



# BEND FC TIMBERS

BOYS AND GIRLS PREMIER SOCCER CLUB // BEND, OR

## Board of Directors Meeting

**Tuesday, March 7 2017 - 6:00 pm**

*Bend FC Timbers office - 145 NE Lytle Street Suite 6, Bend, OR 97702*

Board Members In Attendance: Mike Armstrong, Rod Buzzas, Amy Ochander, Teresa Cravens, Kelly Sparks, Nils Eriksson, Tina Davis, Matt Hillman, Tara Bilanski, Kelly Sparks

Staff/Guests In Attendance: Tammy Ambrose, TJ Toney, Chris Ambrose, Mike Malmquist, Ryan Nopp

Amy called meeting to order at 6:00pm

Started with Introductions of Board Members and BIF Committee members

6:00 pm Built It Forward – Tara

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- Conversations, Meetings and Planning. The relationships with PCU and Washington Timbers have been very helpful. WA Timbers is the most similar to us in size.
- We have a new bookkeeper and Tammy, Tara and Emily have been meeting with her.
- The 30-year lease is a potential hurdle for funding/ donor/ ownership issues. We are meeting with BPRD about 1<sup>st</sup> right of refusal options regarding the lease or seeking options to purchase the land and then sell it back after the lease is up in 30 years.
- Willamette Track and Field has funded other field projects like ours.
- Tara has meet with Visit Bend's ED, Kevney Dugan. They are interested in helping our club raise money to build these fields. Visit Bend would like to connect with Timbers who run OYSA and are invested in youth soccer in all of Oregon.
- Starting to see some positive movement in the campaign. Infrastructure and messaging,
- Baez Sports Group has been willing to work with us for the turf fields
- Discussion about septic vs tapping into BPRD sewer as well as traffic studies
- Chris shared more research on the LLC designation for BIF project.
- Chris recommended we move forward with filing for the LLC. Amy and Tina volunteered to help Chris with the paperwork to set-up the LLC.
- Scott Ochander (Amy's husband) has volunteered his time to help the club with communication, surveys and other strategies for messaging changes and updates with the BIF campaign.

7:00pm Amy called the meeting's open session to order

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- Club parent came to the board meeting to talk about the State Cup Policy and the fact that their State Cup Exemption was denied. Parent also sent an email to the Board members explaining his challenges with his exemption request being denied.
- Tara explained the problems with exceptions from the past years and why this policy was introduced.
- Much discussion and debate was had about how to address the State Cup Exemption. Board agreed to support the policy as is and made a recommendation to the staff to grant an individual exception based on academic rationale.



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8:00pm Approve February Minutes - Amy

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Rod made a motion to approve February minutes. Matt seconded with minor time edit. Minutes were approved.

8:05 pm Financials Update – Matt & Tara

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Financials will be presented at the next board meeting.

8:05 pm ED Report – Tara

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Tara's report updates the board in the following subject lines:

- Overall – getting practice and game fields right now is taking up a lot of staff time and is getting more and more challenging, especially with the start of COSL. Teams are cancelling games last minute and not coming over the pass to play games that are scheduled because of “bad” weather on the pass.
- Competitive Program (U11+)
- Central Oregon Soccer League
- JR Academy
- Bend Premier Cup
- Broken Top 3v3 Shootout
- Sponsorship – Tara would love to get a board committee or person focused on Sponsorship
- Administrative topics and fees for next season

Board Organization & Structure – Amy

\*Revisiting our work from the retreat last fall – *tabled until next meeting*

8:30 pm Matt made a motion to adjourn, Tina seconded  
Adjourn

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 11, 2017

