



Monroe Soccer Club

Meeting Minutes

January 11th, 2010

I. Call to order

Paul Peace called to order the regular meeting of the **Monroe Soccer Club** at **7:30 p.m.** on **January 11th, 2010** in the **Monroe Library**.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present:

Name:	Team/Function:	Name:	Team/Function:
Paul Peace	President	Scott Flynn	Flyers
Janice Duffy	VP/Celtic/Hurricanes	Aaron Bahamande	Boys Registrar/Warriors
Jim O'Brien	Coaching Director	Lana Quincy	Storm/Field Maintenance
Tom McHugh	Secretary/Flames	Rob Williams	Fury
Brian Newmeyer	Coach-United	Prudence Murray	United
Matt Young	Wildcats	Eva Metro	Stingrays
Corey Schneider	Treasurer	Jo Ann Weiss	Hurricanes
Donna Konkol	Warriors/Xtreme	Niko Yanouzas	Xtreme/Communication Dir.
Ron Grabowski	Lightning	Anita McCarter	Girls Registrar

The following team(s) were not represented: Girls: U11 Tigers, U12 Blasters, U15 Fusion, U17 Power.

Reminder, teams not represented at MSC meetings will be penalized as per the existing guidelines in the MSC By-Laws

III. Secretary's Report:

Submitted by Tom McHugh

The following motion was made by Matt Young and seconded by Prudence Murray.

Approve the Minutes of the Monroe Soccer Club November 16th, 2009 Meeting as presented.

The motion passed by a show of hands.

IV. President's Report:

a) **CJSA General Meeting**

Paul informed the members that there will be a CJSA general meeting on January 30th, which he will be attending. CJSA has asked that all registrars attend as well, as there will be a demo on the new registration software. Other members are also welcome to attend.

b) **CJSA Background Check stats**

Paul brought a binder that had copies of all team rosters, and he highlighted in green the team officials (manager, coach, assistant coach) that have completed the CJSA background check. Team managers need to make sure that all team officials have completed this before the spring, otherwise passes will not be provided by SWD. In addition, all board members need to complete this as well, to be able to continue to volunteer.

c) **MSC Secretary opening**

Paul informed the members that Tom McHugh, the current MSC Secretary, will be stepping down from this position after the spring season. If any current members are interested, they should let Paul or Tom know, so we can begin the transition. Also, managers should solicit volunteers from the parents on their team.

V. **Treasurer's Report:**

a) **Indoor Training fees**

Corey advised that all teams need to send in payment (\$150 per player), along with a list of participating players, for the upcoming Indoor Training at the Sports Zone, by the end of this week.

b) **Fall season reimbursements**

If they have not already done so, all managers should send in their final reimbursement requests to Corey ASAP.

c) **Team financial disclosure reminder**

Managers should have already sent out a financial disclosure to the team families in the fall. If not, this should be done ASAP. Also, managers should be sending out a team budget for the spring before the season starts.

d) **Bank account signatures**

Due to the recent change in the MSC President, all bank account signature forms need to be signed again. The forms were available at the meeting, and teams that were present should have completed this.

e) **Coaches payments for 2009**

Corey asked that all managers send to him by **Wednesday, January 13th**, a record of all payments made to their coach(es) during calendar year 2009, so that he can complete all 1099 forms.

VI. Coaching Director's Report:

a) Coaching certification

For 2010, Jim's top priority is to make sure that all paid coaches have the proper certification levels, as CJSA continues to push this issue more and more, and it has always been an MSC requirement, which we have not enforced well. Jim will send a listing for all managers showing by team coach what certifications we have records of. He will need managers' help to make this happen. It was recommended that managers do not pay the first installment of the coach's fee, until we know that they are either in compliance, or have a plan in place to get proper certification this year. There are ample opportunities for coaches (and assistant coaches) to get their training – see CJSA website for details. Since there was some confusion as to what (if any) the MSC's liability would be in the event of an injury where there is no certified coach at the time, Paul will investigate this and confirm at the next meeting. This will determine how aggressive we will need to be regarding getting volunteer assistant coaches certified.

b) Spring Coaches' Meeting

Jim plans to once again have a coaches meeting in March, most likely at Roberto's immediately preceding the March 22nd board meeting, to go over expectations for the spring season.

c) U12 Blasters

Jim reported that the U12 Girls Blasters team is short for players for the spring, as they have lost still more players to Premier. Paul will reach out to Trumbull to see if they might have enough players to keep the team intact

d) Rec Plus/Indoor Training

Mike Dyer, who is the coach for the Rec Plus program, would like to have his teams participate in the Indoor Training. He has reached out to Anthony to pursue this, but had not heard back from him as of the time of the meeting. Janice will contact Mike to try to facilitate making this happen.

VII. Referee Coordinator's and Advisor's Reports:

a) Neither Larry nor Stan were not in attendance – nothing to report.

VIII. Communication Director's Report:

a) By-laws project

Niko reported that slow but steady progress continues to be made by the sub-team to get all documents updated, and possibly combined into one, as there is a lot of redundancy between the 3 documents. It will most likely take one or two more meetings to complete this, with the goal of having it available for review by all members at the February meeting.

IX. Field Coordinator's Report:

- a) Courtney was not in attendance – nothing to report.

X. Maintenance Director's Report:

a) **Light towers**

Lana reported that the light towers have been towed to Eddie Jensens to be tuned-up and repaired as needed. As far as the possibility of buying another used light tower, we are still waiting to hear back from Scott Weiss, who was supposed to investigate with the tow whether we would be able to put it to use before we spend the money. Jo-Ann Weiss will follow-up with Scott to find out the status.

XI. Rec Plus Report

- a) Anthony was not in attendance – nothing to report.

XII. Old Business:

a) **Ray Reid**

Paul reported that Ray Reid did not get permits from Monroe Schools, but did get a permit from Parks and Rec to use GHF for soccer camps during April vacation and July, and the MSC provided our mailing list to Ray.

b) **Goal keeper training**

After discussion, Jim's recommendation is that we ask Brendan Lawless (U9 Girls Stingrays coach) to provide keeper training for the spring. Jim will follow-up with Brendan to see if he is interested and has availability.

XIII. New Business:

- a) **Next Meeting: Monday, February, 22nd**

XIV. Adjourn:

Paul Peace adjourned the meeting, based on a motion from Scott Flynn which was seconded by Lana Quincy.

Minutes submitted by: Tom McHugh