



## **Meeting Minutes: September 2020**

### **SEATTLE SOUNDERS FC ALLIANCE COUNCIL**

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

#### **September 1, 2020 – 7:00 PM – Virtual Meeting**

Present via Zoom (11 of 14): Alex Eagleton, Cameron Collins, Carmen Hall, Daniel Roe, Darla Langdon, Duane Nakamura, Jerry Neil, Kelsey Gallo, Nicholaus Biela, Richard Oliver, Stephanie Steiner

Via telephone (0):

Absent (3): Ben Slager, Jeff Williams, Lisa Angeles

#### **I. Call to order – Cameron Collins**

#### **II. Roll call – Nicholaus Biela: 11 of 14 present**

#### **III. Adoption of August Meeting Minutes**

#### **IV. Ashley Fosberg, RAVE Foundation**

Ashley Fosberg updated the Alliance Council on the Rave COVID-19 Grants. They raised approximately \$1.4 million. They were able to fund everyone that qualified and applied. By end of September, all funds are expected to be disbursed. Excess funds to be used towards Social Justice Framework.

Vote campaign has been launched with a special VOTE shirt sold, with proceeds benefitting RAVE Foundation Community Youth Relief Fund.

RAVE is currently focused in communities where they are needed most, using free/reduced lunch data to determine need. Areas with less green space, or places where it is harder to play outside due to safety. Combating systemic effects of racism. Using their platform in these communities to communicate multiple messages to move forward social justice mission (How to vote, Register to vote, RAVE field locations, Soccer in a box program as examples).

Their plan is to move forward with opening four additional RAVE fields in 2020, despite COVID related fundraising challenges. Opening new space at Midway Park in Des Moines on 9/3. Two of the other locations are at Rocks Hill in West Seattle, and Highline School District in Seatac, with one more to be announced later in the year.

26 fields by 2026 – goal to have every kid within a mile radius of each field to have a ball. This is a coordinated goal to coincide with the 2026 FIFA World Cup in the USA.

#### **V. Scarf Vote – Nicholas Biela and Cameron Collins**

Nicholaus and Cameron updated the Council with the timeline for this year's Alliance Scarf. Designs will be open from September 4<sup>th</sup>-September 22<sup>nd</sup>. From September 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> the Alliance Council will narrow down the scarves to a final group. Final Alliance wide voting to be held from October 2<sup>nd</sup>-October 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### **V. Zoom Watch Party – Carmen Hall and Ben Slager**

Zoom meetings are shown in the stadium during home games, giving fans a connection to the players in absence. They will also be shown on the local broadcast with Joe TV. The goal is to give the fans ways to feel interactivity when they can't be supporting in person in the stadium.

#### **VI. Open Discussion**

Nicholaus gave an update on the 2021 Alliance Council vote totals. Currently, 3 people have received enough votes to serve a term beginning 2021. There are another four people who have received some votes, and are on the way to being elected.

#### **VII. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Council votes unanimously to adjourn. The meeting closed at 8:32pm.