



UNLV Rebel Soccer Foundation Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 24, 2024| 9:30am

Location: Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams
Dial in by phone: 725-696-5982
Phone conference ID: 295 371 891#

Present:

Mr. Daniel Giraldo
Mr. John Wightman
Mr. Mark Haley
Mr. Rod Santa Cruz
Mr. Gary Sepede
Mr. Frederic Apcar
Mr. Roger Tabor
Mr. Tim Cashman
Mr. BJ Richardson
Guest: Gene Canal – UNLV
Guest: Kris Giese– UNLV



CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

**1. SOCCER FOUNDATION'S WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
INFORMATION ONLY**

Dan Giraldo opened the meeting 8:35am and welcomed everyone and asked for Public Comment.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one came forward to speak.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Roger Tabor, seconded by John Wightman

4. MINUTES

Mark Haley motion to approve August 16, 2024 with no corrections and this was seconded by John Wightman, approved by all board members.

5. AGENDA ITEMS

a. Monthly Financial Update

INFORMATION ONLY

1. Update on financials.

- Bank of America checking account has \$81,986
- Need an invoice from UNLV Athletics to cut final check on Investment around \$32,000
- Audit – Nothing came back, everything looks good should be wrapped up by the end of the week.

b. Committees Reports

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Fundraising Committee – John Sullivan

- No Updates (John is on Vacation)
- Wightman – J Sullivan is looking into the swag for the donor levels and has been communication with John Wightman

2. Legacy Committee – John Wightman

- Has been reaching out to Alumni and got some feedback. “This is the first time I heard from UNLV”. Wanted to bring to the board as this was not great feedback.
- Reach out to Ryersons brothers – Rich will be out at the 50th event.
- John Lucus will be out at the event.
- Gary Sepede – The Alumni Club will try to address this issue and reach



- more to alumni
- UNLV (Giese) – UNLV will start reaching to out to alumni using the “Letter Winner” program Development office will take lead on this
- 3. Finance/Investments Committee – Roger Tabor
 - No Updates
- 4. Board Governance Committee – Tim Cashman
 - No Updates
- 5. Misc.
 - **Agassi Foundation Partnership – John Wightman**
 - Met with the foundation, great meeting they give us a donation With Nike gear (\$34,000). Received the products and now have it With Eagle promotion to have it printed with UNLV Soccer
 - Create a VIP Section – Roger Tabor
 - Talked to a guy on modular stands that would like to start a pro Soccer team depending on what he does we could use him.
 - Alumni Club Activities – Gary Sepede
 - The Alumni Club has a \$1000 in seed money for an event from the University but need receipt to get reimbursement
 - Gary has been participating in other alumni functions and several clubs want to use our tailgates as part of their social functions, will start communicating this to the clubs
 - Website – Mark Haley
 - Had a call with American Media. Rebuilding the site, they can help us manage the data base.
 - AMG is managing the Social media for us and everything is going well
 - Need to look at our members page and work with fundraising committee to figure this out what we want to do as merchandise is involved. Wightman mentioned that we may need to buy items to meet the needs of the member donation.
 - Need logos of our donors to put on our site. Mark needs them to put on our site.

c. Tailgates for 2024/2025 – Dan Giraldo

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

1. Upcoming Tailgate: September 26, 2024-Men’s Team v Fullerton
 - Craft Haus Brewery will be the beer sponsor, they have visited the tailgate area and out beer wagon. Craft Haus Brewery has put in new lines for our beer system. They will provide two beers, Rebel Spirit and Silver State for this tailgate.
 - Setup is at 3:30pm for board members.
 - This is a Board members event and we need everyone’s help.
 - Gary Sepede will pick up the beer pick up beer and 10x10 tent around 3pm.
 - Signs are made and will be put up on Thursday.

d. Updates For 50th Celebration - Dan Giraldo

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- Emails have gone out regarding the 50th celebrations, 3 communications have gone



out so far for the events for the weekend, links to get free tickets to the soccer games | discounted tickets to the football game vs Syracuse and the link to sign up for alumni.

- Thank you to Kris Giese for providing the link for our alumni to get the tickets as this worked out well.

So far we had 20 alumni sign up on our events and tailgates

- Roger updated regarding the 74's – Tom Khamis the coach is confirmed, Rick Ingrahm , Dave Kennedy is coming, Mitch Preus, Michael Thompson, Bill Briare, Luise Lavietes, Roy Sparks, Varut Kalemajion, Cliff Tabor, Bob Singer all plan to come.

- UNLV will honor UNLV Soccer Alumni and family at Allegiant Stadium during the football game.

- Alumni Soccer Game is scheduled for Saturday, at Johann Memorial Field (10am)

6. NEXT MEETING

Dan Giraldo reminder the board that the next meetings will be the following dates:

- October 16th @ 8:30am
- November 8th @ 8:30am
- December 4th @ 8:30am
- January 10th @ 8:30am
- February 7th @ 8:30am
- March 7th @8:30am
- April 4th @ 8:30am
- May 9th @ 8:30am
- June 6th @ 8:30am

7. ADJOURNMENT

- Dan called for Adjournment at 10:18 AM

