



PALATINE CELTIC SOCCER CLUB

August 11, 2008 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

President Terry Ellis called the Palatine Celtic Soccer Club General Meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Attendance: 18 (24 Voting, 13 Majority Simple, 16 Majority 2/3rds)

Guests in attendance: Keith Williams Palatine Park District, Laurie White, Karen Plager, Glenn Lewiston, Rich Geisel, Doug Plager

A motion was made to accept the July 7, 2008 Meeting Minutes by Paul Ernst and seconded by Michael Conklin. After some discussion the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Mark Dubinski:

Mark provided the following report:

The Club had a net loss for the month of \$(59,956), and a year to date net loss of \$(20,930).

In addition to our recurring monthly interest income, general operating expenses and various travel expenditures, we received \$22,435 in park district registration fees and \$648 in revenue sharing. We also paid \$1,277 for our annual crime insurance policy premium through the park district, paid \$1,999 for the annual website lease fee and paid several expenses relating to the house tournament.

Cash increased during the month by \$63,790. A new cash account was set up at the Palatine Bank & Trust entitled Maxsafe Reserve. This account features the ability to maintain combined balances over \$100,000 without exceeding the FDIC limits. This is accomplished by utilizing various subsidiaries of the Wintrust Group and is insured up to a maximum of \$1,500,000. The interest rate paid is competitive and gives us the ability to easily access our funds through a single account.

Travel receivables, as of June 2008, are reflected as a negative \$(96,586), representing net deposits received from sign in night. This accounts for the majority of our cash balance increase. The first installment billing for travel fees was made in early August, at which time the deposits were offset.

The 2007 audited financial statements and tax return have been completed by the independent auditors and were received today.

1st Vice President – Terry Ruff:

- Coaches draft meetings are done without any issues
- Dates were provided for the house coaching clinics and keeper training for players and coaches
- The house coaches equipment night has been set for Friday August 22nd 7:00pm at the senior center

Division Director Reports

U8 Girls - Larry Marturano: Absent

U8 Boys – Scott Malak: Nothing to Report

U10 Girls - Pam Dubinski:

- Draft went ok.

U10 Boys – Jerry Milligan:

- Email report
14 Teams were formed for the 08-09 season, all the kids on the wait list have been assigned to a team, so team sizes are 12-13 players. Only (1) assistant coach is also coaching the U8's (maybe girls). A majority of the coaches have previous experience coaching U8 or U10. Only 3-4 coaches are in their first season.

The coaches are looking forward to the clinic(s) and the start of the season.

U12 Girls – Chris Gattuso:

- Draft went well, 10 teams, 2 coaches per team

U12 Boys - Dee Kohring:

- All good

U14 Girls- Bill Havansek:

- Email report - I have to go with 9 teams but will work out a viable schedule with Kelly and Truff. I have all my coaches.

U14 Boys – Bob Clancy:

- Everything is good

2nd Vice President – Emina Zvizdich:

- Email report
- The House Coaches clinics are scheduled for Aug 14 and 15 at Hamilton (north end) from 6-7:15pm.
- The House GK clinic is scheduled for Aug 23 from 9-10am for U8-U10 players and 10-11am for U12-U14 players all at Celtic on the east side. The fee for the clinics is \$100 per hr for Doug plus \$15 per staff per hour. The trick is the amount of staff he gets to help will be dependent on the number of players we have show up.

Director of Player Development – Chris Powell: No report

Girls Travel Director – Dan Reynolds:

- 224 players IWSL registered – Schedules are posted

Boys Travel Director - Mike Conklin:

- 12 teams 161 players U9 – U14 YSSL boys schedules are posted, MISL schedule will be posted 8/24/08, boys travel tryouts 9/7/08

Travel Coordinator – Mary Mitzner: Nothing to Report

Park District - Donelda Danz:

- Ron Gbur, Keith Williams, and Donelda have been reviewing the affiliates programs and what members are being paid, such as ref's, business manager etc. It was stated that the Park District does want diversification of club monies in banks to make sure they have FDIC coverage. Mark Dubinski stated that he a conversation with the Director Finance and they had agreed that the clubs current situation is in accordance with their request for diversification. The park district will not allow the club to have 2 signors on checks in the same household. There was discussion as to Pam Dubinski can take the Business Manager position and just not be a signor on the checking accounts. Donelda will ask the Park District for confirmation on this solution. The is no conflict with a Pam being a House Director and Business Manager.

