



## Monroe Soccer Club

### Meeting Minutes

November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009

#### I. Call to order

**Janice Duffy** called to order the regular meeting of the **Monroe Soccer Club** at **7:30 p.m.** on **November 19th** in **Monroe Library**.

#### II. Roll call

The following persons were present:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Team/Function:</u>	<u>Name:</u>	<u>Team/Function:</u>
Matt Young	President/Wildcats	Paul Peace	President Nominee
Janice Duffy	VP/Celtic/Hurricanes	Aaron Bahamande	(New) Boys Registrar
Jim O'Brien	Coaching Director	Lisa Klein	Equipment Manager/Blasters
Tom McHugh	Secretary/Flames	Rob Williams	Fury
Stan Tait	Referee Advisor	Prudence Murray	United
JoAnn Bisesi	Tigers	Eva Metro	Stingrays
Larry Matthews	Referee Coordinator	Richard Bruenig	Blasters
Donna Konkol	Warriors/Girls Registrar/Xtreme	Lana Quincy	Storm/Field Maintenance
Corey Schneider	Treasurer	Brian Purdy	AYSO
Ron Grabowski	Lightning	Jo Ann Weiss	Hurricanes

The following team(s) were not represented:

**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 Stan Tait and seconded by Lisa Klein.

*Approve the Minutes of the Monroe Soccer Club October 19th, 2009 Meeting as presented.*

The motion passed by a show of hands.

**IV. President's Report:**

**a) Make-up games; conclusion of fall season**

Matt recommended extending the fall season thru the weekend of 11/21 – 11/22 to allow a few teams to play their make-up games. A few teams agreed they will try to do this, since the fields are still available for the club's use through this weekend.

**b) Additional light tower for spring season**

Matt reported that we may be able to purchase a used light tower from the town of Monroe for a reasonable cost. Scott Weiss is checking with the town to see if from a zoning standpoint we will be able to put it to use. Once we have this information, we can make a decision at the next meeting.

**c) Indoor Training**

The indoor training sessions will once again be held on Thursday evenings (6-7 or 7-8) at the Sports Zone, between mid-February and late March. All managers should send a note to Courtney ASAP with their estimated team headcount for the indoor training, as well as a preferred time slot if they have one. Based on final headcount, teams should collect fees (\$150 per player) by the end of December, and send one check to Corey Schneider at 108 Blanket Meadow Road.

**V. Treasurer's Report:**

**a) MSC Financial Report**

Corey provided copies of the MSC financial report through September, 2009. The one noteworthy item which Corey brought to everyone's attention was that the club made approximately \$4,600 from the summer camps.

**b) Fall reimbursements**

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

**c) Indoor Training**

As mentioned above in the President's Report, Corey stated that payment for the indoor skills sessions are due to him by the end of December.

## VI. Coaching Director's Report:

### a) **Rec Plus**

Mike Dyer, who has been involved with Rec Plus in the fall, will take over the U9 program next season.

### b) **Coaches' Weekly Reports**

Jim informed the group that coaches' weekly reports are still sporadic at best, but did recognize Habib and Rui as doing them the most consistently. It was requested that all managers help to push the coaches to do this in the future, and that the manager and the players should all be copied on the report. It does not need to be long, but should cover an assessment (good and bad) of the prior weeks' practices and games, and what the team will be focusing on in the upcoming week.

### c) **CJSA background check**

It is critical that all coaches and managers complete the CJSA background check ASAP, if they haven't done so already. Lana Quincy brought up the fact that the background check website requests social security numbers, which is illegal. Matt Young will check into this with CJSA in an effort to get this changed.

### d) **Coaching clinics/certification**

Jim reported that some coaching clinics are coming up soon, including the first-ever C-level class to be held in Connecticut. Information is available on the CJSA website. As a reminder, the Youth Module training is good up thru U11. The E-level certification covers U12-U13, and D-level covers U14 and up (although D-level courses are not offered very often).

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

### a) **Referee re-certification and uniform reimbursement**

Larry was initially in attendance, but had to step out. Stan reported on Larry's behalf that due to tax reasons, the club will no longer reimburse the referees for re-certifications and uniforms. This cost was \$1,600 last year, so this will be a savings for the club. Stan had no concerns about referees having to now cover this cost themselves, based on the increase in fees which was put in place last year.

### b) **A.R.'s leaving early**

Lana reported that in her team's last two games, assistant referees left at half-time to go to other games. Stan suggested that she bring this to Larry's attention, so that her team can be reimbursed for half of the fees paid to them.

**VIII. Communication Director's Report:**

Niko was not in attendance.

**IX. Field Coordinator's Report:**

Courtney was not in attendance, but Matt reported in her absence that the long awaited apparel order is in. Courtney will send out an e-mail to the managers of teams that ordered, so that they can arrange payment and pick-up.

**X. Maintenance Director's Report:**

**a) Lights**

The light towers will soon be moved to have the annual maintenance done (oil-change and tune-up).

**XI. Rec Plus Report**

**a) Winter Clinic**

Anthony will send potential clinic dates to Jim O'Brien, and he will check on Mike Dyer's availability.

**XII. Old Business:**

**a) Bylaw project**

Matt reported that the sub-team continues to make progress recently on the bylaw project. The team got more than half-way through one of the two longer documents. More meetings will be held in hopes of having the changes all agreed to by the sub-team by the January meeting.

**b) New Registrars**

Both new registrars have begun working on their transitions with the current registrars so they will be up and running for the spring season.

**c) Next Meeting: Tentatively Scheduled for Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**

Paul Peace will decide and communicate to all whether or not the December meeting will be cancelled. All agreed that one of the next two meetings should be cancelled, and the preference of most seemed to be December.

**XIII. New Business:**

**a) Election of new President**

Janice brought the motion to vote, by a show of hands, for the nominee for MSC President, Paul Peace. Paul was voted in unanimously. Congratulations to Paul and thanks from all of us for stepping up, and thanks to Matt for a great job in leading the club over the past 12 months. Matt will continue to be involved to ensure a smooth transition.

**b) Keeper training**

Matt reminded Jim that we need to secure a new keeper for keeper training in the spring. It was also mentioned that if we find one soon, we might consider having keeper training as part of the indoor skills session, if there is sufficient interest and space.

**XIV. Adjourn:**

Matt Young adjourned the meeting, based on a motion from Paul Peace which was seconded by Rob Williams.

Minutes submitted by: Tom McHugh