



PALATINE CELTIC SOCCER CLUB

April 9, 2008 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

President Bob Haas called the Palatine Celtic Soccer Club General Meeting to order at 7:37 PM.

The President recognized Club Members Mary Mitzner, Scott Malik and Chris Gattuso.

Attendance: 22 of 25.

A motion was made to accept the March 5, 2008 Meeting Minutes by Nick Sawyer and seconded by Paul Ernst. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report – Mark Dubinski:

- For the month of February 2008 the Club had net income of \$99,352, and year to date income of \$46,622.
- In addition to our recurring monthly interest income, general operating expenses and various travel expenditures, the third and final installment for the travel players fees were recorded. Other expenses for the month included \$1,860 for referee re-certifications and \$950 in application fees for the upcoming Celtic Cup.
- Cash decreased during the month by \$5,759. Travel receivables increased for the month by \$133,268.
- All potential open concerns regarding the 2007 financial statement audit have been resolved, and the audit field work is scheduled for Friday May 16th.

A motion was made to accept the February 29, 2008 Financial Statements by Terry Ruff and seconded by Nick Sawyer. The financial statements were unanimously approved.

1st Vice President –Mark Fink:

- Registration is complete.
- The Coaches Meeting had a great turnout.
- The fields are likely to be closed for the next several days.

Division Director Reports:

U8 Girls - Larry Marturano: Absent.

- Volunteer registration was disappointing, only two coaches showed up. I'll beat the bushes for additional coaches for the fall.
- I've been fielding lots of questions about when the fields will be ready. Might want to consider a mass emailing if you didn't cover this at the coaches meeting.
- If there are girls on the waiting list, I have coaches who will take extra players. Might want to keep an eye on spring conflicts to adjust team sizes right, there are usually more conflicts in the spring with softball.
- No other news, problems or concerns.

U8 Boys – Nick Sawyer:

- I have similar concerns. Three coaches have not picked up their schedules.

U10 Girls - Pam Dubinski:

- I need coaches for three teams.

U10 Boys – Jerry Milligan:

- One coach volunteered to assist another team.
- Next fall looks real good with most coaches returning.

U12 Girls - Terry Ruff:

- All is well.

U12 Boys - Dee Kohring:

- I have coaches for four teams next fall.

U14 Girls- Bill Havansek:

- I am still short a couple of coaches.
- Thanks to Kelly for working out a nine team schedule!

U14 Boys – Bob Clancy:

- I have three coaches for next fall I will need six.

Registrar – Terry Ruff:

- Girl's registration: U8-64, U10-83, U12-77, U14-88.
- Boy's Registration: U8-58, U10-71, U12-59, U14-38.

2nd Vice President - John Koeune:

- I have a handout giving you the 2008/2009 Travel Program Budget for your review. All fees are up \$25 giving us Fee Revenue of \$430,550.
- Expenses are projected at \$452,119 with coach's salaries and indoor practice space being the major expenses. Next season we are looking at using Kits in Lake Zurich and the new Lake Barrington Field House. The latter will have FieldTurf on a 75x110. The Barrington facility can accommodate six full size travel teams at a time.

A motion was made by Cynde Bruck and seconded by Kelly Carroll to accept the Travel Budget as presented. The motion passed.

- FCX recap: U14 Girls from FC Barrington, Lyons Township Soccer Club and Palatine Celtic combined to win three of four events they entered. They went to North Carolina to bring home the trophy as the US Club National Champions. They had already won the regional title but needed to compete against teams from across the country for the prestigious national title. The oldest high school girls from FC Barrington and Celtic Soccer played together and went 21-4-7. 17 of the 21 girls were scouted by college coaches. FCX has requested a meeting with Celtic to consider becoming a formal affiliated club of FCX.

