

Grafton Soccer Club Board Meeting Minutes
Sunday, September 19, 2010

2010/2011 Board Members Present: Tricia Wessel-Blaski, Don Arnold, Christi Klaus, Ron Lauters, Michelle Pedersen, Peter Kugi, Kim King, Kevin Wise, Paul Skalecki, Kay Schnell, Sara Rapp, Julie Demerath

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

A. Tricia called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. Minutes (Christi Klaus):

A. August 2010 Minutes: Tricia asked that a motion be made to approve the August minutes. Ron made a motion. Michelle seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

III. Treasurer's Report (Kay Schnell):

A. July & August Financials:

i. Soccership information has not been fully loaded – the P&L impact would be zero as we are moving funds within the group.

a. Tricia indicated that we are over budget with soccerships. This spring we need to be specific as far as what is covered.

ii. The summer fundraiser is partially in. There are separate lines for this fundraiser, but basically the majority of buyouts are only included. The rest will be in September.

iii. Select Outdoor tournament is not completely in.

iv. Tricia asked that a motion be made to approve the July Financials. Christi made a motion. Peter seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.
Tricia asked that a motion be made to approve the August Financials. Julie made a motion. Ron seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

B. Fundraising Income: Kay would like to see these dollars listed separately in the financials so that they may be earmarked for field improvements.

C. Family Credit: Kay reported that the fundraiser increased the family credit account by over \$5,000. There was discussion as to how these dollars should be disbursed to the families. Julie thought that in the past, families had the opportunity to use the dollars only at certain times during the year.

i. Kay indicated that it is the same amount of work to apply the dollars now, versus next year. It was decided that families should have access now for indoor, etc. Rec families will have to wait since they do not have these additional costs.

ii. Julie and Kay confirmed that the tracking is done through the Gift Card program. Any remaining dollars in a family account are considered a donation to the club, only after a carry-over period to allow for a gap between players, or if a player takes a year off.

iii. Peter thought we should send an email blast out to the parents letting them know how to expedite the process.

a. It was decided that families should contact Kay or Julie.

b. Kay would like to encourage families to use the voucher on the website. A few families have already used the voucher and it works well. She also needs two weeks to get those dollars to the team treasurers.

IV. Fundraising (Peter Kugi):

A. Charity Mania Fundraiser:

i. On the website, we will congratulate club members for selling a winning ticket.

ii. Peter has cards that Kay can use when mailing the letter to the winner thanking them for their support.

iii. Tricia would like to see if we could get testimonials from club members who benefited the most from the fundraiser. We could post these on the website.

B. Sponsorship Shirts:

i. Six Select teams were able to obtain sponsors. Peter indicated that we are working hard so that we don't have to ask families for additional monies.

C. Lease/Zaun Updates:

i. Lease is up at the end of 2012

ii. We are looking at different options we have for the overflow parking area – number and size of fields, whether they would be used for training or to rotate fields, etc.

iii. The DNR did not seem to think this would be a problem – we need a meeting to see how far back we can go on the property. The township has been very positive as well.

iv. The question of parking was brought up, especially for the tournament. We can get a special permit for street parking; we could also look at using a shuttle bus.

v. Tricia mentioned that down the road, we may look at upgrades at Centennial, but for now we are focusing on Zaun.

- vi. Peter stressed that we need to get the lease renewed first. Paul Lorge, Bryan Demerath and Peter are working with the school board. We would then look for a local grader. The engineering part would need to be contracted out. We are looking at 18 – 24 months before the fields would be ready. Tricia did mention that Jim Eidman had positive conversations with the school board in the past.
- vii. Ron Lauters also brought up the name of Bob Dreblow from the county. He helped Port with their fields.

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

- A. Sara Rapp – Nomination for Rec Registrar: Ann Smaxwill stepped down from this position last month and Sara has assumed the role. Tricia would like to get her nominated and voted in by the board at this time. Tricia will look at how we can get her officially in this position prior to the Annual Meeting in May.
 - i. Peter made a motion to nominate Sara Rapp into the vacated Rec Registrar position. Kay seconded the motion. Tricia asked if there were any other nominations. No other nominations were submitted. Motion approved unanimously.
- B. Vacancy for Buildings & Grounds: Dane Hacker has stepped down from this position. Bryan Demerath and Jeff Gauger have agreed to assist. Again, Tricia would like to have them nominated and voted in by the board.
 - i. Don made a motion to nominate Bryan Demerath and Jeff Gauger into the vacated Buildings & Grounds position. Michelle seconded the motion. Tricia asked if there were any other nominations. No other nominations were submitted. Motion approved unanimously.
 - ii. Don indicated that Bryan is looking at the cost of obtaining our own mower. Peter indicated it was a liability issue in the past. It was agreed that only one or two people would be allowed to use any such machinery. Don would also like us to look into getting our own machine to line the fields.
- C. Photos Scheduled for September 22 & 23rd at Zaun: Most of the packets have been distributed to the teams. Each team is to have a volunteer to help facilitate the process.
- D. Tournaments:
 - i. Outdoor: Sanction form is due October 1st. Tricia wanted to verify that we are looking at the same weekend as this year. In past minutes, she found that we looked at the following weekend.
 - a. It was confirmed that we will request a tournament date of August 12-14th due to the fact that we would be competing with too many other tournaments the following weekend.
 - ii. Indoor: Don indicated that we are close to a date of March 18-20th. He is waiting for the paperwork. He is hoping that will have enough gym space to include the U6 players.
 - iii. Indoor League: Don is also waiting for the paperwork confirming the dates. We are looking at starting the second week of February (Monday nights) at John Long.

VI. New Business:

- A. Academy Coaching Fees: Michelle asked if the families have been notified of these fees as there might be some confusion.
 - i. Kay indicated that she sent out a reminder email on September 18th. She has received some payments. Kay agreed that there might be some confusion regarding the timing.
 - ii. Michelle indicated that if Kay does get some confused responses to let her know. She would be happy to provide correspondence to the families.
- B. High School Boys: Kay has received some payments for this team. She has not sent out any reminder emails. Don would like a listing of those boys that have registered and paid. Michelle will pass along that information.

VII. Old Business:

X. Future Meetings:

October 17, 2010 6 pm, Lower Level, Legion Hall
 November 21, 2010 6 pm, Lower Level, Legion Hall
 December 19, 2010, 6 pm, Lower Level, Legion Hall
 January 16, 2011, 6 pm, Lower Level, Legion Hall
 February 20, 2011, 6 pm, Lower Level, Legion Hall

Meeting Adjourned at 7:25 p.m.
 Minutes Recorded by Christi Klaus, Secretary