

**Watertown Soccer Club
Board Meeting Minutes
December 21, 2009**

Attendees: Bill Oswald, Greg Schroeder, Kim Schroeder, Greg Foltz, Katie Schroeder, Jamie Gwidt, Mohamed Yafai, Sam Galaviz, Andy Evans, Chris Braunschwig, Dave Weisbecker, Todd Rohrer and Gary Fisk

Absent: Judy Maas

Called to order: 6:31 pm

Previous meeting minutes: The minutes of November 16, 2009 were reviewed. A motion was made by Greg Schroeder and seconded by Sam Galaviz to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was approved by the board members.

President: Bill Oswald

- Dave Weisbecker was invited to discuss the foot skills clinic he has organized. There will be clinic for children in all age groups. There will be a maximum of 20 students per session. Dave asked about a mailing list, he was directed to Registrar, Judy Maas. Sam Galaviz asked about contacting high school age children. Dave will e-mail his list of high school kids and e-mail a copy of the flyer to Sam so he can print it and hand out to interested individuals.
- Bill with Katie Schroeder, Sam Galaviz and John VonKlopp, report will follow later in the minutes.

Secretary: Gary Fisk

- Will send an E-mail of the agenda for the Annual Meeting to the Watertown Daily Time.

Treasurer: Greg Schroeder

- Treasurer's Report: Previous Balance \$15,242.95
 1 deposit totaling \$650.94
 2 payments totaling \$473.99
 Balance on 12/21/09 \$15,419.90

Referee: Kim Schroeder

- Kim said she e-mailed two arbiters about setting up the clubs schedule; she heard back from one individual that would charge \$1 per game which would be about \$48.00.
- Kim talked to Kelly Pochop to check if the date has been set for the planned January 23 referee course.
- She will draft a letter to send to parents and ask individuals who are interested in being a referee. Information will also be sent out to the Lakeside Lutheran coach and Luther Prep coach.

Fundraising: Jamie Gwidt

- The high school has the remaining soccer club inventory; the club should be receiving a check. Greg Schroeder said that any check should be sent to the club's address.
- Jamie said she will be meeting with Outreach after the beginning of the year to brainstorm for fundraising ideas in the New Year.

Outreach: Greg Foltz

- Greg said Outreach will meet in January to come up with registration dates.
- Working on clothing form.
- Asked if the club wants to hold a coach's night this year. After some discussion the idea will be put on hold till next month, a date and time can be set then.

Vice-President: Mohamed Yafai

- Reported that he has not heard anything from MAYSA on the grant to purchase new movable goals. He will follow up on this and report next month.

Coaching: Sam Galaviz

- Sam we need to provide coaches with the proper skills they need to coach the players.
- Should start recruiting new coaches, emphasized that the club should look at current high school players.
- Suggested the idea of rotating coaches for practices, it can be beneficial to the players as well as the coaches.

Registration:

- It was reported that there might be a parent who is interested in filling the Registrar position when it comes up for election in Annual Meeting held in January.

New Business: Report on Sub-Committee

- The ideas that the Sub-Committee gave to the board include:
 - The need for someone to come in once and awhile to coach the club teams.
 - Some coaches feel they have peaked and cannot take their teams any further.
 - Have a well known coach come and teach.
- The Sub-Committee suggested that the club consider the following:
 - Hold a one day coach's session, sometime in early March.
 - After the session is held starting in April through mid-May you would have a coach come in several days a week, i.e. Monday and Friday. This would involve training each team level.
 - It was also mentioned that coaches would like to have training that focus exclusively on goalkeeping.

- Bill reported on his meeting with Katie, Sam and John. It seems from the meeting that John is interested in helping. The club needs to be specific on what we want; this will allow John to focus on the topic.
 - John is also willing to help coaches on an as needed basis.
 - John would also be interested in running some summer camps if he is needed.

- The idea of trainer was sent back to the Sub-Committee. They were asked to look at the position and decide what we as club want the person to do. Some of the comments that followed were:
 - The club would need to put together topics/ideas together before the season begins so the trainer would be prepared to teach.
 - Should have a paid trainer; they will help to ensure that they are committed to seeing the position succeed.
 - Money doesn't need to come specifically from registration fees.
 - If we add more days of practice what is the coach's commitment? Coaches already have practice several days a week will they want to attend several more practices?
 - This position is geared toward player development not coaches development. Coaches would be welcomed to attend and learn what is being done. The idea is to train the players.

Adjourned: A motion was made by Greg Schroeder and seconded by Jamie Gwidt to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

Respectfully Submitted
Gary Fisk