



**PacNW Soccer Club**

**June 10, 2015 General Membership Meeting**

**6:35-7:30**

**Welcome and call to order:** 6:35

**Board Members Present:** Andree Ament, Kaelen Aramaki, Jeff Hemmen, Michelle Taylor, Lynn Gerking, John Wilson and Lance Despain.

**Appointed Volunteers granted voting membership Present:**

Assistant Registrar – Robin Hautamaki

**Voting Members Present:**

**Girls Teams:** 05 Maroon, 05 Blue, 05 White, 05 Gold, 04 Maroon, 03 Maroon, 03 Blue, 03 white, 02 Maroon 02 Blue, 02 White, 01 Maroon, 01 Blue, 01 White, 00 Maroon, 00 White, 99 Maroon, 99 Blue, 98 Maroon, 98 Blue, 97 Blue, 97 White.

**Boys Teams:** 05 Maroon, 05 Blue, 05 White, 04 Maroon, 04 Blue. 03 Maroon, 03 Blue, 03 White, 02 White, 01 Blue, 01White, 00 Maroon, 00 Blue, 00 White, 99 Maroon, 99 Blue, 98 Maroon, 99 White, 97 Maroon, 97 Blue, 97 White.

Total voting members present: 51

**PacNW night at Seattle Reign:** - July 11<sup>th</sup> vs Western NY Flash. The Seattle Reign will have their US National team players back for this game and hope to have a big celebration welcoming the women back from a successful World Cup. They have tried to make it easier on managers by creating a custom website for PacNW to order tickets, [www.reignfc.com/pacnwsc](http://www.reignfc.com/pacnwsc). If 400 tickets are purchased by PacNW members from this page, a Reign FC player will make an appearance for PacNW this summer. For orders of 15 or more tickets please contact the Reign FC ticket office at 855- REIGN-FC. There are also opportunities for girls to be player escorts, as well as other PacNW club promotion opportunities at the game. In addition the Reign is working to set up an autograph session with both home and away teams. The rep expressed that the Reign would be happy to try to accommodate any special requests for your teams, eg get a player out to one of your tournaments. Contact them directly with any requests.

**PacNW night at the Sounders:** Gary Boyle

August 30<sup>th</sup> vs Portland Timbers! Tickets for PacNW members will be \$18/ticket. This is a full stadium game. A Promo code will be sent out to the club through club email for individual ticket sales. If you want to go as a team (over 15 tickets) you need to call Gary Boyle, 206-512-1220 or email at garyb@soundersfc.com. The team that sells the most tickets will be asked to select a player to send out to the field to represent the team!

**PacNW & Brain Centers NW Concussion Study:** – David Burns

David Burns is the CEO for Brain Centers NW. Brain Centers NW is supporting a research project that is looking at the use of vision as a window into concussions. The parts of the brain that run the eyes are showing promise as a great window into concussion science. The study will require 100 boys between the ages of 12-18 to participate in the study. The boys will be asked to track a dot with their eyes and reaction time and accuracy of the eye to the target will be measured. Final proposal will be going to the university for approval. If they get good data there may be a follow up. The research project is free to all participants.

C3 logix is another opportunity for baseline testing for a fee. David Burns is looking into the possibility of bringing this to Starfire to do baseline testing for kids. A printout of results is given to the tested individual at baseline. This can then be repeated after a concussion event with a printout to bring to the physician as a comparison to the baseline.

**Executive Board Member Elections, Voting and Results:**

Kaelen reviewed bylaws changes for vote as presented to the voting membership via email and posted online on May 31st.

Nominees were given the opportunity to speak to the membership.  
Time given for voting and ballots were collected.

Votes were counted by Executive Director, Todd Johnson, and Executive Board Member, Lynn Gerking.

Total Voting Members signing in: 51  
Total ballots received: 50

**Amendments to Bylaws vote count for record:**

50 Accept; 0 Reject

**Elected Board Officers and vote count for record:**

Registrar: Robin Hautamaki - 49  
Treasurer: Helicia Thompson - 49  
Vice President Communications: Michelle Taylor - 35  
Vice President Development: Tom Ament – 39

**Registrar Report:** Andree' Ament, Registrar

The registrar's job is to verify the player is of the correct age and is who they purport to be. In addition the role is to make sure coaches are all RMA cleared and safe to

be with the kids. Every team wants their roster for the Rainier Challenge. Every team needs to understand the registrar's role in that when she signs the roster this is her signature that everything above has been checked and verified. When she asks for a birth certificate it's needed for verification so that she can sign the roster as accurate. Please send any requested birth certificates asap so that you can get your team roster on time for Rainier Challenge. If a coach isn't RMA cleared the roster will state the RMA clearance is expired. No tournament will take that roster because the coach has not been cleared to work with the kids. All adults on a roster must be RMA cleared. Please remind your coach to get this done so that you can get your team roster on time for Rainier Challenge. Deadline for any roster changes, birth certificates and RMA clearance are June 11<sup>th</sup> for boys teams and June 18<sup>th</sup> for girls teams. This is the last date to turn in all of your roster information! The registrar has a full time job and family and needs the time to be able to go through all the rosters for the entire club. You must get all your information into the registrar prior to the roster deadline. Please stop by after the meeting to speak to Andree' if you are unsure if any of the birth certificates or Coach RMA clearance is complete. Another thing that can affect your roster is player payment. Players will not be put on the roster and player cards will not be distributed to the team if the player is not current in payment. If a player is having financial difficulty please have them contact the treasurer to work out payment arrangements. As soon as players take care of their financial obligations the player card will be released so that they can participate in the tournaments.

