

**Minutes of September 24, 2008
Fremont Emeralds Board Meeting**

In Attendance:

Kari Durbin, Deb Streacker, Jacque Foos, Eric Black

Meeting Convened: 6:00 p.m.

Topics discussed

1. Treasurer's Report
2. Secretary's Report
3. Fundraisers/Sponsorship
4. ESSL
5. Webmaster
6. Team Representatives
7. Coaches Advisory Board
8. Old Business
9. New Business

In-Depth Notes

Motion to approve minutes as read: Kari D.

Seconded: Eric Black

Approved: 4

Opposed: 0

1. **Treasurer's Report** – information compiled by Jacque Foos.

Checking

Beginning balance 7/31/08	\$3,708.69
Deposits	\$3,009.31
Payments	\$ 316.73
Ending Balance 4/30/08	\$6,401.27

Savings

Beginning balance 12/30/07	\$2,954.41
Quarterly Interest Deposit (Mar Jun, Sep, Dec.)	1.47
Ending Balance 9/28/07	\$2,955.88

Certificate Program (Goal is \$5,000)

Kroger Gift Certificate Program - \$3,454.00 loaded - \$5,000 goal**2. Secretary's Report**

- a. Nothing to report

3. Fundraisers/Sponsorship

- a. Little Caesar's pizza - \$750.00 profit
- b. Candy bar fundraiser – **NEED DATES**
 - i. Will parents be receptive to paying for box upfront?
 - ii. Kari D. to call Fremont Candy & Cigar

4. ESSL

Eric explained that Choice Point (background check system) information has been completed and sent back to ESSL President. Coaches input information online and Choice Point reports to President/ESSL Rep as to status of report. If bad, coach can appeal. This negates FBI/BCI checks.

Questions Answered:

- 1) Why weekday games – ESSL's reasons: so many teams, so many games, limited fields.
- 2) Random Tournament Invites – by invitation only, few spots left, and just randomly called. End of season tournament is for entire league.
- 3) Why 12 games instead of 10? - 12 Games instead of 10 for younger teams, U12's have always had U12.

Referees Clinic – Emeralds can host, we give him time, date, place. Investigate players that might be refs. Set date in December. Check on whether or not a certified referee can conduct the class. Possibly host class at SJCC.

5. Webmaster

- Δ Add Statistician to Volunteer Form on website

6. Coaches Advisory Board

Nothing to report.

7. Old Business

- Δ Ebay Jerseys - \$57.80 (7 sold)
- a. SAY Grant – pursue this in the spring when we have higher numbers.

8. Publicity

Nothing to report.

9. New Business**Δ General Discussion**

- a. Propose that we amend player eligibility to those who are not committed to another sport w/ same practice days, etc. – concern that we would eliminate potential players by making them choose. Still a concern over many players missing practices/games due to involvement in other fall sports simultaneous w/ soccer.
- b. Reinstate U6 program – Jeff Mosser and Eric Black will coach 2 of those teams
- c. U6 flyer and contact LeagueOne to get U6 reg form online
 - i. increase fee to \$27.97 (+\$3.03 transaction fee)
 - ii. t-shirt added
- d. Need enough regular flyers to send to Tiffin/Old Fort
- e. Pictures in
- f. Annette Hossler – donated uniform and 2 pairs of cleats.
- g. John Shetzer – donated \$100
- h. **Columbus Crew** – offered special pricing on final game – (put on website?)
 - Δ Possibility of attending a crew mini-game during half-time
 - Δ Can book a game in February.
 - Δ Offer this as an incentive for older teams (to keep them in club)
- i. Players missing practices and games
 - √ Don't want to exclude players, but want to create a sense of commitment
- j. **Parent Etiquette** – confronting coaches, not calling Coach when a player can't make practice, not being on time for games/practices.
- k. Deb suggests that we offer scholarships to increase numbers in club
 - i. based on financial need
 - ii. would offer to as many kids as funds available
 - iii. "Refer-A-Friend" incentive – soccer balls, or water bottles t-shirts

John White – needs thank you for donating BCI/FBI fees

Δ Next board meeting: October 22, 2008, 5:30 at SJCC

Motion to Adjourn Meeting: Deb Streacker

Seconded: Jacque Foos

Favor: 4

Opposed: 0

Meeting Adjourned: 7:42 p.m.

