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MINUTES

05/27/2026
Time: 7:30 PM
Location: Ransom District Library

- **Call to Order 7:37**
  - ***Board members****: Amber Green, Heidi Falkenstein, Andrew Kuipers, Sarah DeJonge, Kristin Anderson, Rebecca Bilodeau, Tony McNeel, Virtual - Mandi Quigley*
  - ***Missing: Joe Gibson, Joe Clemens, Travis Timmons, Kate Amaezechi***

- ***Action item: Approval of Minutes/Summary from 04/29/2026 Meeting:***
  - **Motion: Heidi, second by Amber, All in Favor, Zero Opposed,**

- **Public Comment: 3 minutes (maximum 15 minutes)**

- **Agenda Amendments/Additions**
  - Request to rent field for upcoming event
  - Tony and Andrew will test out a new robot from Ace Hardware to line the fields.
  - Andrew and Tony will figure it out and charge the cost to paint or $300, whatever is greater.

- **New Business**
  - **Coaching Coordinator: Position name change vote (Tony)**
    - Motion proposed by Andrew Kuipers to change position name from coaching coordinator to director of coaching
    - Second by Mandi Quigley
    - All in favor, zero opposed, motion passed
  - **Insurance Claim update: (Heidi)**
    - Heidi received a letter of action items to be done within 90 days
    - Claim is for 3 goals, 4 nets at game fields (3 11v11, 1 9v9), all 11v11 + 2 7v7 at 8th street,
  - **Canton Debrief: What went well? What can we do better? (All)**
    - Would like to survey the Force community regarding tournament and hotel
    - Hotel had additional rules this year that we did not know about in advance
    - Send out within the next week, reconvene in June
    - If we do return to the hotel, request that we have the entire building. Communicate with hotel in advance regarding expectations.
    - Amber will start a shared doc so that board members can add questions. Add questions to the doc by Sunday, May 31st, 5pm.
  - **2026 Tryouts last minute items: ??? Sarah/Travis**
    - Sarah still finalizing coaches. Will post try-out times soon. Amber/Kate will push out try-out lists soon. Kate needs to create the spreadsheet.
  - **Grass Roots Certification enforcement (including registration cost incentive): Sarah**

        - Sarah wants to enforce the policy. Sarah will collect information from coaches regarding their licenses. If coaches do not follow policy, they do not get reimbursed for their child's registration.
    - **Force Youth Night; Kalamazoo FC dates: Sarah**
        - Two dates: Tuesday, July 7th (boys game), Sunday, June 14th (girls game)
        - Possibly helping with a camp…maybe…she is looking into it.

- **Old Business**
    - **Highschool girls tournament only team: Kristin**
        - U19 Team-losing ½ players? What happens? Options-High School Freshman through Senior (Green/White): (Fall Season 2026)
            - WMYSA (2)
            - One team-tournament only (1) and other WMYSA
            - Both
        - Request: Board to approve plan.
        - Jason stepping down. Next coach focused on getting players prepared for college level.
        - **Action:** Item tabled for additional discussion at the next meeting.
    - ***3/25/26 Update: Will move to next month's agenda. Guest (Ryan) was going to come to this meeting to discuss the details, not able to attend due to perceived time constraints (also need to get something in writing from Ryan).***
    - ***4/29/26: Ryan has submitted an application, still waiting for additional emailed information, this will be tabled until the June meeting.***

- **Board Member Reports**
    - **Academy Director, Kristin Anderson**
        - Registration for 26-27 season for current Academy starts one week after try-outs (6-20), then open to public one week after that (6-27), Amber to update information on website
        - U5-U6 coach incentive - address at next agenda? Currently none of them are reimbursed. U7-U8 head coaches only.
    - **Coaching Coordinator, Sarah DeJonge**
        - We need to set a date for a coaches meeting.
    - **Uniform Coordinator, Rebecca Bilodeau**
        - Will work with Amber on kit reveal
    - **Marketing Director, Amber Green**
    - **Registrar, Kate Amaezechi**
    - **Secretary, Mandi Quigley**
    - **Field and Maintenance Coordinator, Joe Gibson and Andrew Kuipers**
        - New maintenance company doing great
        - Need to plan what they want to improve upon this summer
    - **Treasurer, Heidi Falkenstein**
        - Would like to provide checks at coaches meeting
    - **Vice-President, Joe Clemens**
    - **President, Anthony McNeel**
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- **Committee Reports**

- **Adjournment**
        - Motion: Amber
        - 2nd: Heidi
        - Vote: Most in favor, Andrew opposed