

## MINUTES OF HUNTER SOCCER MEETING

HELD FEBRUARY 4, 2011

**CALLED TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 8:07PM at the Hunter soccer Clubhouse, 220 Houston Ave., Penbryn Park, Pa 19038

**ATTENDANCE:** Thad Macnamara, Ed Clark, Simon Lindsey, Frank Duddy, Grant Schwoebel, Pat Sullivan, Moses Javan, Chris Hill, Bob Daniele, Andy Zucker, Alex Rae, Bert Graul, Dave DelBeccaro, Annie Dwyer, Tim Boles, Rick Sands, Ralph Bocchino, Regina Bocchino, Stephen Schott, Mike Fiorella, Bob Woodard, John Steinberg, Ruth Neibauer-Baker and Sandy Caiazzo

**MINUTES:** Minutes, moved, seconded, voted and approved

**COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE:** Ralph reports Norm Inazu is in ICU at Abington Memorial Hospital, we will keep him and the family in our prayers. For now Ed Clark and Mike Brown will assist with the scholarship program. We received check for \$100 from Balls for Uniroyal-thanks. Executive meeting was held Jan 15, 2011 where discussions about more training for coaches and teachers, field space, increasing fundraising efforts on a larger scale, marketing the club, etc were addressed. More discussion to follow—we have a few volunteers here tonight who are willing to help start the process of fundraising and marketing to move forward, we all look forward to working together and THANKS. Simon suggested corporate sponsors for uniform, etc. discussion on contributing to Cheltenham township for field use discussed, plan to fix up Penbryn field are on HOLD for now.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** See above

**VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Thad reports meeting with Josh Shapiro along with other area athletic clubs, discussed space issue, Thad has outlined a report of our needs now and in the next 5 years, how to coordinate the clubs around their "major" season, etc. At McKinley School meeting Abington Township will let this be used on Sundays but BLUE LAWS will stay as is for now. Split nights and weekends with us and fox chase? Portable lights cost and location and number discussed. Bob Daniele reports lights, cost of lights, generators, gas, etc.

**SECRETARY REPORT:** No report

**TREASURER REPORT:** Sandy reports Operating acct has \$43,519.88 and Capital acct has \$6900.00 with all bills paid at this time. Chris Hill and Sandy worked 5 hrs. or more at the clubhouse to get a budget together, more to come. Discussed "fiscal year" from 8/1 to 7/31 needs to change to the calendar from Jan through Dec. Discussed and changed the club costs for Intramural and Travel—prices now for PEE WEE is \$70, Intramural (5yrs to 11 yrs.) now \$100, Intramural Travel ( 12 yrs. to 14 yrs.) now \$140, Youth travel (8 yrs. To 14 yrs.) now \$175 and Travel (15 yrs. To 18 yrs.) now \$175. All changes moved, seconded, voted and approved.

REGISTRAR: Bob reports the need to adjust club registration costs—changes made- see Treasurer report EPYSA chose another vendor for their registration, will let us know who—we can continue to use the existing system for now. Opening registration around 3/11/11 through 6/11-discussed # of days for walk-in registration, encourage most to sign up on-line. Simon suggested a list of the player cost that parents are paying for would be helpful. LATE FEE is now \$25.00, more lawn signs to be purchased, flyers will go out to the schools, and Thad will get info on the Comcast Channel. Sandy suggests using Patrick and Ruth to help with marketing. March through Sept are good months for marketing.

SOCCER CAMP: Ed reports the coaches are ready, Camp dates are 7/11 to 7/15 and 7/18 to 7/22, permits are ready to go, supplies to be ordered.

FIELDS: John reports he, Thad and Simon met with Doug Wendell about using McKinley school, hopeful for an 11 x 11 field or 2 8 x 8 fields. Also the pump at SPS can NOT be removed. Bert reports Ab Township needs to maintain these fields. Goals needed, lock box? We are in the mix for using SPS field. Indoor soccer doing well. Crestmont may have time available. Highland Ele Sch can be used Thursday nights for 1 hrs. slots from 6 to7, 7 to8 and 8 to 9.

EQUIPMENT: Tim reports goals are needed for JWT, and McKinley school. Ok on paint for fields; Let him know who needs uniforms. Cost of 4 goals and bags for 2 fields is \$3500, this being a non-uniform year-goals needed. Used balls in clubhouse, Store them?

COACH AND PLAYER DEVELOPMENT: Moses reports John is doing a great job managing the goalie training. Also Grant has 30 or more people signed up for Referee Classes for 6 nights at 3 hours/night. Thanks Moses and John.

STRATEGIC PLANNING: see C & C report, President and Vice-president Reports

FUNDRAISING: Sandy reports and introduces Patrick and Ruth who are going to help with fundraising and Marketing the soccer club. Sandy's goals are 1) Clubhouse kitchen, 2) Training kids and staff and 3) field improvements. Using the snack bar at Penbryn, getting the parents and teams involved, etc.- Fundraising comm will meet at another time.

SOCIAL: Sandy reports we will be checking out different venues in the area to celebrate the HSC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in the year 2012.

COMMUNITY LIASION: Mike Dunn reports he will be speaking to members of the Glenside chamber of commerce and Josh Shapiro for more funding.

COORDINATORS:

INTRAMURAL: No report.

TRAVEL: Simon reports in Dec 2010, coaches in the hunter travel program began a program planning process for the 2011-2012 travel season. This process is on schedule and a series of recommended goals have been developed. First was a brief coaches survey that focused on the

following findings: 1) Emphasis on fundamental soccer skills during training, coaches in older age brackets felt the use of paid trainers provided value. 2) 3 barriers were identified to success in the travel program: a) field issues (availability, lighting, pitch quality) – b) player lack of commitment and c) insufficient coach training. 3) The TOP 3 program priorities should be a) player training, b) coach training and development c) fielding more competitive teams. During January coaches were invited to follow up in a series of collaborative planning sessions. 3 sessions took place at the Hunter clubhouse, including head coaches and assistants. Altogether 15 coaches participated in at least one session. They reviewed the survey results and engaged in constructive discussion regarding priorities and goals for the upcoming travel cycle. Proposed goals have been submitted to the Executive Committee for review/approval and circulated to the travel coaches. Next step is for goal sponsors to develop action plans for implementation of approved goals. 4 of the 7 recommended goals are in the area of coaches training and development. Also Simon included specific content pertaining to iSoccer recommendation and a presentation will be given to demo the iSoccer website features. Thanks to all who participated in the survey and planning sessions. Developing these goals concludes the planning process and that takes a lot of work to be ready for the 2011-2012 season. YOUR PARTICIPATION IS WELCOME! Any questions please feel free to contact Simon on-line at [simonlindsay@verizon.net](mailto:simonlindsay@verizon.net). Also know the club is presently working on the current field situation so the discussion continues. Recruitment for new coaches is out and we have 8 applicants so far.

ICSL/EPYSA: ICSL and EPYSA have not yet published key dates/ deadlines for placement and registration for the upcoming cycle. The January ICSL meeting was canceled-more info to come. EPYSA Indoor State Cups are underway. # Hunter teams participating. EPYSA Outdoor State Cups registration is open at their web site. Rock league registration is open.

JWT: No report

GOOD AND WELFARE: No report

MISCELLANOUS: Tony Donatelli has been signed by the San Jose Earthquakes—CONGRATS TONY!!

ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 9:39PM-next meeting is Thursday night 3/3/11 at the HSC Clubhouse at 8PM

Respectfully submitted

Regina Bocchino

Secretary Hunter Soccer