Director of Player Development - Emina Zvizdich:

- A House Goal Keeper Clinic will be conducted Saturday April 26 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM at Celtic.
- That afternoon three Celtic Teams: U9 Girls Select, U13 Girls Premier and U12 Boys Select will play championship games of the Crystal Lake Tournament at Toyota Park before the Fire game.
- High school girl tryouts will be May 18 and June 1 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at Hamilton. Youth tryouts will be June 1-7 with June 8 as a rain date.
- Travel will offer a U8 Academy Program next fall for boys and girls that have birthdays after August 1, 2000. The cost will be \$500 and include two training sessions per week with small sided games on the weekends in a non-pressure environment. The fall will be eight weeks, winter eleven weeks and spring eight weeks. This program will be more cost effective for families with good training and include a Spring Festival Day with other club academies. We will offer two free house clinics: April 25 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM for Boys and May 9 for girls. A parent's informational meeting will be held May 27.
- We plan to man an informational Travel Tent at the House Tournament.

Girls Travel Director – Chris Powell:

- The girl's season starts this weekend and ends June 15.

Boys Travel Director - Mike Conklin:

- One boy's team started last weekend and the NISL season ends June 22.

Travel Coordinator – Jim Ehr:

- All Travel AR's have been loaded into our Arbiter system.

Park District - Donelda Danz:

- Bob Haas suggested the Park District display "Field Closed" signs so the Police Department can enforce the order.

Referee Director – Paul Ernst:

- We had a good turnout for new referees at our clinics. All have been loaded into the system.
- We have 500 House assignments posted and people are self assigning games.
- The Park District requires Time Sheets be submitted on Monday to be paid Friday on an every other week basis.
- Travel has set aside U8 and U9 games for first year referees to work and learn from mentors.

Equipment Director – Jim Messineo: Absent.

Match Secretary – Kelly Carroll:

- The House Program is all scheduled starting April 19.
- Only the Boys will have weeknight games scheduled this spring.
- The House Tournament is scheduled May 13-18 with a few minor changes to be made.
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Field Crew Director - Rich Boos:

- All equipment boxes are done.

Publicity Director - Liz Allen:

- April 23 is the deadline for the next "Footnotes".
- We are publishing quarterly and after the House Tournament.

Volunteer Director – Lisa Hanson-Braun: Absent.

Special Projects Director - Tony Lesniak:

- Travel Picture Day will be September 6 and House September 13.

Committee Reports:

Planning Committee – Terry Ellis:

- On March 18 the committee received a presentation from FieldTurf and W-T Civil Engineering. The characteristics and costs of the different FieldTurf products were discussed along with different engineering options to meet the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District's requirements. It became apparent to the committee that the costs associated with the project will require serious sponsorships and fundraising activities. With that in mind, Terry Ellis presented an example to the Board of the Barrington Community Stadium where the Friends of the Stadium Club has raised \$750,000 towards its \$1,000,000 goal. Check out their website: <http://www.horseshoeclub.org/>.

Rules Committee – Mark Fink: No report.

Palatine Celtic Cup Committee –Laurie White / Karen Plager: No report.

- A meeting will be held April 18, 7:30 PM at the Police Training room.

Old Business:

A motion was made by Terry Ruff and seconded by Jim Ehr to authorize the purchase of a 20'x20' tent with graphics not to exceed \$2,500. The motion passed.

New Business: None.

Good of the Order:

- It was suggested that "Over 40 Years of Celtic Tradition" be incorporated into a commemorative patch.
- Cynde Bruck reminded the Board that the Kinsella Cup is April 30 and also suggested we continue the tradition of the Biker Awards for House Coach of the Year.
- It was suggested we have a central data base of club parent's emails for next year.

Elections:

A motion was made by Chris Powell and seconded by Nick Sawyer to accept the 2008/2009 Board of Directors Slate of Candidates. The motion passed unanimously. The new Officers and Directors will assume their positions at the June 2 Board of Directors meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn by Paul Ernst and seconded by Rich Boos. It was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

The next Board Meeting will be Monday May 5, 2008 7:30PM at the Community Center.

Terry Ellis
Secretary