

# DAVIS LEGACY SOCCER CLUB

## REPORT OF ACTION(S) TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING OF MARCH 10, 2021 7:30 P.M. Via Zoom

1. <u>PURPOSE STATEMENT FOR SPECIAL MEETING</u>: On March 9, 2021, President Lutzker, in accordance with Section 7(c) of the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Club, called an urgent Special Meeting of the Board at the date and time above, for the purpose of evaluating and potentially approving a proposed strategic partnership with the California Storm women's professional soccer club.

2. <u>URGENCY DETERMINATION</u>: The Directors present were polled to determine whether the evaluation of the proposed strategic partnership is too urgent to wait to be heard at the next Regular Meeting scheduled for April 21, 2021. This poll also served as the roll call taken:

Executive Board:	Josh Lutzker (President): Yes
	Jeff Geisler (Vice President): Yes
	Victor Briscoe (2nd Vice President): Yes
	Mark Carroll (3rd Vice President): Yes
	Phil Wyels (Treasurer): Yes
	Rob Hofmann (Secretary): Yes
Team Representatives:	Carrie Cloud (U9-U12 Girls): Yes
	John Fitzpatrick (U16-U18/19 Girls): Yes
	Karen Rodriguez (U13-U15Boys): Yes
	Pam Amundsen (U13-U15 Girls)(joined meeting at 8:09PM).

>> URGENCY DETERMINATION MADE: YES: nine (9); NO: zero (0).

Non-Voting Directors present:	David Robertson (Executive Director of Coaching)	
	Justyn Howard (Director of Administration and Finance).	

#### QUORUM ESTABLISHED.

3. SPECIAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:33 P.M. (Josh)

# 4. <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>: No items.

# 5. <u>GENERAL DISCUSSION TOPICS - PROPOSED CALIFORNIA STORM STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP:</u>

Background (David): California Storm ("Storm"), currently of the Women's Premier Soccer League (WPSL), has approached the Club about a strategic partnership arrangement that would provide reciprocal benefits such as a direct professional team connection to the Club, a potential alternative (non-college) pathway for female players; Storm use of Legacy fields for practices and games, Legacy coaches coaching the Storm reserve team, no-cost ticket availability for Club members to attend Storm games, and various co-branding opportunities. The Storm season includes six (6) home (double header) games per year [back-to-back reserve/first team games].

# 6. <u>DIRECTOR QUESTIONS/[RESPONSES]</u>:

- Field usage conflicts must be limited/Legacy prioritization must be maintained [Legacy teams have field priority and rotation control at all times];
- Insurance requirements/implications [Additional facility/field usage within policy scope and additional insured endorsements to be obtained];
- Potential direct competition with FC Davis women's team [Potential exists, but the potential benefit to Club outweighs negative impacts to other local club];
- Concern about how reserve team coaching time to be compensated [Some revenue sharing potential to help offset salaries and field wear and tear/maintenance];
- Additional field wear and tear impacts/additional maintenance needs to be addressed;
- Concern about potential for continual 'increasing asks' by Storm and how the parameters and expectations can be formalized [Memorandum of Understanding to be entered into that will enable either party to withdraw at any time upon requisite notice to the other party];
- Concern about the rapid pace of proposal [WPSL is requiring immediate feedback/impending deadline from teams about setting up reserve teams (U-21)].

Additional comments:

- Some additional expenses are a given; however, the likely benefits far outweigh the costs;
- Effectively moves up by several years the Club's strategic plan of providing an additional pathway (other than/in addition to college) for female players, without many of the associated costs;
- We share mutual goals/missions that can be better advanced collectively through the proposed reciprocal relationship.

7. <u>MOTION:</u> To authorize moving forward with the proposed strategic partnership with the California Storm as more particularly outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding to be distributed to Board Members for final comment.

• Unanimous voice vote: YES: 10; NO: 0; ABSTAIN: 0.

- 8. <u>CLOSING COMMENT</u>:
  - (David): With the foregoing approval, the strategic partnership with the California Storm will be announced in conjunction with upcoming Storm versus U-19s exhibition game next Thursday.

## 9. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:27 P.M.

This Report of Actions Taken by the Board at the Special Meeting held by teleconference on March 10, 2021, is hereby respectfully submitted.

Rob Hofmann, Secretary