May 1, 2019

CSA Board Meeting Minutes

Attendees (in person): Candy Brooks, Adam Hayes, Peter Mason, Emile Reed, Jeff Ruebel, Nate Shotts, Marley Wilson

Attendees (by phone): Aldo DelPiccolo, Stephanie Gabbert, Said Mossavian, Jared Spires, Steve White

Call to Order: 6:05PM

Foothills SC
Discussion of Appeal of Membership Committee’s Decision to Decline Membership for 2019-20 season.
- Peter Jeans communicated to CSA about dropping or postponing appeal due to inability to meet membership criteria with consideration of revisiting application for spring 2020.
- CSA communicated willingness to review in time for spring 2020
- Following discussion, decision made to table vote until after outcome of situation with Colorado Rush.

Fee Increases – USYS and CRC CSA
Discussion around increases in USYS player registration fees (CSA has paid $0.50 more per player to USYS for 2018-19 to USYS with increase to $1.25 per player for 2019-20) and how to cover the increase without putting undue financial pressure on clubs.
- Suggestion to use money from CSA reserves/investments to cover the costs without deferring costs to the clubs
- Suggestion to build the increase cost into the 2019-20 CSA budget and communicating the increase to clubs between July 1 and January 2020
- Discussion around the proposed increased from CRC of $25/game for older age group and higher-level matches.
- Discussion around longer term forecast of impending fee increases for CSA

Colorado Elevations FC
Discussion of Appeal of Membership Committee’s Decision to Decline Membership for 2019-20 season.
- Present on behalf of Colorado Elevations FC: Mark Ashouri (CEO-President), Eric Krell (Board Director), Felipe Quiroj (Director of Coaching) and Lara Callas (Board Secretary)
- Discussion around club origins, player development philosophy, field locations for training sessions and matches, current programming, coaching staff, referee assigning and 501(c)3 status
- Questions shared by CSA Board Members regarding current Board of Directors information missing from website, transparency of financial statements and relationship with Guadalajara
- Discussion from club staff about intention to join Colorado Rush should CSA not allow sanctioning for 2019-20 season.

Motion to accept the recommendation to membership committee regarding CO Elevation FC. Voting results:

Yes – 5; No – 3; Abstain – 0

Motion Passes

**Colorado Rush**

Per CSA’s request to Colorado Rush, a notebook of information was provided with club information and limited financial documentation.

- Discussion about specifics of information received
- Board decides the next step is to send follow-up communication to Colorado Rush with more specific requests and questions. Deadline to provide to CSA is May 8.

Board votes unanimously to adjourn.

Adjourned at: 9:12PM

Submitted by: Adam Hayes