



**2019-2020**

Board of Director’s Meeting Minutes

September 30, 2019

7:00 pm

Location: Center on Halsted

3656 N Halsted St, Chicago, IL 60613

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| **Name** | **Board Position** | **Attended?** |
| Matt Herek | President | Yes |
| Jay Gonnam | Vice President | Yes |
| Lindsay Frounfelkner | Vice President | Yes |
| Brandon Knop | Secretary | Yes |
| Michael Rice | Treasurer | Yes |
| Christina Federighi | Director at Large | Yes |
| Matthew Graham | Director at Large | Yes |
| Paul Johnson | Director at Large | Yes |
| Myles Lawter | Director at Large | Yes |
| Chris Rinere | Director at Large | Yes |
| Zack Zusag | Director at Large | Yes |

**Call to Order: 7:04 PM**

**PRIOR MEETINGS:**

1. Approval of Agenda:
   1. **Approved.**
2. Approval of Minutes:
   1. **Approved, with comments.**

**OFFICER/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. President
   1. Park contract negotiations will begin next spring or summer; board and commissioners to work to “right size” fields in the meantime.
      1. Beach volleyball may continue to be affected by piping plover protections into 2020; Osterman Beach may be an option if current beach remains limited.
      2. Park contract allows us access to Chicago parks for 2 special events, including Pride Bowl. Second event is still open for discussion.
      3. Sterling Bay soccer fields and new turf fields at Diversey may become available to book as an alternative for certain sports moving forward.
2. Vice President – Athletics (Marketing Committee)
   1. Women’s softball has requested 60 days to complete their commissioner election; women’s softball has been successful with numbers, but weather has not been cooperative.
   2. Kickball is operating on 1.5 fields due to lack of lights on second field; unclear whether Clarendon will remain open for kickball for future seasons, as there is usually a softball league using these fields.
   3. Pool is concerned about numbers for fall; will move forward with open pool events instead of league play.
   4. Soccer is going well, indoor volleyball is ready to begin, basketball has its permits and ready to move forward.
   5. Women’s basketball has new commissioner: Noel Draine; Badminton also has a new commissioner: Anthony Pani
   6. Dodgeball is considering moving locations; Center is available on Fridays, but no other options.
   7. Marketing committee met in mid-September to discuss focus
      1. Focuses are diversity, inclusion, onboarding and recruitment
      2. Committee will continue to work on social media audit
      3. Consideration of new member welcome gift/card for 2020
3. Vice President – Operations (Events Committee)
   1. Storage unit remains the best value of location/price vs. options in the city
   2. Social committee to meet during the next two weeks
   3. Ideas for 2019/2020 events
      1. Late October sports leader gathering (Monday or Thursday)
      2. November – Zoo Lights event (with $5 discount code)
      3. December – Food drive or toy drive possible
      4. January – Chicago Bulls pride night & annual party
      5. February – Sports leader gathering, potentially at Maggie Daley skating rink
      6. March – Spring/Summer registration party
      7. May – Rooftop event
      8. June – Sports leader gathering
      9. July/August – Fall sports registration event
4. Secretary (Website Committee)
   1. LeagueApps offers multiple sports website packages which range from $1,650 to $5,000, with $250 annual fee for continuous maintenance and help.
   2. Alternative is private programmer, with estimates of $5,000+
   3. Recommendation is to go forward with looking into LeagueApps, given their experience with our registration software and lower rates.
   4. Committee will go forward with survey to determine most important features and create eventual estimate from LeagueApps.
5. Treasurer
   1. Meeting scheduled with US Bank to discuss converting Brody Award funding from COD to savings account (approximately $5,2229 as of today).

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. LeagueApps Gender Identity
   1. Commissioners and board are still working through errors related to new gender question in LeagueApps registration.
      1. One difficulty: cannot hide the default female gender when commissioners log in.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. eSports
   1. Committee is in discussion about what the league will look like and how to promote
   2. Committee will discuss putting together an event in early December to promote the event—date and logistics to determine by next meeting.
2. CMSA Awards
   1. Board to consider potential of creating CMSA awards (commissioners, players, etc.)
   2. Next meeting, discuss whether committee will be added to handle, frequency of awards, what awards will be awarded, who will determine

**Announcements:**

1. Next meeting November 4, 2019

**Motion to Adjourn: Federighi, Second: Lawter**

**Adjourned: 8:58 PM**