

East Central Academy Meeting Minutes
Google Meet Meeting
Date: July 27, 2020
Time: 8:30 PM

Club	Member	Club	Member
Electric City	Ross Stainton	United FC - Howard	Drew Jepson
FC Green Bay	Quinn Ross	United FC-DePere	Dusty Rhodes
FOX Cities United	Renee Sullivan	United FC-DePere	Wade Dozier
Kimberly	Noe Smart	United Soccer - Allouez	Abdul Nur
Kimberly	Evan Paradiso	Water Cities	Eric Leverance
Neenah	John Pendergast	East Central Academy Comm.	Sean Breitzman
TASK	Adam Eggert	East Central- Ref. Comm.	Mike Jones
Oshkosh	Matt Callahan	East Central- Admin.	Sue Ann Evers

Roll Call by sign into meeting.

Sean called the meeting to order and reviewed that at the East Central All Club Board Meeting (July 20, 2020) the membership decided to go with a six game schedule for the classic league. It was suggested that the academy program follow the same play dates for academy scheduling.

General discussion as to what the academy schedule would look like for Fall 2020

- Scheduled games would still be on Saturday mornings into early afternoon. Games are usually done by 2 pm.
- Regional scheduling.
- There would be more event sites in order to reduce large groups of people congregating at one location.
- Scheduling would be more of a club on club event where the clubs having a larger number of teams would need to be scheduled with a club with a similar number of teams
- It is difficult to give a complete picture of what this season will look like because we are unsure of the number of teams that will be submitted.

Game Logistics:

- Coin toss will be removed from the academy game. The away team will have 1st half kickoff. The home team will have 2nd half kick off
- Academy Teams will not check-in players with referee. All academy players should be on a roster.
- As in the past, team players will sit on one side of the field and the parents will sit on the opposite side of the field directly across from their players. Parents should remain in the same area for the entire game, even when their team switches playing sides at half time. Parents will be encouraged to social distance and to stay with their community of parents and players.

- Teams will still switch sides at halftime. Parents should not switch where they are sitting. They should stay in the same location.
- Hosting club should provide field maps helping parents find the home and away location for their team. The map will include any additional instructions that traveling teams may need to know.
- Teams, coaches and spectators will be asked to quickly leave the playing field at the conclusion of the game, so that the next team can prepare for their game.
- Hosting clubs are asked to mark off a 10-foot spectator line so that parents are not sitting right on the field line. This will give the referee some room to move and to establish some social distance.
- No benches will be provided by the hosting club. If a team desires a bench they will provide their own bench for their players. The team will be responsible for sanitizing their bench.

Suggestion to have only one essential parent bring the player to the games. Because all clubs do not own their fields, it was felt that this could not be stipulated by East Central.

New Timetable for Academy Games

East Central scheduling will set up the following timetable for academy games. This will be the standard start time for scheduling purposes.

- Staggered start times for each age group
- 8U teams will be given 1:30 minutes between games
- 10U teams will be given 1:45 minutes between games

8U field 1	8U field 2	8U field 3
8:00 AM	8:15 AM	8:30 AM
9:30 AM	9:45 AM	10:00 AM
11:00 AM	11:15 AM	11:30 AM
12:30 PM	12:45 PM	1:00 PM

10U field 1	10U field 2	10U field 3
8:00 AM	8:15 AM	8:30 AM
9:45 AM	10:00 AM	10:15 AM
11:30 AM	11:45 AM	12:00 PM
1:15 PM	1:30 PM	1:45 PM

Should a hosting club have additional fields that they could use for warm ups and are able to move teams and spectators throughout their complex safely, they are free to adjust the start times. East Central felt that individual clubs know their complex the best and are capable of managing the adjustments to keep everyone safe. The time adjustments will be done by the hosting club during the revision phase of the scheduling process and will be presented in the final draft of the schedule.

All clubs will be responsible to review the schedule to make sure:

- all of the club's teams are listed
- their entire club is at one location
- teams are not double booked into the same time slot

Fall Season 2020 – Agreed by Academy members

Academy –
6 Games
Saturdays
September 12, 2020
September 19, 2020
September 26, 2020
October 3, 2020
October 10, 2020
October 17, 2020
Open weekend for scheduling
October 24, 2020
October 31, 2020

Academy scheduling will be done as events. East Central will be using the same scheduling process as in the past, however there will be more event sites. Scheduling will be more regional and clubs will need to mix players among their teams to give more variety in play. Academy clubs may select two blackout dates to be used club wide.

Academy - All deadlines are at noon of the listed date.

Please notice that dates have been changed to allow parents a longer sign-up window

- August 14, 2020 team applications due
 - See Fall 2020 East Central Academy Data Sheet
- August 17, 2020 first phase draft of schedule – Week 1
- August 19, 2020 first phase revision – Week 1
- August 21, 2020 first phase schedule posted – Week 1
- August 26, 2020 second phase draft of schedule Weeks 2-6
- August 28, 2020 second phase revision – Weeks 2-6
- August 31, 2020 entire schedule posted Weeks 1-6
- Sept 12, 2020 First Event

For the Good of Soccer

- Mike Jones said that he may be able to host a mentoring program. He will need to see what the referee pool looks like.
- Academy Directors, please set the tone for the soccer season. Impress on your coaches, players and parents to follow safe guidelines for social distancing, so that we can keep the soccer season going.

Adjourned 10:06

Respectfully submitted by,

Sue Ann Evers

East Central Director of Operations