

In Attendance:

Nov 12, 2024 at 6:30 pm

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Niall Gleeson
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2024 Soccer Season

1. Soccer Age Groups

- Do we keep house league age groups and change rep?
- Yes lets change rep and see about changing house.
- Soccer goes by age of Jan. 1. (same as school calendar) We should double check if it is the same for BC soccer?
- Should we change our ages to match baseball/hockey? **Niall** can look at the numbers if we change the ages to U15/U13/U11 ect.
- **Niall** will report back and also find out what baseball age group cut off dates look like
- On this note, we need to keep track of male/female, and what they identify as during registration
- Another separate note, coaches will need to apply and complete their credentials - **Carrie** will be touching base with coaches on an individual basis.

2. Schedule

- Do we try to schedule multiple age groups one after the other? ie - can we tighten up the schedule
- With two rep teams, we will need an extra practice time for the other rep team
- Next meeting we need to bring last year's schedule and decide what can work.
- We would have to look at net configuration.
- **Ben** has looked into how to secure net. These nets have wider bases so they don't fall. Also there are some staples that hold the net down. Then we could leave the nets where they are all season. We could talk to the town to see if they can just mow around the little nets as they do the small nets
- **Ben** will bring some ideas about nets and price points to next meeting, maybe talk to Invermere and see how they do their nets.

3. Registration

- During registration we need to clarify which girls and boys would be interested in rep soccer.
- We need to decide if rep is an extra cost (You must also play house league)
- We need to describe what "rep" is in registration - ie - travel is expected, what tournaments we are looking at
- Finding out what tournaments we would like to be would be good so we know what weekends we need to re-arrange and can put it on our registration nice and early
- **Chantell** is looking into Western Financial supporting rep team with swag like track suits ect, maybe tournament fees

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- Could we send out a letter about rep info sheet early - maybe **Faith** (as communication representative role)

Could we do a coaches training that is half a day, we provide coaching books, on field training, pizza ect. And then show them the direction they need to go for their training, show them how to sign up ect. Maybe we can use the commons and the high school field, somewhere bw March and April

-We are using team Linkt next year.

4. Board Members

- We need to pump up the AGM
- Let's ask people to come give us their input rather than trying to reach out for volunteers (but of course we will take volunteers)
- We need to put it in the paper two weeks before
- AGM Feb 4th
- We can open up registration the following week

We need a U5, U7 and sponsorship coordinator

Nial has been using a ref coordinating software for hockey that may work for soccer as well.

~Meeting Adjourned at 7:50pm~

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