



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

February 4, 2012

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

Attendance: 12 voting and 3 non-voting members

Officers:		Present	Directors:		Present
President	Terry Ruff	Y	Girls Travel	Chris Gattuso	N
1st VP – House	Matt Roberts	Y	Boys Travel	Joe Soltykiewicz	Y
2nd VP – Travel	Tony Mulert	N	Match Secretary	Kelly Carroll	Y
Secretary	Larry Marturano	N	Referees	Mike Conklin	N
Treasurer	Shawna Brauer	Y	Fields	Jim Burke	Y
House Directors:			Director of Special Projects	Dee Kohring	N
U 8 Girls	Josh Langell	N	Immediate Past President	Terry Ellis	Y
U 8 Boys	Rob Rogers	Y	Non-Voting:		
U 10 Girls	Sara Kasanders	Y	Park District Liaison	Donelda Danz	Y
U 10 Boys	Brett Soukup	Y			
U 12 Girls	Jen DeFranco	Y			
U 12 Boys	Bob Haas	Y (7:45)			
U 14 Girls	Mark Fink	N			
U 14 Boys	Alan Burton	N			

Also in Attendance:		Present
Director of Coaching	Derek Niepomnik	N
Celtic Cup Director	Laurie White	N
Asst. Celtic Cup Dir.	Karen Plager	Y
Controller	Christine Donahue	Y

Two corrections were made to the January minutes.

*Motion was made by Joe Soltykiewicz to approve the **January** Board meeting minutes, seconded by Kelly Carroll.*

No discussion.

11 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstained.

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Shawna Brauer

1. Controller position filled



The Board welcomes Christine Donohue, who joins us as Club Controller!

2. Accounts Receivable/Billing recap
3. 1099s filed
4. Auditor search update
5. December financial recap

HOUSE

1st Vice President – Matt Roberts

1. The first planning meeting for the spring house tournament was last week. The next meeting will be later this month.
2. I would like to remind the Division Directors to make sure the team rosters for their division are up-to-date. I will need to know the largest roster size for each division for the trophy order and also if there is any open roster spots in case a parent inquires about registering for spring.
3. Some important dates coming up:
 - a. Early Volunteer Registration: March 9, 10AM-12PM at Birchwood.
 - b. Dick's Sporting Goods Celtic Shopping Day: March 9, 12PM to 4PM at the Arlington Heights store.
 - c. Spring House Coach's meeting: April 3, at 7:30 PM @ Palatine Senior Center
 - d. House Tournament coach's meeting: May 8, at 7:30 PM @ Palatine Senior Center.

Division Director Reports

U8 Girls – Josh Langell

1. No report.

U8 Boys – Rob Rogers

1. Nothing to report.

U10 Girls – Sara Kasanders

1. Nothing to report.

U10 Boys – Brett Soukup

1. No report.

U12 Girls – Jen DeFranco

1. Nothing to report.

U12 Boys – Bob Haas

1. No report.

U14 Girls – Mark Fink

1. No report.



U14 Boys – Alan Burton

1. Quest Academy has requested to scrimmage either U14 Boys or U14 Girls teams at their new field on one or more (and hopefully all) of these dates: April 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30; May 7 & 9.
2. At least two (2) of the U14B teams have agreed to scrimmage the Quest Academy team this spring.

TRAVEL

Director of Coaching – Derek Niepomnik

1. **Chicago Soul FC** ~ Celtic night Friday; February 8th. Ticket information flier has been posted on the Celtic webpage (thanks Chris) and emails have been sent to all players / coaches. Also, been posted on the Celtic FaceBook page. **Chicago Red Stars**, still waiting for the 2013 schedule to be released to determine a date or two to support this women's pro team in our area. **Chicago Fire Night**, tentatively set for Sunday; April 7th versus NEW York RedBulls. Home opener for the Fire.
2. **Player evaluation meetings** – Most all coaches have completed their parent / player meetings to date. Still a couple finishing up at this point, but has been a good turn around from the staff.
3. **Parent Survey** was sent out through Survey Monkey. I will be looking these over soon to see any glaring issues with our programming or staff coaches. I also look for good praise within our programs and staff coaches and try to pass on this info when possible.
4. **Signed up for a Soccer Mentors program**, through the GK Project, LLC www.soccermentors.com This will be used for the house and travel staff, as a parent education platform and session idea library primarily for the house coaches. The program is designed by 2 very highly regarded soccer professionals and I trust it will be more than beneficial to our club. We are the first club to take part. Cost for the program was \$150 annually. There will be a club access code that coaches can use to access session videos and parent education videos.
5. **CelticSC fundraiser and season kickoff event.** (tentative date ~ Sunday; August 18th)
Right now, 2 foundations that are being considered:
 - **Lurie Children's Hospital Chicago** – Circle of Friends program http://www.luriechildrens.org/en-us/ways-to-get-involved/get-involved/Pages/circle_of_friends.aspx
 - **Shot @ Life** : United Nations Foundation Project Jennifer DeFranco can speak further about this program as she is directly involved and has great things to say about it. <http://shotatlife.org/>

