

MYS Board Meeting – September 21, 2023

In Attendance: Louise Waxler, Julie Dabrowski, David Fikes, Ian Harper, Neal Seth, Kate Fisher, Jason Monfort, Paula Abbate, Kate Hance, Alex Hahn

Motion to approve maintaining the number of Directors at 10 – Motion approved

- Would create a larger class that could cause disruption as they off and all need to be replaced at once
- Currently have strong representation in key areas
- Commitment from the Board to not lock in stalemate in the upcoming year

Executive Director Update – Louise Waxler

Travel season

Playmetrics up and running as the new platform

-club centralizing game/practice updates

-potentially adding Playmetrics support to help with uploading and scheduling

1144 Travel Players registered

Healthy Ballers kicked off

Brit-Am potential summer camp; additionally goal-keeping training and camp for consideration

1670 Rec Players registered

Consideration of midweek Soccer tots for U3-U6

Leidos adopt a team is back for fall

W league

Potential investors to take over the team

f/u meeting mid-October to work on securing

Trademark applications for MYS and VA Union FC have been filed with US Patent and Trademark office

Articles of Incorporation accepted

New supervisor for Dranesville District to be elected in November – MYS will reach out to set up a meeting to discuss its contributions within the Dranesville District

Ian Harper's resume was submitted to Supervisor Foust as a potential candidate for appointment to the Fairfax County Fields committee; work with all districts

Festival 9/30 – food truck, Mars giveaways, ice cream from Leidos, inflatables, balloon and face painter artists, Freddy and Sons, the Coder School to be present

Get on the Bus Program

-applied for funding from US Soccer on behalf of VYSA

-want to launch next spring

-\$100K ask US Soccer and \$25K for state over 3 year term

- Should know more Jan/Feb
- Want to launch regardless

Overcome 2 barriers :

- pay to play and cost associated
- transportation to get to practice

After school kids play for 1 hr, healthy snack, homework help, English as a second language, free gear (uniform, ball, cleats), participate in rec

- paid by grant for kids to participate
- potential to ID new players

300 kids just launched in Portland, OR
Launching 50 kids in Vegas this week
Partnered with Dick's Sporting Good – presenting Tim Ryerson with award tomorrow
Giving \$75K to 75 non-profits; giving to Get on the Bus for the state of Nevada
Tim started the program in MD
Will be in 10 states by end of year
Graduate 10K kids by World Cup in 2026

Finance Update – Paula Abbate

Strong finish to FY
Field maintenance contribution goal hit
Books are closed; using new auditor; review year this year
Acct review – spot on with expenses; recommended consideration of wealth management
Still need treasurer on board
Every year we do budget reprojecton in August timeframe

- coach contracts
- league fees increasing
- exceeded financial aid this year; increase by \$10k to get us through Spring

Balance sheet included - \$4.5M in bank
Police up for turf in 2025 – up to \$300K to redo that

Lewinsville Bathroom Project Update

Approached a few banks for line of credit
Pay \$1700 origination fee to get \$350K operating line of credit; not a penalty if we don't use
Manage cash flow better
Will require us to move \$500K to money market with them; currently in operating account
Can pivot to term construction loan
Price has gone up 4x
Potential to just do shelter for the kids and storage
Louise working on taking revised ask to County; will also require permit
Board still supportive; cost not feasible and irresponsible to come from membership

Treasurer Vacancy

Reach out to Ian for more information

