

## WSSL BoD Meeting Minutes - 11/6/2024

Attendees: John S. Bill L. Andy J., Joanne W-F, Ben D. And Steve C.

Venue: Brickhouse Tavern

The meeting commenced with a discussion of the latest status of the League's AEDs and the interest in finding a suitable AED/CPR familiarization course through a local government emergency services entity. Options were discussed with Williamsburg City assessed as a non-option due to their program's cost and time demands.

The board next turned to the two division presidents to provide an overall assessment of the 2024 season for each. Bill L. offered that he considered the Jamestown Division's season to have been an unqualified success, to include the post-season tournament. It was mentioned that the only notable concern within the division was for the unsanctioned use of city fields by WSSL players. It was agreed that, while the excellent relations the League enjoys with the City remain despite these occasions, the risk of endangering this relationship was simply too great to overlook. It was assessed that now, and into the foreseeable future, there really aren't suitable options available to us outside of the City. It was further agreed that a notification email would go out to all League members addressing these incidents and the larger concerns of our relationship with our host.

Andy J. followed by assessing the Yorktown Division's season as very successful and largely uneventful, to include the in-season and post-season tournaments. It was noted that the late decision to go with 14 player rosters for the five teams largely worked out, particularly for teams that dealt with player injuries that resulted in prolonged absences from play.

The next topic addressed potential recruiting strategies for 2025 play. Setting up another Facebook campaign was discussed with the matter left as TBD.

Ongoing preparations for the 16 November end of year party were discussed. It was noted that 82 RSVPs had been received to date with additional RSVPs expected. It was agreed that the number 100 would be used with the caterer with an update expected a few days prior to the event as things firmed up. John S. will send another League-wide email out reminding all about the event.

The Board next turned to the topic of preparations for the upcoming Annual Meeting as well as the associated board election for the positions of Commissioner, Treasurer, and Communications Director. Steve C. advised that a small number of nominations had been received to date, with the formal nomination window opening 11 November and ending on the 24th of November. John S. advised that he would include another reminder for the meeting and the election in his next update, to include information about the post-meeting lunch to be held at Revolution Golf.

The last topic of discussion addressed the preparations and arrangements for the Christmas parade. It was noted that the band "Identity Crisis" would again accompany the League in the parade in the same fashion as last year.

The next Board meeting will be held on 5 December at the WISC immediately prior to the Annual Meeting commences.