

## **Public**

**Comment:** No public comment presented to the Board

**Members Present:** Bill, Craig, Judy, Lisa, Jodi, Laurie, Richard, Justin, Wayne, Mike, Kevin, Jorge, Steve

**Present:** Drew, Joann.

**Minutes:** Minutes of the February 8, Board meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept minutes as presented offered by Jorge, second by Lisa with unanimous Board approval.

## **Treasurer's**

**Report:** Operating balance for February was \$58,048.77. Highlights: \$8,450.80 payment to Kwik Trip for addition scrip cards. Income from Kwik trip cards \$5,090.00, \$10,515.00 in registration fees, and \$800 in sponsorship fees. Final scrip cards will be purchased but no other significant expenditures expected in March. Motion made by Jodi to accept the treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Rich, passed with unanimous Board approval.

## **Open**

**Issues:** A U-8 team has left the club to participate in the U-10 developmental program after East Central could find no policy to deny eight year olds playing up three years. They will formulate a policy to address the issue of playing up more than two years. As a result of the team leaving the players are requesting a refund of their registration fees. Mike made a motion that the club shall withhold \$10 from the fee to cover costs associated with the registration process. Drew seconded the motion and it passed with one abstention.

Laurie made a motion to reimburse Board members, in March, for the registration fees they paid. A second was made by Jorge and passed with unanimous approval.

The Kimberly Library sent a letter to all community organizations using the libraries facilities asking for donations to support their programs. Joann made a motion to donate \$100 to the Kimberly Library. Second made by Mike, passed unanimously.

## **Operational**

**Updates:** Count Me In Online registration

We received two legal notices pertaining to the bankruptcy of CMI and they were reviewed by legal counsel and no action was necessary. We consider this issue dead although we may receive some form of compensation from the bankruptcy proceedings but we are not counting on anything.

Jorge has set up a test web site for the new registration software League One and asked that everyone take a look at it and "kick the tires." He hopes to have a try-out component up and ready for later this year. He made the comment that at least 90% of registrations this year came

through the on-line process and he should be able to import that data in to League One.

A training session for League One, presented by the owner Active Sports, will occur for all interested clubs on April 25 at KHS.

Registration Update - Mike commented that we have currently 877 registered players which is down a little from last year. He is still in need of a few coaches. He will be calling prior members to see if they are interested in continuing to play and may have just overlooked registration

Classic Committee Report -The committee is continuing to update the Policies & Procedures manual consistent with earlier approved changes and updates in general. They will be seeking Board approval at the next meeting.

Recreational Committee Report - Joann presented two documents for the Board to review and offer comments. Theses documents will be available to the coaches at the April coaches meeting.

Fundraising and Grants - Justin provided some more information on possible ideas and events that other organizations have done. The Board is supportive of fundraising efforts but feel they will be much more successful if we have a specific goal such as more training or a club soccer complex, just as ideas. Jorge will check into the specifics of the Kwik Trip program to see if that can be continued in some fashion. Justin will continue to look into a golf outing.

Field Scheduling and Equipment Committee Report - Wayne hoped to the have the schedules final and approved by April 1.

Referee Scheduling - Wayne conveyed information that the state Department of Workforce Development has agreed that referees are independent contractor as long as clubs do not take any actions that would jeopardize that status. Joann offered a motion that the club not offer any reimbursements to referees in order to maintain compliance with this ruling. A second was offered by Justin and passed with unanimous Board approval.

**Training:** Steve Heaton is due to arrive on April 16 and the club is all set, with the exception of one slot that was vacated by Steve McMorrow. Also a final host family has been found.

**Coaching:** Wayne asked for any final input for the April coaches meeting. None was offered. Joann said the medical kits were complete and just needed to be picked up at AMC so they could be distributed at the coaches meeting.

**Miscellaneous:** Scholarships - Voting on the scholarships should be available for the next meeting. The process and the possibility of Board members children applying was discussed. The conclusion was for Board members to abstain from voting if their child has submitted an application or in the event that

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they felt uncomfortable because of a familiarity with any of the applicants, even though the applicant's names are not made known to the Board until after the voting.

East Central - Mike attended a special EC committee meeting and informed the Board that this committee is trying to radically change the EC season. It would be mostly for the National league, but it would affect the other leagues as well. The committee could not clearly articulate to Mike why this was necessary. The Board overwhelmingly expressed their strong desire to maintain the current schedule until more concrete reasons and benefits could be presented.

**April**

**Agenda** Next Board meeting on April 19, since Easter is April 12. Wayne is on vacation that day so

**Items:** Jorge will conduct the meeting

Meeting began at 6:30 and concluded at 9:10

Next meeting: May 17, 2009