

NVSA Executive Meeting
Ruby Tuesdays, Alexandria, VA
1/25/11 7:10pm

In attendance: Lou, Sharon, Phil, Marvin, Babette, Sarah

I. Finance (and handouts from Babette)

- a. We will be moving to Active Sports/Club Spaces (active.com) for registration
 - i. One person can register two people at once
- b. 2% merchant fees will be less than the \$5 total fee players were paying through Demosphere
 - i. Merchant fee would be closer to \$2.50
 - ii. Looks like we will be saving \$5000 overall
- c. Babette and Lou will do demo (to check it out before switching)
- d. Proposed 2011 fee: \$85 for first team (plus \$20 for new registrations)
 - i. Babette proposes raising second team fee to \$75 (was \$65)
 - ii. Pros:
 1. represents work being done for 2nd team
 2. could cover new expenses
 3. could cut down on player sharing (which captains complain about)
 - iii. Cons:
 1. Would hear complaints from players (let them get used to new system)
- e. It was discussed and approved that the fees for spring 2011 remain the same as fall 2010. i.e. - New player \$20 + \$85, 1st team registration - \$85, and additional team registrations - \$65.
 - i. If needed, we could increase the second team fee but after reviewing Philip's numbers, the final decision was no change is necessary.
- f. Most of budget for this season is accounted for - \$127,000 expected for expenses
- g. We still have money in the budget for ref mentors, field lining
 - i. Lou wants to have a ref meeting
- h. Phil - Should we discuss payment system with captains?
 - i. Sarah – let system ride for at least a year
- i. Phil – how to formalize structuring of pro-rating late season additions?

(break for dinner)

- j. Forfeits – after 2nd one-
 - i. 2 days for execs to notify team
 - ii. team must pay within 15 days or be taken off the schedule
 - iii. we need to define “forfeit” (notice or not – same thing?)
 - iv. Announce at captains meeting
 - v. Note: e-mails need to be sent to everyone so that board is in the loop

II. Registration

- a. Still \$105 for new players (two different transactions)
- b. Returning players should already be recognized by system
- c. Phil – registration will expire Aug. 31st, but we will start registration in July –
 - i. Babette will ask how to handle this during demo

III. Missing equipment at fields

- a. Some people are not “buying into” the league as a group that we all take care of
- b. Some captains may be getting confused by which fields need “maintenance”
 - i. Phil – place info on website
- c. Charge teams for missing equipment?
- d. Give someone the job of replenishing equipment (outside of exec. board)
- e. Lou will change combos
- f. Not worth buying new flag bases as no one seems to be using them

IV. League Roster

- a. Deltek out; Militia in
- b. 14 teams for D5 - separate into conferences again
- c. Cheeky Donks to D3
- d. Possums & Purple Cobras merged
- e. La Legge to D4
- f. 3 possible teams to be added including Sharon & Marvin's and a Masters team
 - i. Make a Master's division of 9 teams or wait until we get 10?
 - ii. Continue to promote & expand the division (especially women)
 - iii. 14 or 12 games for Masters?

V. Jobs to be Done (Note: create e-mail list that everyone will be on)

- a. Equipment manager (or field lining) – outside board or “hire” someone?
- b. Marketing (Sam?)
- c. County Communication (ex. monthly soccer council meetings)
- d. Phil – could we create a list of measureable jobs that a person could earn “free season” after work is done or whatnot
- e. Create list of “Volunteer Options” on website, on registration site, and blast league
- f. Sharon could all execs have cards to streamline getting jobs done?
 - i. Phil just asks that we inform him before making purchases so he can cross-reference with statements (they are debit cards)
- g. Sharon - Costco membership – business account?
 - i. Sharon will contact Marika to ask details and get cards for board
- h. Sharon - we need a clear sub policy on website
 - i. Player must already be fully registered for one team in the league
 - ii. Player can't play 4th game without fully registering (and paying) with that team they've subbed for
 - iii. How to prevent a player from subbing on two teams in the same division?
 1. There needs to be a technical “block” to that
 2. Remind captains that if a player is caught, the game could be forfeited
- i. Babette's new job will not allow her to approve players until between 5:30 and 6:30pm
 - i. Babette needs to inform captains of this as a rule

VI . Other Business

- A. (from previous meeting)Marketing and Exec board responsibilities – see “Jobs to Be Done”
- B. (from previous meeting) Unstable Rosters – Deltek and Purple Cobra issues already dealt with earlier in minutes
- C. Phil – Tournament
 - a. start with 3 v. 3 – day-long tourney
 - b. need a way to benefit/contribute to community (doesn't need to benefit NVASA specifically)
 - c. need someone within the league with experience in fundraising/event planning/charity work
 - d. “Sports for Nature” format?
- D. Proposals for Captains Meeting
 - a. need to announce Relegation/Promotion (see previous minutes) – Lou writing up proposed language
 - b. Player wants to propose ban of Premiere/D1 players from D5
 - c. player wants to ban metal cleats
 - d. player wants to make exec board exempt from player fees (execs play for free)

meeting adjourned at 9:04pm