Waterloo Rugby Club 2018 Board Meeting

In-person Meeting

Sunday Apr 15th, 2018: 3:00pm

14 Erb St W, Waterloo

Meeting open 3:15 pm

Minutes of March meeting approved by all

Finance review

- Eric core paid off
- \$6200 in bank account

Registration membership

- 53 players registered across board
- Web site cleaned up
 - When a player registers they are added as a player to the website making it better for coaches to see who has actually paid their dues and eligible to pay
- Eric to send out another message to groups to get registered
- Eric suggesting to place player pictures in player profiles on website
 - o Website player profiles only open to members to see

Clubhouse/field/Social

- Discussion in camera
- 2018 field bookings Roger's fields booked
 - Thursday night games for men and women on May 17 are likely to be booked for BCI and WCI fields
 - July 7 rogers not available so likely to book all games at BCI
 - Action item: book porta potty to stay at BCI
- Social locations
 - Edelweiss and Moosewinooskies options
 - Kyle to look into Moose
 - Greg to look into the Edeilweiss and Stark Perry
 - Proposed by Eric to stay at rogers and use their BBQs
 - Noted that it can be quite crowed with the baseball teams already
 - o BCI and WCI games could be held at Stark and Perrys May 17

Colts Academy

- Did not successfully finish
- No involvement with the club

Coach Meeting

- Went well
- Grahame to organize the next meeting
- Good attendance at the latest level 2 course
- Level 2 referees course coming up
 - Only course in Ontario is coming
- Growing game workshop Brantford

Senior Men - Kyle

- Coaching Proposal
 - Done by a council of players for this year
 - Will need someone with a qualified level 2 to sign game sheets
- Winter Training / Pre-Season
 - Would like to try to be outside next Saturday depending on weather
 - Core still available if the weather will not allow outside
- Equipment needs
 - Nothing particular needed right now
- Knaves
 - o Are they going to compete in the NRU?
 - Should put a deadline some time in April to let NRU know whether team will be registered
 - Send a request to the team to register if they are going to be playing so have an idea of numbers and whether should be registering in NRU C
 - Has been questions from players whether this team is even being put through
 - It may not be in a league but club would ensure that this team will come together and will for sure at least be a social team
 - Based on registration numbers will depend whether in a league or social
 - o Deadline of May 13, 2018 to make decision whether Knaves in a league or Social team
- Licve Well Health and Physio contacted Kyle about providing reduced rates to sports teams
 - o If this is not conflicting against Katie Mitchell's then place this notive on the webiste

Senior Women - Allie

- Winter Training / Pre-Season
- Equipment needs
 - o Scrum machine fixed eric to fix April 28 to fixed
- Coaches to get bci shed key
- To buy new pinneys allocate to each team coach to be held by coach and designated to clean
- Possible travel budget for each team for coaches to use as they see fit for the season

- Dawkins to get coach bus quotes
- Would like to buy a sun shade for the side of the field to use during game day
 - o Grahame to go to Barbarian to see if can order these there
 - To also check on team bag requests and socks that specifically say 1st team
 - Registered players are to get socks rather than t-shirts with registration

Team kit

- Senior men and all women's team kits complete
- No kit available for u15 boys

Juniors/Minors – Josh

- Josh not at meeting will get notes at next meeting
- Equipment Needs
 - Grahame to get requests from Rowland

Sponsorship / Marketing - Greg

- Talking to Stark and Perry, 4 Fathers Brewery, Timeless materials about sponsorship
- Talk to Somersby for possible sponsorship
 - Will place branding on kit, website or team hoodies depending how much company willing to donate
 - To redevelop a sponsorship scale and package to lay out the threshold as to what sponsorship will get for their donation
- Survey Feedback
 - o 6 responses 5 men and 1 women
 - o To forward data to Greg to develop options to bring to the board

Website

- To add Kyle and Dawkins as webmasters

Player Payment Plan

- Motion to implement a simple payment plan option for Senior Men and Women and U19's for the 2018 Season.
- Proposing this in light of the very last minute Rugby Canada/Rugby Ontario dues increase.

Senior Men's and Women's Board Reps (Kyle and Allie) plus Junior Board Rep (Josh) may choose to offer this option only. Everyone (that means us all) must pass players to one of the above Board Reps so we don't lose control of this. If a player is offered this choice the Board Rep will provide them a Discount Code (obtained from Eric) and an agreement with the Club to sign (to be prepared by Eric) Players then register as normal but only pay \$200 to register online and enter the discount code. They then sign an agreement with the Club to pay the Club a further \$100 at the end of May (\$75 if U19) and \$100 at the end of June (\$75 if U19). These payment are made directly to the Club through the Board Rep. Missing a payment means the player is ineligible for selection until the debt is settled. Bad debts will not be tolerated and the Player in such a circumstance will be placed on a 'not in good standing' register shared with Rugby Ontario.

- Motion proposed by Eric, seconded by Allie. In favour Kyle, Josh and Greg. President vote not required. Motion carried.

Action Log

- Rent port-a-poty for BCI Eric
- May 13, 2018 to make decision whether Knaves in a league or Social team
- Grahame to contact Barbarian to check order of team bags, socks and possible sun shades
- Kyle to get team manager for senior men
- Grahame to add web store on website to sell Barbarian team clothes
- Sponsors brief provide by Dawkins
 - o Dawkins to talk to Lions whether sponsorship \$5000 or \$4000
- Eric to add Kyle and Dawkins as webmasters
- Social locations to be secured
- Scrum machine maintenance eric
- Bibs for both senior teams eric
- Dawkins to review branding suggestions and bring options to next board meeting

AOB

- No
- Next meeting suggested May 6, 2018 at 3 pm

Close – 4:35 pm