



Monroe Soccer Club

Meeting Minutes

September 14th, 2009

I. Call to order

Matt Young called to order the regular meeting of the **Monroe Soccer Club** at **7:30 p.m.** on **September 14th** 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	JoAnn Bisesi	Tigers
Janice Duffy	VP/Celtic/Hurricane	Niko Yanouzas	Xtreme
Jim O'Brien	Coaching Director	Lisa Klein	Equipment Manager/Blasters
Tom McHugh	Secretary/Flames	Rob Williams	Fury
Stan Tait	Referee Advisor	Ron Hooker	United
Courtney Carrano	Field Coordinator	Eva Metro	Stingrays
Ron Grabowski	Lightning	Eric Murray	Storm/Past Prez.
Donna Konkol	Warriors/Girls Registrar	Scott Weiss	Hurricanes/AYSO
Corey Schneider	Treasurer	Brian Purdy	AYSO

The following team(s) were not represented:

All fall teams were 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 Ron Grabowski.

Approve the Minutes of the Monroe Soccer Club August 17th, 2009 Meeting as presented.

The motion passed by a show of hands.

IV. President's Report:

a) **Field lining**

There was a communication breakdown regarding the normal weekly re-lining of the fields. It has since been rectified, and should be all set for the remainder of the season.

b) **Matt stepping down**

As communicated previously, Matt will be stepping down as MSC President at the end of his one year term in November. So we will need to have someone step-up to replace Matt. Managers have been asked to let the families on their teams know of this upcoming vacancy, and to encourage strong candidates to consider volunteering for this important board position.

c) **Registrar positions**

We have two volunteers who have come forward regarding the soon to be vacant registrar positions: Jo Ann Weiss for the Girls Registrar, and Aaron *Bahamandi* for the girls registrar. To get a head start on the learning curve, Matt has asked the current registrars to begin working with these candidates now to show them the ropes, under the assumption that they will be approved at the next meeting.

d) **New Treasurer / Financial Oversight**

Now that Corey is getting up to speed as the new treasurer, Ben will temporarily begin to provide a financial oversight type role, to act as a second set of eyes, to perform audits, etc. The board can then decide in the future if we want to continue this on an ongoing basis.

V. Treasurer's Report:

a) **Summer Camp fees**

There were still some teams that were past due in sending in either the fees for the summer camp, and their coach's contact information so that the club can pay them. If teams have still not done this, they need to do it ASAP.

b) **Fall registration due by August 31st**

There were still some teams that were past due in sending in their fall registration fees (less \$400 for ref reimbursement). If teams have still not done this, they need to do it ASAP.

c) Team budgets

If they have not already done so, all teams should send a fall team budget to the families of their team by the end of the season, based on the sample Corey provided in an earlier e-mail.

d) Fall coaching fees

Corey requested that all managers send to him the amount they are planning to pay their coach for the fall season, so he has all of that information centrally, and he can communicate it back to all managers so we can be consistent and transparent.

VI. Coaching Director's Report:

a) Monroe Day

Jim provide copies of a flyer about Monroe Day at University of Fairfield, which is taking place on Friday, September 25th at 7pm, during their game against Iona. Anyone from Monroe will have free admission to the game. Jim will send an electronic copy of the flyer to Niko, so that it can be forwarded to all of the club families.

b) Weekly Reports

Jim asked that all managers remind their coaches to submit weekly reports to him, now that the fall season has begun. Jim sent an e-mail directly to the coaches on 9/18 reminding them this is a mandatory part of their coaching responsibility.

c) Rec Plus

Rec Plus starts on Sunday, September 20th.

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

a) Referee coordinator

Larry was sick and was not in attendance. He did ask that Stan relay the recommendation that fencing be put up at GHF to prevent balls from going down the hill, but most at the meeting said that there is no way we will be able to get the town to do this, due to mowing, cost, other priorities, etc. Larry also is planning on drafting a note to be sent to all families regarding parents and players comments to referees. The note may also include other reminders such as no pets, etc.

VIII. Communication Director's Report:

a) Update of by-laws

Niko reported that the sub-team made no progress since the last meeting.

IX. Field Coordinator's Report:

a) Practice schedules

Practice schedules were done and posted on the website as of Friday, September 11th.

b) Chalk Hill

Managers who have practices at Chalk Hill should reminder their coaches and families to stay off of the bad area of the field.

X. Maintenance Director's Report:

a) Lights

Lights have been installed and will be left in the "up" position. Eric Murray will take them down if we have high winds.

XI. Rec Plus Report

- a)** Anthony was not at the meeting as he was conducting a clinic at the time of the meeting. Scott Weiss reported that we are still in need of a coach for the 3rd grade age group. Janice will discuss with Anthony and Maria to confirm that they asked for parent volunteers, and is not, will do so herself. If no one steps up, then a paid coach will be the back-up plan.

XII. Old Business:

a) Goal keys

Matt brought 2 extra keys, which were quickly claimed. More copies will be made by Rob Williams, and brought to the next meeting.

XIII. New Business:

a) Next Meeting – Monday, October 19th at 7:30 pm

b) Winter Indoor Skills Session

Ben recommended that we should collect fees for the indoor skills session the first week in December. Once again, this is a mandatory activity for all teams, with minimum participation of at least 6 players to avoid penalty (loss of tournament reimbursement in the spring season).

c) Jamboree

Lana and Ben volunteered to take the lead in investigating what it would take to try to have some type of soccer jamboree fundraiser at the end of the next spring season, with a target date of the last Sunday in June.

XIV. Wrap Up:

Matt Young adjourned the meeting, based on a motion from Courtney Carrano which was seconded by Lana Quincy.

Minutes submitted by: Tom McHugh