

**ESC SOCCER CLUB**  
**March 21, 2006**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Rodney Armstrong, Marianne Ballard, Dan Crofford, Jimmy Hampton, Terry Harryman, Keith Kersten, Russell Lissuzzo, Scott McLaws, Buzz Moore, Pat Morgan, Lance Nichols, Ashel Richardson, and Parris Sanders

**Guests:** Lance Stewart

**Meeting Opened:** 7:07 pm

**Meeting Minutes:**

February minutes were approved. Motion made by Scott McLaws, seconded by Rodney Armstrong, all approved.

**MEMBER REPORTS**

**President Report:**

**FCSA Board meeting update:**

1. ESC should receive refund of approximately \$751 from Frontier Country due to the resignation of their Director Coaching
2. Day of Champions Tournament
  - a. Tournament is May 12-14<sup>th</sup>; Deadline to register May 2<sup>nd</sup>; No Academy teams allowed
  - b. Day of Champions is the source of funds for FCSA scholarships
  - c. Within the next couple of months, seniors should begin submitting scholarship applications to FCSA
  - d. FCSA has awarded \$87,000 in scholarships over the last 6 years
3. National Workshop Worthwhile
  - a. 2007 Workshop is March 1-4, 2007 in St. Louis
4. Risk Management forms are due
5. Registrar must submit final roster and payment by April 14<sup>th</sup>
6. Encouraged to support MWC recreational tournament to help their club
7. USYSA Coach's Connection
  - a. Club can become member for \$25
  - b. Inform recreational coaches; good information
8. MLS game in Moore on March 25<sup>th</sup> (See Norman Soccer website for more info)
9. FCSA Competitive Committee in need of vice chair and secretary
  - a. Please forward any names to Ron Decker
10. FCSA would like to see TOPS soccer revived

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Report: (via e mail)**

1. Registration Complete
  - a. 1248 recreational players for Spring 2006 season; down 52 players from Fall 2005 season
  - b. 556 players signed up online

**2nd Vice President Report:**

No report.

**Treasurer Report: (via e mail and Pat Morgan)**

1. Discussed and requested that money be moved into interest bearing account
  - a. Requested by Scott that action be taken before next board meeting
2. Dan requesting input for next year's budget (send suggestions to Dan)

**Complex Coordinator Report:**

1. Gates and fencing seem to be working
2. Kids have torn fence up along east side of the complex
  - a. Requested 2 more crawl spaces installed
    - i. Along Field 6
    - ii. Another on Danforth
  - b. Discussion about liability exposure regarding Danforth crawl spaces
    - i. Parris will look into caution signs
3. Mike Fansher is checking with City regarding netting north of Field 2
  - a. Mike seems best "backstop" would be trees
  - b. Discussed about presenting netting to City as child safety/wreck avoidance
4. Preemerge down; fertilizer will be applied at the end of the month
5. South concession stand closed, but large part of recreational league playing on the south end
  - a. Rex is looking into the price of a trailer to have hot food
    - i. Need sink (hot water) to be able to disinfect to serve hot food
  - b. Will have beverage cart available on south side

**Special Projects Coordinator Report:**

No report.

**Competitive Chair Report:**

No report.

**Competitive Coordinator Report:**

No report.

**Recreational Chair Report:**

1. Requested coach contact information from coordinators, so mass communication would be available.
2. Discussed Spring season challenges and lessons learned
  - a. Felt overall improvement over Fall season regarding registration, meetings, team formations, etc.

**Referee Coordinator Report:**

1. No issues, except when refs show up at assigned games, they must be paid whether the game played or not.
  - a. Discussion followed regarding how to best handle the situations where teams don't reschedule games properly

**Recreational Coordinator Reports:**

1. Discussed the issues with reschedules
2. Discussed the U5/U6 age group reschedules
  - a. Different standards for whether to cancel this age group's games
  - b. Coordinators will make the call whether to play or not if complex is open
    - i. Will communicate to Parris, so hotline and website can be updated

### **ESC Administrator Report:**

1. Discussed “series of unfortunate events” that took place weekend of March 18<sup>th</sup>
  - a. Phone line locked up and hotline could not be changed
    - i. Parris is looking into SW Bell for hotline
  - b. Website was updated about complex closing
  - c. Teams will need to contact opposing coach and reschedule March 18<sup>th</sup> games through reschedule process
    - i. No extra weekend to reschedule entire March 18<sup>th</sup> schedule
2. Scheduling been difficult task between ESC events and several other outside organizations needs
3. Discussed concerns regarding the reschedule availability
  - a. Field availability
    - i. Mentioned if teams didn’t practice at complex, field availability would be better for reschedules
  - b. U9/U10 fields now have lights, but Academy uses fields
  - c. Ref availability
4. Parris very pleased with new reschedule page on website
5. 30 high school games (Varsity and JV) will be played at complex
6. Scoreboard up and working, will be used for the first time 3/24/06
  - a. Still need laptop to run message center
    - i. Wired to inside concession stand
    - ii. Need for policy about who runs message center
      - 1) Need to discuss with Ron
  - b. PA still in works for scoreboard
7. Home Depot benches for teams purchased
  - a. Will take time to assemble
8. Parris needs Volunteer Disclosure Forms
  - a. They were due March 1, 2006

### **Director of Coaching Report:**

1. Requesting portable goals and training equipment to keep players from moving goals to stay out of goal mouths
  - a. Would prefer a set of portable goals on every field (probably 6 sets within \$10,000)
2. Field Rental Fees
  - a. Believes 100% should be due November 1<sup>st</sup>
  - b. Difficult to collect 2<sup>nd</sup> installment come spring
  - c. Difficult to track down once team doesn’t need field any longer
3. Tryout dates have been set and submitted to Clint and Greg
  - a. Need field assignments
4. Dates and times for uniform fittings needs to be scheduled with Soccer USA
  - a. All teams transition to NIKE uniforms this year
  - b. Dummy order due 4/1/06 to guarantee uniforms by Beat the Heat
    - i. All coaches have been e mailed; they are notifying Parris of their dummy order
5. Discussion about rec uniforms because Adidas uniform has been discontinued
  - a. Hampton has priced Nike kit and provided information to Matt Swanson and James Soesbee
    - i. Nike kit cheaper than Adidas
    - ii. Receive kickback in gear from Nike
      - 1) Maybe look at using for shirts for volunteer coaches or providing balls to kids, etc.
6. Discussed about ESC joining US Club Soccer in addition to USYS
  - a. Cost is one time fee of \$1,000 to club
  - b. Kids then can register individually with US Club Soccer
  - c. Opens up more avenues for kids
    - i. Most tournaments accept US Club soccer registrations for younger kids
    - ii. Academy teams benefit the most
  - d. Doesn’t take place of OSA or FCSA

- e. Most major clubs in the nation involved with US Club Soccer

**Old Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

1. Motion made to approve ESC 2006-2007 competitive coaching list pending subsequent review of new coach's bios by competitive committee. Motion made by Russell Lissuzzo, seconded by Keith Kersten, all approved, none opposed.
2. Recreational uniform situation for Fall 2006 season discussed. Nike kit priced out at about \$38, if used Nike t shirt with ESC logo, kit would be less than \$30. Decided to table to next meeting.
3. Suggestions made regarding recreational scheduling in the future
  - a. Do not schedule either weekend of Spring Break
  - b. Schedule through the Day of Champions

**Meeting Adjourned:** 9:51 p.m.