

SECTION 8 CHICAGO

MAY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 1, 2018

Schubas Tavern
3159 N Southport Ave
Chicago, IL 60657



BOARD MEMBERS

Dan Giroux (Chair); Nicole Hack (Vice-Chair); Jake Payne (Communications); Lauren Morris (Marketing); Sean Callaghan (Events); Nate Cubeta (Fundraising); Oliver Kolb (Operations); Ryan Movahed (Finance)

1. Agenda approved

2. Financial & Legal Update

- Issue with nonprofit status designation
- An accountant has been hired, and we have two months to file.

3. Events Update

- Columbus bus sold out
- 69 game tickets sold
- Tickets on sale until Thursday, May 3
- Ops call with Columbus will be on May 7

4. Operations Update -

- First two-pole build of 2018 was a success
- Memorial Day will be the next two-pole build from 12-6PM
- Progress is slowly being made with capo committee. More information will be provided at future meetings.
- Please stay after the Fire game on May 5 to support the Special Olympics match initiative

5. Merch Update

- We're working to have an online store that's connected to an outside vendor that will carry a variety of products (track jackets, adjustable hats, etc.)
- We set the prices, and we get a cut of the sale.

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6. Comms Update + #AtlantaHateWeek

- We hit 7,000 followers on Twitter
- Use #cf97history or #traditionhonorpassion while posting old Fire photos to show our history in comparison to Atlanta's lack of history

7. Support Your Local

- 2nd City Social Club & Logan Squares are working together to promote charities per game / month.

8. End of Sanctions + Toronto Banner

Time: 5 minutes

Purpose: Update

Leader: Dan

9. Forums

- Looking into the potential of reviving the forums or finding another public forum to host public discussions

10. Update from Team

- You Can Play (org promoting equality for all athletes) would like to connect with us
- Pride night is June 9; Fire will provide us with Chicago pride flags

11. Ben Step Event

- Ben is working with Talisman to produce a Blanco hat
- Ben would like to host a popup show and release party for the hat
- He's talking about doing an opening World Cup party or an away game watch party at his space in Pilsen.

12. Supporters Matches

- Dave Bercham provided us with a handful of dates that we could use the Fire Pitch at no cost to host a soccer-playing event
- Options: June 23, July 7, 14, 18 or Aug 4

13. Open Floor

- Executive Director of Street Soccer USA Chicago was present. He introduced himself and the org.
- Marty informed us that there would be a test batch for the Goose Island beer on Monday, May 7