

MINUTES OF HUNTER SOCCER MEETING  
HELD October 5, 2011

**CALLED TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 8:05 at the Hunter Soccer Clubhouse, 220 Houston Ave., Penbryn Park, PA 19038

**ATTENDANCE:** Sandy Caiazza, Thad Macnamara, Terri Dunn, Ralph Bocchino, Regina Bocchino, Bob Woodard, Robert Daniele, Dave DelBeccaro, Frank Duddy, Rick Sands, Richard Gaglianese, Grant Schwoebel, Bert Graul, John Steinberg, Steve Schott.

**MINUTES:** Minutes from the general Board meeting of September 1, 2011 and the Executive Committee Meeting of September 27, 2011 were moved, seconded and voted and approved.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE:** A check for \$50.00 from Dan Cowhey/United Way contribution was received. A bill for \$160.00 for landscaping was received for payment.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Ralph reported on the highlights of the Executive Committee meeting on September 27, 2011:

1. Field concerns – necessary to close Penbryn field due to poor conditions caused by excessive rain this year. Brook Field –we were first lead to believe that lights would not be a problem but now being advised by the Township Manager, David Kraynik and John Hoover that they are not in favor of having lights at Brook Field. They are concerned about possible neighbor complaints. We will plan to use Brook Field as an alternate side and apply for permits.

2. Opening Day was a success. We ran out of food after serving 500 hotdogs, 300 pretzels and 150 bottles of water and chocolate chip cookies. Carol Di Joseph came and met with Ralph to discuss the use of lights at Halowell Field. There are 4 neighbors who have concerns about the lights. Carol will meet and talk to them about their concerns and then Ralph will meet with them to answer any questions about the use of lights at the field.

3. Len Longo has resigned as the Girls' Intramural Program Coordinator. A new committee will be formed to handle girls' intramurals and Len will be an advisor on this committee. Len held picture day at the Clubhouse this year because of the unsatisfactory conditions at Glenside Weldon Field.

4. Bob Daniele reported on plans to complete the Clubhouse kitchen. He got an estimate for completing the kitchen – All plans must be within Code - \$20,000-\$25,000.00 will be needed to complete 95% of the project. Once the tournament is finished we will meet in November to budget for scholarship fund, fields, training, kitchen project, etc. The Scholarship Endowments will be perpetual – And therefore will fund itself –More discussion on the Budget will be addressed at the December General Board Meeting. Ralph asked everyone to please remind the coaches of the importance of helping out with the Tournament. Sign-up began this evening and approximately 50 teams registered so far.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT: Thad reported that Simon is working on getting a mentoring program off the ground so that our more experienced coaches will be asked to help our newer coaches – Thad will be calling the coaches.

SECRETARY: Regina reminded the Board that the Committee Reports need to be submitted prior to the General Board meetings.

TREASURER: Sandy reported that there is \$155,764.64 in the Operating Account and \$6,985.43 in the Capital Account.

REGISTRAR: Bob Woodard reported 1300 kids registered. On main issue to discuss - Refunds –several late requests for refunds were received, past our policy refund date. One particular request was denied and appealed after a detailed discussion and input from all. Refund was requested for two children from one family. A refund will be issued for the one child. The roster spots were reserved for two kids and other kids were turned away. Bob will email the decision to the family. We will make sure our policy is enforced. Next year we need to increase the late fee to cover costs, including Intercounty fees.

SOCCER CAMP: No Report.

EQUIPMENT: Several flags are missing from last year, goals are fine. All ready for fields to be painted tomorrow – need experienced coaches to help.

COACH AND PLAYER DEVELOPMENT: Thanks to Mike Nelson for booking indoor sites for some of the travel teams.

STRATEGIC PLANNING: No Report.

FIELDS - John Steinberg reported the fields at Glenside Weldon more improved and we can move intramurals back there

SCHOLARSHIP: Funding and endowments for the scholarship funds will be addressed at the November or December meeting.

RULES: No Report.

FUNDRAISING: No Report.

SOCIAL: We will secure a date for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala by next meeting.

COMMUNITY LIASON: No Report.

COORDINATORS:

Intramurals: Bob D. reported Ernie West is hosting a “McKinley Night” on November 4th at PenBryn Lower Field and Clubhouse. It is a 6th grade parent/teacher/principle game and get together. Bob will start planning to have trainers for U-7 kids for next year –Beginning Spring 2012 training and possible summer sessions also. We are going to need 10- -12 trainers.

Travel: No Report.

INTERCOUNTY: No Report.

TOURNAMENT: Bert reported only 7 travel coaches are in attendance at the meeting and it is very frustrating. Coaches are responsible for attending the meetings. He needs more help, as usual the same people volunteer. Final review – 202 teams – registered and we had to shut registration early because we were full. We could have taken 300 teams if we had more fields. Next year we may partner with Upper Dublin so we can possibly have more fields and accommodate more teams. The Ukrainian Club tournament has only 79 teams – may not have impacted our numbers but our level of teams have gone down – we are second- tier tournament – Marketing ideas based on this to be discussed for next year. Since its Yum Kippur – scheduling this year will be: one game on Saturday and two games on Sunday. This year we will have a late day on Sunday for Championship – we need more help on Sunday for clean up. Weather vs. condition of fields – PenBryn field was raked today and will be aerated on Monday morning to fix the fields after the tournament. Four fields are unplayable and other fields need to be substituted for these fields – Two at Abington and two at Roslyn. Crestmont field, Thomas Williams and Cooper Beach will be substituted. Medals ready to go. Demisphere has an I-phone app to assist with scoring. The Board congratulated Bert for the great job he did organizing the Tournament.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: No Report

NEW BUSINESS: No Report

MISCELLEANOUS: No Report

GOOD AND WELFARE: No Report

ADJOURNED: Meeting adjourned at 8.54 P.M., the next meeting will be Thursday, November 3, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Dunn  
Secretary  
Hunter Soccer Club

