilot since disciplinary issues arise out of both programs.
- After discussion, Allie moved to establish a Board Committee pursuant to Article VII of the Bylaws to pilot the Rules and Discipline Process for the spring soccer season covering both Rec and Travel issues. The motion was seconded by Marc.
- Kristin recommended that this new committee prepare a charter.

4. Program Reports

A. Rec Committee – Brian Plesser

- Uniform Update:
 - K-5 will remain the 12 different clubs uniforms
 - Middle school will be one club, home and away uniform
 - High school will continue to be up to the team
- In an effort to prevent club management continuity, the Rec Committee is exploring a process of recruiting new club managers to be mentored by seasoned ones.
- There will be a DC united “night out” on Sept 13th (1pm kickoff).

B. Travel Committee– Marc Garufi

- The Board discussed what role it wants the Travel Committee (TC) to play with respect to the annual budget process. The overall consensus was that the Board would welcome the TC’s input on the budget but the TC does not approve or vote on the Club’s budget. Marc will share the Board direction in more detail with TC on this issue.

5. Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee (FC)- Ali Protik

- The budget is being worked and will be shared at March meeting.

B. Community Outreach and Fields Committee (COF)-David Tyhala

- None

C. Fundraising Committee (FC)-Jason Mugg and Chris Pryor

- Fundraising consultant report is coming.
- June 13th is the tentative date for community day; a date for the Gala has not been set. There was a suggestion to seek volunteers for the Gala from the Arlington Soccer community. Adam will put something in the weekly email soliciting volunteers.

D. Human Capital Committee (HC)-Margaret Core

- None.

E. Risk Committee (RC) Sabine Schlorke

- None

The next Arlington Soccer Board meeting will be Monday, March 23, 2020

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 PM