Fusion February Board Meeting 03/16/2025 @ 8 pm at Local 701

Attendance:

Jeremy, Tim, Jamie, Lexi

Absent: Jennifer

Guest: Nicole Drylie, Alex Mork, LaShelle Thomas, April Wilson

Agenda:

Motion to approve agenda was made by Lexi, seconded by Jeremy and approved unanimously

Prior Meeting Minutes for January 2025:

Motion to approve minutes was made by Lexi, seconded by Tim and approved unanimously

Prior Meeting Minutes for February 2025:

Motion to approve minutes was made by Lexi, seconded by Tim and approved unanimously

Treasurer Report for March 2025:

Motion to approve minutes was made by Tim, seconded by Jeremy and approved unanimously

Tim and board discussed setting aside fundraiser funds and sponsorship funds in a separate account for capital projects and designation

Board Members:

April Wilson expressed interest in filling a Board Member spot and the Treasurer officer position. Motion was made by Jeremy, seconded by Lexi and passed unanimously. Western States Bank will be contacted to transfer from Nate Haaland to April Wilson. Tim Gauer will remain on account information as part of his Vice President responsibility.

LaShelle Thomas expressed interest in filling a Board Member spot. Motion was made by Tim, seconded by Lexi and passed unanimously.

Katelyn Pavey Camp:

Fargo Sports Center has held May 9th for the movie night and May 10th for the event. Lauren and Jamie are proposing:

- 1. Use this event as the first official event for West Fargo Softball
- 2. Keep price at \$95 with hopes of 50 camp participants
- 3. Split expenses evenly between West Fargo United and West Fargo Fusion
- 4. Set aside any profit for the new organization
- 5. Create flyer with approved Pavey graphics and use community resources to publicize
- 6. Offer two sessions

Motion made by Lexi to accept the above proposal with a written agreement between United and Fusion on expenses, seconded by Tim and passed unanimously

Parent Coaches:

Discussion around parent coaches and salary: other organizations do not pay coaches, parents are already offering to help, money could be used to recruit strong coaches from college players and others, money could be set aside for capital projects. Motion made by Tim for rec league parent coaches to be volunteers and not receive financial compensation, seconded by April and passed unanimously.

Travel team discussion is in a previous fall discussion. Travel team salary looked at separately.

Board Access:

Tim wondered about access to all platforms via usernames and passwords. Jeanie has that list and passed it along to Tim and the new Treasurer.

Sponsorship Funds:

Discussion around keeping any extra funds set aside for capital projects, immediate needs, and savings.

Motion made by Tim that all available sponsorship funds after player portions have been applied be set aside in a separate account, seconded by LaShelle, passed unanimously.

Travel Team Uniform Committee:

LaShelle Thomas and Nicole Drylie presented the committee's proposal regarding travel team uniform consideration with a one-year plan:

- 1. Eight players have full returning sets
- 2. Everyone else will need to purchase for one year prior to the reorganization branding
- 3. Uniform pieces: Powder blue pants

Pinstripe pants

Grey pants

Light Blue league jersey

White jersey top

Socks and belts

- 4. Total cost would be around \$225 and charge families \$200
- 5. Team designated fundraiser funds have half go back to team for team bonding event and the other half be split amongst players towards their Katelyn Pavey Camp fee

Motion made by LaShelle to accept the above proposal, seconded by Jeremy and passed unanimously

Travel Team Special Player Request:

Teagan Wilson's family has requested that she be offered a spot on the 10U Grey team from 8U Rec League. Discussion regarding skills, safety, open roster spots. Motion made by Lexi to offer her a roster spot on 10U Grey, seconded by Jeremy and passed unanimously.

Horace Parks:

Jeremy gave an update:

- 1. Shed is done and equipment moved into the new shed at Freed
- 2. Board was asked to consider letting Fusion use the dirt area for 8U practices this summer
- 3. Proposed usage schedule will be presented at their March 24th meeting
- 4. Jack Dwyer (developer) shared at the last meeting that the proposed softball complex will not be built until 2028

5. Jeremy will be having a meeting with Justin and Wade on naming rights for fields to get the conversation started

Spring Ball:

Jamie shared that numbers are uncertain as about 30 players are trying out for high school roster spots. Board decided to run practices as scheduled for now and make a quick decision once families were notified about high school rosters.

Pre-Season Skill Sessions for 5th grade and younger:

Jamie shared that Fusion still has turf space reserved on Sundays until April 13th for the younger players. Motion made by LaShelle to offer sessions at \$50 per player, seconded by April and passed unanimously.

Motion made by Jeremy to pay a coach \$15 per hour to facilitate skill sessions, seconded by Tim and passed unanimously.

Jamie will get registration up immediately and out to families.

Facilities/Events Pillar:

Jeremy updated that our request is being reviewed for Horace High School field usage. Jeremy and Tim shared that the equipment is looking good and there will be limited needs for this season. Motion made by Tim to authorize up to \$2500 of equipment purchased as Jeremy saw fit based upon needs, seconded by April and passed unanimously.

Fusion Pride Pillar:

Jamie, Nicole, Stacy, and LaShelle will work on trading pin design with company.

New Business:

There was no new business

Discussion of moving meeting date from Easter weekend.

Motion to adjourn by Tim and seconded by LaShelle. Adjourned.

Next Board Meeting: Next meeting is scheduled for April 13th at aa am at The Local 701.