I have inquired about using Falcon Recto to assure there would be no rainouts and that we can keep the kids out of the August heat, which is my biggest concern. We would have the entire facility at our disposal for the 13 hours total we would need it (including set up / breakdown) for just under \$2800. We can have games running on the turf and on the basketball courts, along with other activities. Pledge sheet samples provided per request.



6. I still would like to have the club participate in the Palatine St. Patricks Day Event, the Market area would be best in my eyes. Any word about this Terry?

<http://www.elizeventsinc.com/stpatspalatine/>

<http://www.elizeventsinc.com/stpatspalatine/PDFs/2013EntryLetterAppl.pdf>

<http://www.elizeventsinc.com/stpatspalatine/PDFs/2013VendorLetterAppl.pdf>

YSSL Boys scheduling meeting that day, but is manageable

2nd Vice President, Travel – Tony Mulert

1. Nothing to report.

Girls Travel Director – Chris Gattuso

1. Nothing to report.

Boys Travel Director – Joe Soltykiewicz

Important upcoming league dates:

YSSL League (U8 to U14)

-Mandatory Seeding Meeting – Sunday, Feb. 24 at YSSL Office

8:00 a.m. U8

8:45 a.m. U9

9:30 a.m. U10

10:15 a.m. U11

11:00 a.m. U12

11:45 a.m. U13

12:30 p.m. U14

1:00 p.m. U15-19

-Mandatory Scheduling Meeting – Saturday, March 16 at Libertyville Sports Complex

8:00 a.m. U8

9:00 a.m. U9

10:00 a.m. U10

11:00 a.m. U11

12:30 p.m. U12

1:30 p.m. U13

2:30 p.m. U14

3:30 p.m. U15-19

-Spring season begins on April 13 and ends on Jun 8

NISL League – HS Boys (U15-U18)

-DOC and Club Admin/Spring Ranking and Division meeting – Wednesday, Feb 13 10:30am-12:30pm or 7pm-9pm at Holiday Inn at 3405 Algonquin, Rolling Meadows

-Mandatory Scheduling Meeting – Sunday, March 17 - location and exact times TBA



-Spring season begins on April 27 and ends on June 30

Park District – Donelda Danz

1. Minutes need to be updated on the website.

Referee Director – Mike Conklin

1. New ref clinic completed, over 30 local youth passed.

Match Secretary – Kelly Carroll

1. Nothing to report.

Field Crew Director – Jim Burke

1. No report.

Special Projects Director – Dee Kohring

1. Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning Committee – Terry Ruff

1. The Park District will approve shelters at Celtic Park with the agreement that Celtic Soccer pay ½ the cost of the construction.

Rules Committee – Matt Roberts

1. Nothing to report.

Palatine Celtic Cup Committee – Laurie White / Karen Plager

1. Nothing to report.

Website Committee – Chris Gattuso

1. Nothing to report.

Slate Committee – Terry Ruff

1. Nothing to report.

Old Business:

- 1.

New Business:

1. Jen DeFranco gave an update on the fundraiser ideas that Derek raised last month.

Motion was made by Sara Kasanders approve Shot@Life Foundation Project as the charity to support for the Celtic Soccer fundraiser, seconded by Bob Haas.

Discussion: Jen DeFranco provided some background about the Shot@Life Foundation Project.



12 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstained.

Motion Passed

2. Jen DeFranco announced that the Palatine School District 15 Education Foundation is having a Monopoly Board fundraiser and is looking for businesses and organizations to purchase squares on the board.

Motion was made by Brett Soukup to purchase a space on the board up to the amount of \$350, seconded by Terry Ellis.

No discussion.

12 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstained.

Motion Passed

Announcements:

1. Terry Ruff announced that Jim Schwantz is organizing a new youth flag football league that will be friendly to multi-sport athletes. Games will not conflict with Celtic Soccer. Jim asked if we would announce this new league to our club members and likewise they will help promote our club to their members.

A motion was made by Jim Burke to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Kelly Carroll.

It was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

The next Board meeting will be **Monday, March 4 at 7:30PM** at Community Center, 2A.

Larry Marturano, Secretary