

**INVER GROVE HEIGHTS SOCCER ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

August 2, 2020 6:00 p.m.
Virtual – ViaTeams

Name	Attended	Name	Attended
Vacant: Boys' Coordinator		Spiewak, Brian: Treasurer	Y
Boughton, Dan: Girls' Coordinator	N	Kryzer, Erin: Uniforms and Equipment	Y
Dayus, Westley: Director of Development	Y	Peterson, Jessica: Secretary	N
Deutsch, Larry: Website	Y	Rojas-Cardona, Gabriel: President	Y
Eckstrom, Julie: Vice President	Y	Somvong, Deanna: Fundraiser Coordinator	Y
Fredeen, Jon: Registrar	Y	Spiewak, Brian: Risk Coordinator	Y
Gullerud, Joe: Field Coordinator	N	Tambornino, Peg: Gaming Coordinator	N
Hatcher, Trina: Communications Coordinator	Y		
MEETING GUESTS:			

Begin Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes: Motion, 2nd. Approved.

Reviewed July, 2020 board meeting minutes. Brian Motion, Julie 2nd, Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Brian Spiewak

- Statement: Balance as of 7/31/20 = \$42,935.72
- Approval: Julie motioned, Deanna 2nd. Approved.
- Brian asked if anyone would mind if the Heat account was switched to TCF (more convenient and less fees). Everyone was ok with the switch.

President's Updates: Gabe

- No report other than MYSA updates (forwarded).
- Question came up regarding payment of Referee Coordinator due to the shortened season. Gabe will contact Jared and discuss a prorated payment.

Training and Development: Westley:

- Westley sent email with notes to the Board.
- We will ask Joe to request school Gyms time early and procure as much as possible.

IGH Training Updates (June and July)

Training facilities have begun to open, and the City have agreed to work with us on needs for fields and marking of the fields as and when our season begins.

Mowing and Maintenance began in early May to get ready for IGH Heat use in June. Joe has continued to work with the city to secure what is needed for our return to play training sessions or summer training sessions to be successful.

Thank to Al and Julie for being so proactive and helping us to move forward.

IGH Heat Coaches Updates

All coaches have been supplied with the return to play information supplied by MYSA and TCSL.

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We will begin with phase 2 in June, so limited contact in practice and small PODs of players and will then move to Phase 3 in July.

Brian and Julie have supplied each coach with masks if required, hand sanitizer, and some spray disinfectant so we can follow the protocols in place and keep our players, coaches, and managers safe. Emails have been sent on all requirements that coaches must follow before and after their session, that information has also been shared to parents' players and managers.

JULY UPDATE

Unfortunately we have lost 3 coaches and may lose more from the program this year [See original notes for coaches affected.]

IGH Team Updates

Players have returned to practice sessions, however we only had 97 players return or opt in to our training program so teams have been merged by age groups.

We have around 4-5 coaches working during the summer and payments will be processed at the end of July.

We did add some extra players to our training rosters after we provided folks with updated information, which was great to see.

We have begun Team Formations and will review our teams at our special August board meeting.

Park and Rec Updates

Summer Sparks and Flames will begin in July on a reduced schedule and a reduce staff. Registrations are at around 16 players from age 5 to 8.

P and R have merged the sessions and found a head trainer to assist with the program as I will be unavailable due to coaching the summer training sessions at Heat.

We will look to continue with the Fall Rec program is numbers allow, however my availability is in question. I have communicated this with P and R just to keep them informed of the situation. We may need to find a coach or two to help or rely on P and R volunteers.

I will catch up with Al and try and plan a zoom meeting after Aug 8th, 2020

MYSA Updates

MYSA has and will continue to host conference calls, send emails as and when needed to keep the soccer community updated on any decisions it makes regarding any updates to the Return to Play Protocol.

Their hope is that they will have some form of Fall season and that information will be shared towards the end of July.

I would imagine that we will get a new set of guidelines as we move into the fall season. Cam has also left the organization and Gabe sent a thank you note for his help over the last few seasons.

JULY UPDATE Fall items have been shared and posted on the MYSA Website, including start and end dates, they can be found on the MYSA calendar of events.

MYSA has also started a new Development Pass for U9/U10 teams to organize and built leagues within there own communities.

That information can also be found on the MYSA website.

IGH Fields

With Fall around the corner we need to communicate with the City to find out the field availability. I am not sure if we will have any fall teams, but this should be done just incase as soon as we can.

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Items of Note

Current Climate of the Program

As we are all aware numbers for the program have been reduced by almost 50%, and our gaming revenue has also been affected.

I plan to meet with Brian S on Monday evening to look at the budget and what we can and cannot achieve for our members in 2021.

Once I know the amount, we must work with I can look at moving sessions around or cutting hours to make the budget every month.

That would also mean a reduction in admin time and practice time from me.

I also understand that with any reduction in fees comes a reduction in what we can do as a club, namely my roles and responsibilities throughout the program, and what training we can continue to put in place.

My plan once I've spoken to Brian, is to see what we can do to change some items of the program, maybe moving all paid coach practices out to March and allowing me to host team training during the months of November through March to keep those team we have busy.

We can also look at a reduction in the amount of space and time we book through the city, and depending on the way school goes gym practices spaces may not be an option or maybe booked for only school events, and the armory may be our only option if it too stays open or is available for rent. That way we still offer programs for those involved but tailoring them to suit our budget, and in the end the numbers of players we have.

My hope is to come up with a formal plan of action to present to the board as soon as I can with as many possible scenarios I can find.

Fall Covid Updates

Trina shared a document with us all a week back regarding the Fall Covid plan or the changes to the Return to Play protocol that will take place for MYSA and TCSL Fall soccer.

It does show a field layout for any games that may take place.

Once we get teams set then we should have that posted on our website and shared with parents. Its vitally important if we have fall teams that we get that information out and the community knows how the games will look.

Registration: Jon:

- No additional items to discuss

Charitable Gaming: Peg

- No report.

Communications Coordinator: Trina:

- Sending out communications as required/requested.

Vice President: Julie:

- No items to report.

Website Coordinator: Larry:

- Working on setting up the generic Heat Board emails so they are forwarded to our personal emails..

Boys' Coordinator: Vacant spot

- N/A

Girls' Coordinator: Dan Boughton:

- No report.

Referees: Jared

- No report.

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Field Coordinator: Joe:

- No report.

Risk Coordinator: Brian:

- Nothing to report.
- Board members thanked Brian for his handling of the COVID-19 items reported and the coordination with MYSA

Uniforms and Equipment: Erin:

- Will connect with Julie on transitioning the Equipment Coordination functions.

Fundraising: Deanna

- Nothing to report
- Board noted that due to no gaming revenue, it may be necessary to do more fundraisers for the association.

Secretary: Jessica:

- No report.

6:55 p.m. Adjourned Meeting