- Keith Williams spoke to the fact that the Park District continues to look at exposures and the public perception of Affiliate activities. The Park District's counsel has suggested a review of the Affiliate guidelines be reviewed, to see if there are appropriate checks and balances. Bob Haas stated that they annual audit by and outside accountant should be sufficient oversight. Keith stated they the Affiliate guidelines will be reviewed with the PALS committee
- Donelda stated the Park District can help the club set up guidelines and assistance in hiring in the future but it is up to the club to adopt the practices. She stated that she and the HR manager for the Park District could assist in the interview process. Dan Reynolds stated that the club does have holes in its hiring process.

Referee Director – Paul Ernst:

- Confirmed with Josh for approx 125 people the band Room 1B for August 26th at 7:00 – 9:00. New referees required to be there at 7:00, existing refs house and travel at 7:30
- I would like to propose a little bit of a new agenda for the referee meeting.
- 7:00 – 7:30 for New Refs for Park District employee overview, Arbiter, timesheet and payment procedures. PPD and/or Paul Ernst
- 7:45 – 8:00 for Review of performance, rule changes, incidents, etc Mike Conklin
- 7:45 – 8:00 House Review: new field sizes, # of players, house rule changes. Paul Ernst
- 8:00 – 8:30 Travel Referee: process, initial schedule, assignments Mike Conklin or Jim??
- Paul received the renewal bill for the Arbiter

Equipment Director – Jimmy Messineo:

- Uniforms, socks, blood kits, and ice packs have been ordered, coaches shirts will be green this year

Match Secretary – Kelly Carroll: Absent

Field Crew Director – Mark Fink:

- Walked the fields with Corey from the park district and agreed with the work that needed to be done and found some other areas that also needed work. The additional work was quote at \$1,000. Terry Ellis stated that he had received the invoice for all the work including the addition and it totaled \$4,725, the original estimate for the initial work was \$5,061.50, Terry Ellis will confirm with Corey from the Park District that the invoice is correct. Mark stated that he was not happy with some of the work, Bob Haas made a motion to allow Mark Fink and Terry Ellis to do what is needed to make sure the fields are safe and ready to go, motion was seconded by Chris Gattuso and passed unanimously
- Asked why the Park District had not moved the boxes after the Spring season, Donelda stated they are only moved before winter
- Asked for approval to replace the locks on the field boxes in the amount of \$432.50, club approved the expenditure
- The club will be going to stiff corner and will need to purchase some new 6ft field boxes, Dan Reynolds asked if the old 4ft boxes could be used by travel coaches to store their equipment, Mark fink will make that happen.

Publicity Director - Liz Allen:

- The Footnotes has gone out, the cost of mailing footnotes is \$900
- There was discussion about emailing Footnotes in the future, Donelda stated other clubs were emailing, decision was made to email in the future
- Liz asked that directors to send match reports to her for submission to the papers

Volunteers & Activities Director - Tony Lesniak:

- Picture days are scheduled for September 6 for Travel, September 13 for House, house pictures have been moved to Fremd High School.

Committee Reports

Planning Committee –Terry Ellis:

- Terry reviewed the August 2nd, meeting with the Park District with regards to the Falcon Park turf field. Members made suggestions for additional seating, areas to store players equipment, and that the Park District did not need to spend money for nets around the field

Rules Committee – Terry Ruff: No report

Palatine Celtic Cup Committee – Laurie White:

- Have received 427 application for this year's cup and accepted 349 teams
- Participants will be able to order from the t-shirt vendor on line and pick up them up at the cup to alleviate long lines, there will be various food vendors at both Hamilton and Celtic
- 3 team reps have yet to attend a meeting

Old Business:

- Terry Ellis thanked Laurie White and Karen Plager for their years of hard work with the Celtic Cup and also recognized others in attendance Bob Haas, Mark Fink, Pam Dubinski, Jimmy Messineo, and Mark Dubinski for their many volunteer hours to the Celtic Cup.
- Terry Ellis stated a number of volunteers will be leaving the cup this year and we should all be looking for people interested in joining the cup committee

New Business:

- Terry Ellis discussed the Sonic Car Wash Fundraising program, with no positive comments the idea was dropped.
- Mark Fink asked to have the Park District contact him in regards to field issues
- Jimmy Messineo asked to have Doug Plager, Glenn Lewiston, and Rich Geisel recognized to give their opinion on the possible U8 level rule change. Doug Plager spoke on behalf of the group, they were not in favor of the rule change and they felt that an 8v8 format was appropriate for the U8 division
- Kinsella Cup is October 8th – Tony Lesniak and Terry Ruff to coordinate U8 teams for the half time
- Mark Fink commented on the use of the Roberts Rules of Order and why everyone should vote

Good of the Order:

- Nothing good for the order this month

A motion was made to adjourn by Bob Haas and seconded by Michael Conklin. It was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 9:14 PM.

The next Board meeting will be Monday September 8, 2008 7:30PM at the Community Center.

Terry Ruff
Secretary for the Moment