

GACSL Captain's Meeting
August 25, 2012
6:00 p.m.
Noonday Park Field House

The meeting was called to order by Jen Erdmann, President, at 6 p.m.

Jen discussed a staff change. The decision had been made not to renew Tammy Lerner's contract as registrar. Jurgen Hastor had agreed to take the position as unpaid registrar.

Jurgen pointed out that it is important that players sign waivers when registering. If they register online, they need to sign the waiver. If they pay at the field, the captain must have them sign a paper waiver. The form should be available for download on the GA soccer website.

Jen reports that there may soon be a mobile app for doing registrations at the field.

Jen announced that there was a change in state registration fees. We had the option of choosing whether to have medical coverage included. The board made the decision to keep medical coverage. Fees have been reduced to \$20 per player for insurance.

Cobb Soccer update. Renovations for Noonday Park field 1-6 will happen first. This is related to the SPLOST funds for new lights, sod, field renovations, new field house, etc. A contractor is currently being selected with work slated to begin in December and lasting for six months. Afterwards, fields 9-12 will be closed for repairs. Fields 7, 8, and 13 will also be renovated if the money lasts.

Because we are the smallest league in Cobb County, we always get last draw for field assignments. Still, we can usually get one or two fields in spring and fall. If fields can't be found for other seasons, we may have to use private fields or look at inter-scheduling with other leagues.

7-a-side report

Jurgen reported that we have 11 teams for fall and he plans to have a 10 game schedule beginning September 8. Registration will be open 7 days before the 1st game and the schedule should be out on the Wednesday before the first game.

D & P Report

Jessi Beyer reported that there had been two yellow cards and 1 red card issued. One injury had occurred on the Purple Cobras and Jen had provided insurance information. Everyone was reminded to always get the referee's report when there is an injury and make sure the injury is recorded.

Treasurer's Report

Maureen Torkos, Treasurer, reported that we will use all of our savings to pay owed money.

Jurgen suggested not paying what we owe Tammy Lerner until she provides us with the password to GACSLregistration@gmail.com.

Secretary Report

Marguerite Radatz, Secretary, made a motion to have minutes from last minute approved. Motion was seconded and approved.

There was discussion of placement of ads, Facebook communication, and other ways to find new players.

Old Business

We have had fewer issues with paying captain's fees because we have a stronger financial status now. We have fewer issues with team fees as well now that registration issues have improved.

New Business

There was discussion of whether the by-laws should be changed to allow players as young as 25 to participate in the 7-a-side division.

Freedom team indicated that they may leave the league if this passes as the over 30 designation was one of the reasons they play here.

Kerri Schmitt indicated that she did not think we should allow this change.

Ohana team said they were also against this change and were waiting to hear results of the vote before deciding whether to enter a team for fall.

Discussion ensued with the general consensus being that most teams were not in favor of making a change to allow younger players to participate. No vote was called for.

A decision was made to form a committee to look at ways to attract more female players to our league and specifically the 7-a-side division. Paulina Bandoly and Kerri Schmitt agreed to take on this task.

Elections

Jen Erdmann announced that she had reached a decision to step down as GACSL President.

Elections were held for new officers. The results were:

Bill Hardage, President
Jurgen Hastor, VP of 7-a-side
Jessica Hirsch, VP of 11-a-side
Marguerite Radatz, Secretary
Maureen Torkos, Treasurer
Jessi Beyer, VP of D & P

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Marguerite Radatz, GACSL Secretary