

## **Annual Membership Meeting Minutes**

Sunday, September 20, 2015, Gettysburg High School

Members Present: Jeff Yingling (President), Christie Bach (Secretary), Patty Wivell (Treasurer), Roger Williams (Director of Coaching), Erin Aumen (Fundraising), Phil Biesecker, Jeremy Forrer, Anne Cherry, Sharon Stephenson, Michael Ball, Laurie Schneider, Ariel Williams, Mike Bishop, and Eric Aumen.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Gettysburg Youth Soccer Club Annual Membership Meeting was called to order at 7:15pm in room A122 of Gettysburg High School.

## 2. CLUB STATISTICS

GYSC currently has 7 travel teams consisting of U9B, U10B, U10G, U11G, U11B, U12B, U13B and one U14G AYSO tournament team. There are 93 players currently in GYSC .This year we are using GHS, Gettysburg Middle School, and Straban Township for practice fields. An alternate site option is Gettysburg Rec Park with payment. Our game fields for the fall are located at GHS High School (one 8v8 and 11v11 field).

#### 3. FINANCIALS

As of Sep 15<sup>th</sup>: Complex \$250; Jan 1 \$23,470, Income \$600,Expenses 2014 \$23,000 (Water Sys, Oil Tank, Bathroom Leaks, Rodents, Sump, Rot, Septic, Utilities and Taxes for the rental house) Administration \$226,352 Operating \$7,046.00, Pending \$37,285 Elite Deposit, Pending \$8,200 Member Credit Expense (\$100 ea), Reserve \$219,306 (Funds Frozen for Future Use).

# 4. BATTLEFIELD BLAST 2015

Income: Entry Fees \$106,905, Concession Income \$1,993, T-shirts \$1,416, TOTAL \$110,314.50.

Expenses: Referees \$30,810, GASD Donation \$10,000, Oakside Park \$3,500, Elite Mgmt \$18,400, Field Lining \$2,395, Goal Rental \$2,100, Lodging/Meal \$3,152, Awards \$3,138.88, Toilets \$2,940, Athletic Trainers \$4,275, TOTAL \$95,834.95.

Battlefield Blast 2015 (186 Teams Registered) Profit \$16,943.55. Our 7 GYSC teams played for free. \$100 rebate generated per member. GHS Direct Benefit \$21,980. GHS Booster club raised \$4,180. GHS Field Staff \$1,000. GHS Students Paid \$3,300, GHS Donation \$10,000, GHS Field Maintenance Donation \$2,500.

Ideas to boost profits: Club members could volunteer 4 hours to be field marshals. If we have more parent involvement and volunteers, we can take over food vendors and concessions. With more volunteers we could manage t-shirt sales and find more ways to increase tournament attendance.

#### **5. BLUE AND GRAY TOURNAMENT**

Spring 2015 Blue and Gray Tournament was cancelled. We had EPYSA approval/sanctions completed but there was a lack of fields/goals available. GASD granted soccer fields to CGI for 2015 Memorial Day weekend. GYSC could purchase portables goals that would cost \$1,500 a set. We currently have approval for our Battlefield Blast 2016 only from GASD. GHS Graduation is being held, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 (day after Memorial Day Weekend).

### 6. **GYSC LAND SALE**

SOLD for \$240K – Deposit \$219,306.03 (frozen and available only after membership vote)

#### 7. CURRENT SITUATION GYSC

We have no agreements or guaranteed usage with GASD, we share the fields with the community and have no priority for league scheduled games. A partner organization is needed for stability. We currently have two options (GHS and Rec Park). Gettysburg High School has a strong high school soccer program consisting of 80 players. GYSC is feeder program to GHS. A new synthetic turf multi-sport stadium is now at Gettysburg Middle School w/ lights. However, there is not a synthetic turf field at GHS – desired by AD/Admin. GASD still plans to grant CGI equal tournament rights due to donation potential, equality perception and unknown lawsuit results. GASD is open to partnership with GYSC and is eager for capital investment and improvements.

### 8. GYSC-GASD PROPOSED PARTNERSHIP

There is a potential development of joint-use synthetic turf facility at Gettysburg High School with the facility to include existing lighting, restrooms, and concession stand. GASD would control and maintain priority use for school practices and games. GYSC would earn exclusive use of GASD fields for two annual youth soccer tournaments on Memorial Day weekend and the weekend before Labor Day. GYSC earns second priority to GASD for Club practices 5-8pm weekdays and Saturday games (8 weeks fall/8 weeks spring, to include new field and adjacent practice field). The proposed donation would be \$200,000 to GASD upon mutual use agreement, residual tournament donations negotiated annually upon elimination of commercial competitor.

## 9. GYSC REC PARK PROPOSED PARTNERSHIP

Currently, Gettysburg Rec Park has no soccer fields or equipment and the condition of the grass is poor. We do have an offer to pay and play in the front corner near PNC Bank. Gettysburg Rec Park could eliminate the far softball field, move lights, install drainage and seed fields (3). No costs or donations

have been negotiated yet and the community access is questionable. The convenience of restrooms, parking and a concession stand is a bonus.

### 10. GYSC PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS

GYSC would gain a stable and transparent partner with GASD. Our field maintenance would be overseen by GASD with shared equipment, permanent restrooms, field lighting, and concession opportunities. We would have no competition with CGI for tournament space; no competition with AYSO for practice space, adequate parking, and our excess revenue would be productively invested with GASD in the interest and benefit of GYSC.

# 11. CONCLUSION

A draft proposal is needed. Members have 45 days to comment on proposal to Board of Directors. Special membership meeting will be held TBD to vote on the proposal only. Details will be worked out by Board of Directors and GASD.

## 12. BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS

Remaining Members-Jeff Yingling, Erin Aumen, Patty Wivell, and Christie Bach

Departing Members-Mike Floreck

Candidates on the Ballot- Roger Williams, Mark Mc Lean, Phil Biesecker, VACANT, VACANT

The following members were elected to the GYSC Board of Directors with the noted amounts of votes: Mark Mclean (18), Roger Williams (16), Phil Biesecker (16), Anne Cherry (16), and Jeremy Forrer (16).

#### 13. Meeting Adjourned

The GYSC Annual Membership Meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.

Jeffrey Yingling

**Board President** 

Christie Bach

**Board Secretary**