

MECHANICSBURG SOCCER CLUB

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Minutes of March, 2008 General Meeting of Membership

ATTENDANCE

Board	Key Volunteers	
X Shane Flemming (President)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jodi Klienert (registrar)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
X Neil Fowler (1 st V.P.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
X Rick Polan (2 nd V.P.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Kate Bixler (Treasurer)		
X Scott tochterman (Secretary)		

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Club President, Shane Flemming on Wednesday, March 26th. Others in attendance included: Curtis Moats, Sharon Magruder, Norm Wilson, Dennis Moshgat, Frank Ruskowski, Mike Derr, Ron Trace, Brad VanNostrand, Craig Kimmel, Joe Strauch, Layne Lebo

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Minutes had been distributed prior to the meeting. Shane motioned to approve, Neil seconded. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Provided by Shane Flemming)

- A review of the Treasurer's report was done. Following some discussion, the Board decided to defer approval of the report until the April next meeting.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- U6 players have been contacted by the WSA
- U7/U8 players will have 6 Boys teams, and 6 Girls teams, approximately 6-7 players per team.
- Uniforms will be provided to the coaches at the concession stand prior to the first game.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Dir. Of League Soccer):

- Neil noted that winter training would continue through the last week of March. It has been a successful developmental tool for players over the winter months.
- There will be 12 Spring League teams for MSC.
- Draft criteria for the Wildcat F.C. designation was distributed to the Board for review.
- Registration for the Fall season is still underway.
- New coaches' applications are still being accepted and processed. The Board will look carefully at respondents' philosophies to see that they are in line with the Club.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Shane raised the issue of a request from a parent of a special needs player and asked the board for suggestions. Frank R. noted that a similar situation had been brought before the Club in years past. Neil volunteered to look into the Camp Hill Topps program. Shane noted that the WSA program could be an option.

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COORDINATOR'S REPORTS, OLD BUSINESS AND NEW BUSINESS

- Registrar: Board members need to be sure that their RMAs are completed. Fall registration numbers are currently 75 for Rec and 125 for League. Fall numbers are currently lower for Rec and League than the prior year, which eventually had over 200 players in each category. Jodi noted that the end of March deadline is a "softer" deadline for rec than for League. Shane stated that he would send out another registration reminder. With respect to tryouts, new League players would be required to have their birth certificate with them. All other players must bring \$5 for tryout fee, complete a signed parent form, have a 1x1 picture of themselves for their new player passes, and sign a signature "strip" that would be incorporated into their players. Supernova would conduct League tryouts.
- Concession: Dennis, in lieu of Annette, noted that the schedule for all rec and League teams had been distributed. Dennis had inquired to the Township whether Friendship would have water turned on before the first game. Typically, this is done on or about April 11th due to weather. If water was not running, port-o-potties would be provided. Raffle – The concept of a raffle, or 50/50 tickets, as a fundraising idea was discussed, including where to buy tickets. Neil suggested the restaurant supply store across from the Cinema Center in Camp Hill. A check for the concession stand cash was provided for by Shane
- Equipment: Norm reported that bags had been passed out to all coaches. Chairs and paint have also arrived. Immediate needs include youth sized goalie gloves and uniforms, as well as numbered pinneys. Additional shelves in the storage area are also needed.
- Field Layout: Fields are in the process of being surveyed. Modifications are need to Field C. Field B will be a U10 Field. There was some discussion regarding future rec field needs and goals.
- Field Day: Scheduled for Saturday @ 8:30AM dependent upon the weather.
- Field Maintenance: Brad reported that Winding Hills are scheduled for completion in the Fall of 2009. With respect to existing fields, the repair of the goal mouths is a priority. Field D has not been graded but will be fertilized – no news on drainage solutions.
- Sponsorship: Wegmans is the official sponsor of the Spring program. Sam to follow-up with obtaining sponsorship plaque for our sponsors.
- Uniforms: There are shortages with Adidas. Temporary shirts / shorts must be ordered for a few players. Some concern was expressed regarding the 2-year uniform policy. Rec shirts are in.
- Strategic Planning Committee: Initial meeting was held by Tony, Niki, Barb and Alan Warshaw.
- Sumer Camp: Flyer is being distributed. Snapple will be the sponsor. Concession stand not likely to be open during camp.
- Park / Rec Committee: Two more fields would be made available to the Club in 2010 – Shane attended the Township meeting last week.
- Other items: Shane raised the issued of the need for a U5 program for younger players. There was general consensus among the board members that encouraging kids to try soccer at a young age was good for the Club, and that for the time being "U5" kids could be folded in with U6 players through the WSA format.
- Open Discussion: Ron raised the issue of referee abuse. Shane raised the issue of goal safety and the need to make sure all goals were properly secured. June 1st is the date for the Upper Allen Community Picnic. This date would not be available for make-up games.

NEXT MEETING:

Scheduled for April 30th at 7:30pm

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ADJOURNMENT.

Motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Tochterman
Secretary, Mechanicsburg Soccer Club