When you get a roster, make copies of it. If you make no changes prior to your next tournament, you can use the same one again! If you make no changes all summer you will have copies of your roster for all of your tournaments and will not have to request again!

Thank you for all of you who were kind and patient and understanding of my position and my efforts to get rosters out to you. Thank you to coaches and Leighton for supporting the registrar's processes. Andree will be transferring all of the registrar information and emails to Robin shortly. When it transfers over, managers will be notified so that they know with whom they are communicating.

**2015-16 Financial Summary:** John Wilson-President, for Helicia Thompson-Treasurer

Total operating revenue for the 2014-15 soccer year was \$1,871,123.91 and included player fees, program fees and other miscellaneous revenue. Total operating expenses for the 2014-15 soccer year was \$1,864,943.35. Coaching Salary is the highest cost to the club at 61% of our annual budget. Next is Fields at 16%, tournament/league fees at 10% and 13% goes to miscellaneous admin, miscellaneous player costs and referees. Total operating income for the 2014-15 soccer year was \$6,180.56. In addition we have a foundation account that supports financial aid and scholarship.

**Technical Directors Report:** Leighton O'Brien, Technical Director

My main focus is the technical play of the club. My goal is to implement this style of play from the top down. This goal always is to play the same style of play – boys, girls, U8's to U18's. We are always trying to grow and gain knowledge from around the world. We have grown tremendously as a club and we want to provide

professionalism with our coaches while at the same time remembering that this is a fun game and it's great for the kids to be young and have fun. The foundation of soccer is set at the younger ages 8-12 years old. For that reason we have put phenomenal directors, Viet Nguyen and Eugene Pouban to oversee our U8 through U12's to make sure they get the most out of this age group. We also have phenomenal directors overseeing the U13-U18 age groups. Malia Arrant is our U13-U18 Girls Director and Todd Stauber is our U13-U18 Boys Director. A large part of their focus is on college opportunities. Many of our players are focused on playing at the college level. Malia and Todd work with our players on resume building and exposure to college coaches at all levels through our PacNW college camp, college visit days, networking at showcases to market our players and much more. They are both fantastic coaches that provide a lot of experience for our staff at those ages. Leighton's role has changed. This is to give him more opportunity to coach the coaches, work on the curriculum and work with the individual teams and coaches to ensure the style of play is progressing at every level from White to Maroon, U8 through U18.

**State of the Club:** John Wilson, President

A brief summary and overview of the 2014-15 soccer year at PacNW!

Noel King from the Irish National team came to evaluate our directors: Noel spent time evaluating the coaching sessions of our directors and providing input back to the directors on their session as well as input back to the directors and the board on the balance of the training curriculum and suggestions for improvement. The directors received great feedback and direction.

Summer Training Program introduced: It is a big jump to go from recreational soccer to premier soccer. This year we offered an 8 week low cost program to our youngest programs to give our recreational players an opportunity come and practice with our teams and experience the coaching style and community.

Strong engagement by PacNW teams in the community- 70% of our teams participated in our Pac gives back program! In addition we had a record number of members participate in the Wings of Karen 5K this year with 200 of our members participating.

We have multiple teams participating in regionals both in Snohomish and later this month in Boise Idaho. Today our girls 2000 blue team won 6-0 over Idaho in the President's Cup regionals.

We have a US National Team pool player – Summer Yates has been called up to play in the U16 national team player pool.

We rolled out a new and improved website. IT was a team effort. The building of our new and improved website was led by Ron Taylor and facilitate by Michelle Taylor our VP of Communications and Kevin Kooiker our webmaster.

We had a record number of registrations for tryouts. We broke 100 registered for tryouts for several age groups. Other age groups had in the 80s and 90's. We can only take 45-50 kids and are currently operating at near capacity.

We held our first annual footgolf tournament. If you participated you know how much fun was had by all. This is an all ages event, so plan to come and see what it's all about next year.

3 teams will be traveling internationally this summer. Countries we have teams competing in are Spain, Norway and Ireland. Another team is starting fund raising to go to Spain summer of 2016.

Going Forward:

U8-U11 programs - We were a little light on numbers at these younger ages, so we will have an area of focus there for the board this year to make sure that segment of the club is running well.

Nike Uniforms - We have decided to renew our uniform contract with Nike. We got bids from Adidas, Diadora, Puma and Nike. After looking at them all we made a decision to go with the bid that maximized value to our club and have chosen to stay with Nike. They provide a quality product and will continue to be a great partner supporting our coaching staff and events.

Jersey Title Sponsor- This is the last year of our partnership with Smartsheet and would like to work with them to see if we can continue this relationship. We are also open to talk with other potential jersey sponsors and will actively seek out further opportunities.

Club spirit and pride - We would like to find ways to develop club spirit and club pride. Maybe getting our fan gear out a little more, or doing more fun events like the 4v4 tournament. Send us input and ideas for the upcoming year. We aren't sure what this will look like, but are always open to suggestions.

Pedro Milan - We have a new outreach coordinator. Pedro came here from Spain where he was working with Real Madrid. We are having him work outreach with our Spanish speaking families and are adding other aspects of the club as we further develop his role.

### **Upcoming Events:**

**July 7-9:** PacNW Summer Camp

**July 11:** PacNW night at Seattle Reign FC vs Western New York Flash

**July 21-22:** PacNW College ID Camp

**August 12:** PacNW All Club 4 v 4 Tournament

**August 30:** PacNW Night at Sounders FC vs Portland Timbers

**September 18:** PacNW Annual Golf Tournament