

Grafton Soccer Club Board Meeting Minutes
Sunday, June 13, 2010

2009/2010 and 2010/2011 Board Members Present: Tricia Wessel-Blaski, Jim Eidman, Tina Arnold, Don Arnold, Ann Smaxwill, Christi Klaus, Ron Lauters, Michelle Pedersen, Peter Kugi, Kim King, Kevin Wise, Paul Skalecki, Barb Vandenberg, Becky Wagner, Kay Schnell, Gretchen Vieselmann, Julie Gramoll, Julie Demerath

Guests: Jason Braaten

I. Call to Order (Tricia Wessel-Blaski):

- A. Tricia called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

II. Minutes (Christi Klaus):

- A. May 2010 Minutes: Tricia asked that a motion be made to approve the May minutes. Kim made a motion. Tina seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.
- B. April 2010 Minutes & 2010 Annual Meeting Minutes: Kim pointed out that Dane's name was incorrectly spelled on the Annual Meeting Minutes. Christi will make that change. Kim will make the change on her copy. Tricia asked that a motion be made to approve the April and 2010 Annual Meeting minutes. Kim made a motion. Michelle seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

III. Treasurer's Report (Ann Smaxwill):

- A. Budget: Ann asked that everyone take a look at the numbers that pertain to your position. She will be transitioning the Treasurer position to Kay. You may pass along any input, questions, etc. to Kay.
- B. April & May 2010 Financials: Tricia asked that a motion be made to approve the April and May Financials. Ron made a motion and Peter seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

IV. President's Report (Tricia Wessel-Blaski):

- A. Meeting Dates for 2010/2011: All the meeting dates are set for the next year.
- B. Committee Annual Reports: Please pass along all pertinent information to the individuals taking over your position on the board.
- C. Communication Protocol and Timing of Responses:
- i. Tricia is working on streamlining how we communicate with each other. She is looking at possibly using Gmail so that calendars can be shared.
 - ii. Again, if there are immediate concerns or questions, please phone someone rather than email.
 - iii. The possibility of using a more organized email system was discussed – for example: president@graftonsoccerclub.org. The email would then be directed to your email of choice. These email addresses could then be passed on to future board members.
 - iv. Michelle brought up that Ann is sending out our "email blasts" – we need to assign someone to this responsibility since it really does not fall under the Registrar's position. Kim offered to do the blasts. Tricia reminded everyone to have the email blast written in the format you want so that it is ready to be sent. Kim should not have to edit/create the email.
 - v. Peter asked that we update the emails for all the team managers-some are incorrect. Michelle indicated that at Thursday's meeting, we will be collecting that information from the managers as well as from the other team volunteers. Michelle also needs a coach listing to remind parents to bring birth certificates and pictures.
 - vi. Tricia cannot have the Select rosters created until after the 72 hour waiting period and all responses have been received.
 - vii. It was decided to go forward with looking at emails ending in @graftonsoccerclub.org.

V. Soccer Update (Tricia Wessel-Blaski & Don Arnold):

- A. Tryouts: Tricia thought the tryouts were well attended. Players will receive notification on Monday.
- i. It looks like we should have a girls U11 team and U12 team, but not U13 or U14. It also looks like we will have the following boys teams: U11, U12, U13 and U14 (2) Tricia reminded everyone that these numbers can change depending on what parents/players decide over the next three days.
 - ii. The mandatory parent meeting is this Thursday at the high school. There will be paper registration available. Ann did indicate that online registration will be encouraged in the email parents receive – with an explanation that they can write a check to avoid the \$10 fee.

VI. Recreational Registrar (Ann Smaxwill):

- A. Current Outlook: Ann reported that registration is very slow. There will be a reminder sent out this week.
 - i. Academy: Information did go out regarding the Academy Teams and a parent meeting was held. Don is looking at forming these teams by June 24th.
 - ii. Tricia indicated that our goal is to have teams (both boys and girls) at the U7/U8/U9/U10 levels. Parents may contact either Don or Tricia if they are interested in more information.

VII. Kick up the Heat Tournament Update (Missie Braaten Krueger):

- A. Update: Missie was unable to attend the meeting. Tricia reported that there is not a lot of activity right now. She is hoping to see more once the Select teams are formed. Each of our Select teams will have a tournament liaison – and those volunteers will need to meet in the next week or so.

VIII. WYSA Board Meeting Summary (Tricia Wessel-Blaski):

- A. Tricia attended the meeting. Our district has not had a representative for a year. She is thinking of taking that position.
 - i. They are currently reviewing insurance for Futsal, as well as evaluating Academy Teams (no tryouts, age appropriateness).

IX. Website:

- A. Kim indicated that it is almost ready to go. A link was emailed to everyone so that they could take a look.
 - i. Tricia would like to create a Shutterfly site so that people can submit and post photos. A waiver would have to be created for parents to sign. Jim thought it would be a good idea to incorporate that into registration next year.

IX. New Business:

- A. Gretchen works at Columbia St. Mary's and the Grafton Soccer Club was mentioned in their newsletter for the donations that were made to the children of Afghanistan. These donations were made at the High School clinic last month.
 - i. Don would like to promote the donations more next year – this year we were short on time.
- B. Don mentioned that the High School Girls will be playing in the state tournament on Friday at 12:00 pm (Uihlein). He urged everyone to attend!
- C. Gretchen expressed her concern about how her family was treated this past season. Her daughter played on the U11 Girls team. She felt that the other parents were not very welcoming. This past week, her daughter tried out for both Grafton and Cedarburg, which was their family's decision. She has received phone calls and emails from parents regarding their status. She is very disappointed in how these parents have acted.
 - i. Tricia apologized for the unpleasant experience. She stressed that we all need to be welcoming to new families that may be on our teams next year.

X. Old Business:

- A. 2010 Fundraiser:
 - i. On June 4, 2010, Ann made the motion included in the attached email. Peter seconded the motion. There was then an e-vote where the motion was passed with 11 votes. The informational flyer is being posted on the website.

X. Future Meetings:

July 18, 2010, 6 pm, Lower Level, Legion Hall
August 22, 2010 6 pm, Lower Level, Legion Hall

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm.
Minutes Recorded by Christi Klaus, Secretary