

WFB Soccer Club  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 17, 2009

**Board Members Present:** Whil, Jon, Tracy, Heather, Margaret, Sarah, Megan, Paul, Sal, Ron

**General Topics:**

1. Last meeting minutes approved
2. Next board meetings are: Monday March 16<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm, Monday April 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm, Monday May 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm and Monday June 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:00 pm.
3. ACL Program: Sue Reed gave Paul a contract and Paul will scan it and email it to all board members. We will then confirm dates. Sal will put a schedule together with Sue by February 24<sup>th</sup> for training in the spring season. The cost is \$25.00 per hour for 10 hours of training time. The coaching staff will be trained for free. The program is for all select players of all ages. The training will also be offered to all rec coaches with U 11 and above teams.
4. Bylaws: No progress here from Backe. Paul and Ron will follow up with him and have a rough draft by our next board meeting.

**Director of Coaching Report:**

1. Newsletter: Sal has the information for the next newsletter together and it will go out by March 2<sup>nd</sup>. He wants to include the one year calendar in it and is waiting for final dates.  
Sue needs the new password from Sal so she can upload sports news. Sal will get this to Sue. Topics suggested to include in the next newsletter were - Wave Night (March 15<sup>th</sup>), tournament results, pre select clinics, gray team explanation and futsal update.
2. Futsal In winter update: Up to 90 kids slightly down from last year. Possible reasons are economy and other sports conflicting. The soccer school kids have more attendees than last year.
3. Indoor Tournament: Sal thought overall it went well. He felt we were short 2 to 3 teams at Uihlein. One complaint from Mequon about having late games. A suggestion from Rob Harrington (FC guy) to go to the 3/1/0 scoring system. Sal said we will modify to that scoring for next year. Paul did the trophy presentations and suggested we get a banner made to take pictures by. He also suggested putting merchandise for sale closer to

trophy room and directions to the trophy room. Paul also suggested looking into a raffle idea for another fundraiser.

Sal said we need to address the Field House for next Year. Everett will not be able to help us with the boards, storage, transportation etc. All the people involved at the Field House are not in our club. We also need to address the younger teams and Memorial Gym. We are not done with it and will work harder for next year to get more local and younger teams. TO DO: Sal will schedule a post tournament meeting and email us the information one week from today.

#### **Financial Update:**

See Megan's handout. The budget committee will meet tomorrow night.

#### **Board Job Descriptions & Organizational Chart:**

Sue needs Doug's job description list. TO DOs: Paul will send out the chart to all via email. Sue will update us on what's missing. Sue has all those already completed. We need the job descriptions on our website by the annual meeting so we can fill needs. Paul will talk to Doug and get his up to date job description for Rec coordinator. By next month between March and April meeting we will post all job descriptions and post needs for the open positions on our website.

Tracy made a motion that as a board we work to move toward a more structured and formal process for potential board candidates. She feels we need a nominating and screening process. Whil offered to work with Tracy on this and set up a screening process and be on the committee. Whil and Tracy will have a rough draft of the structure of the process by the April meeting. The rec coordinator job is a crucial one to fill so we must have this process ready by the April meeting.

#### **Kickers Liaison/Regional Director Report:**

Paul has a meeting tomorrow. He has nothing new to report. What do we want him to bring to the meeting? Update on Uihlein fields – what is going on out there?

Teams for indoor – Why do they combine age groups and always put us with all our own clubs teams?

Summer camp – Are they doing any? Sal talked to Jerry and he said NO. We don't want their camp help. They still may do the festival.  
Sal – If they take any of our coaches Sal will have a fit!!

### **Field Reports:**

Ron has a draft of the schedule for the WFB fields from Mark Horowitz. This year we do have a few rec games scheduled at Lubar. Tracy will talk to Sean about getting as many games as possible at Lubar. We can get up to 60 hours but we don't want it to get too costly. Our new field will continue to be a huge draw due to the superior quality of it and our weather issues.

### **Rec Coordinator Report:**

The replacement process is more crucial as time passes. Much of what this job entails is fast approaching. The rec coordinator leads the coaches meetings, trains age coordinators, helps with May registration and team formations. Names were floated and discussed. When Tracy finds someone Doug will train them.

In the mean time the rec coaches meeting needs to be scheduled and Margaret has volunteered to book this. It will be Monday April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at Lydell. Sal will talk to Beth to find out what needs to be in the packets to hand out. Ron said that with the new email system Beth can email all the teams the forms, releases and schedules to teams so going forward we may not need this Spring meeting.

### **Select Coordinators Report:**

The High School boys' teams are up and running.

Tracy and Sarah are working on a brochure about our club and all it has to offer. They are also redoing the packet for select registration. Some changes to the packet will be the commitment – setting expectations of the kids and parents, the access you have as a member of the club, club calendar with timeline, possibility of being asked to sub on another team, possible extra practices for premier level teams and questions about the try out process. Paul suggested we try to keep parents farther away at try outs. He said having a roving board member to answer questions for parents may be helpful.

Another suggestion was having a fee for the try outs. To help prevent many of the teams from folding. Tracy and Sarah will talk about the process and bring it back to us.

**Special Events/Marketing Report:**

Whitefish bay Wave Night – It is Sunday March 15 at 2:00pm. Margaret suggested we give something to the team with the most attendees. This will also be on the website. Paul suggested we talk this up and get lots of interest. Paul will talk to Jenny at the Wave office about getting us a block so we can sit together as a club.

Logo wear - What is left from tournament will be sold off at try outs and picture day. Last year all the stuff was sold.

**Open Topic:**

Member email: Tracy mentioned that we don't have a link on our site or anything that explains our team structures and levels of commitment. She understood member's concern and offered to write something that can be accessed on our site to answer any questions. She will also contact member and speak with him personally.

Rec program improvements - It was agreed that we need much more information for people to access to answer questions they have about soccer, our club, our affiliation with Kickers and the teams. This will be our work in progress going forward.

Paul suggested scheduling a meeting with rec coaches in March as an open forum where they can ask questions and share any concerns.

*Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.*