

## **Field Hockey Federation October 3, 2011**

Meeting Opening: 7:06

Attendance:

Dave Jackson, President; Joan Cicchi, Treasurer; Patti Niccum, Secretary; Tom Harris, Director of Volunteers; Rick Warren, Director of Competitions; Rob Joubert, Systems Director; Mark Stone, Director of Facilities; Janice Mohr, Youth Divisions, Kevin Allison, Director of Marketing

Commissioners: Bob Fleming, Conejo Bulldogs;  
Phil Schofield, Moorpark Coyotes;  
Chris Zooski, Ventura Road Runners

Guests: Megan Cicchi

Tom Harris made a motion to approve minutes from September 6, 2011, posted on the web. Mark Stone second the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**President's Report, Dave Jackson:** Background check; \$22.50 per manager/coach. If there are any Federal and or State problems, they will kick it back with description of problems. This is for Over 18 adults that are working directly with the children. This is only for adults and Rob Joubert will check into if there is a liability for any Youth coaches. We don't feel that it will be necessary for a designated "Record Keeper", as the system seems to have all the basis covered.

Field repair: Turf replacement and repair, It will take approximately 1 week. December was our target date but the Canada vs. USA series has been postponed and we might have to wait until January 2012.

**Treasurer's Report, Joan Cicchi:** Balance Sheet passed out and not much to comment on as this was the first month. A lot of people are registering still and by next meeting it should have slowed down. USC girls have designated our Moorpark field as their Home Field and have to register with FHF. Guru Nanuk paid for their Tournament and was paid in the correct fiscal period. Check written for canon repair. Cal Cup books are supposed to be turned into Joan by the next meeting.

**Vice President's Report, Mike Whitehead:** Not present and Kevin Allison was introduced again.

**Kevin Allison, Marketing director:** present and observing

**Ben Maraquin, Technical Director:** Not present. (Round Robin reporting)

Bob Fleming, Conejo Bulldogs, has a program starting tomorrow and Ben and Bob are going to a meeting with the principal of a school.

LA84 demonstration was completed with Coralie in Ventura and check will be received to complete the grant process. Each coach must be paid with that money by the end of October. Joan will cut checks to the coaches and "Hold them" as the schools will not have started the Fall sessions yet. Joan Cicchi

contacted the LA84 grant and they do not provide back to back funding. There was a general census that we needed to double check that information, only because there may be another way around the verbage.

**Commissioner Reports:**

Bob Fleming, Bulldogs commissioner: Best age group to aim for is 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. There are a lot of new players. Strong management and coaching within the club; Binh is doing great with the girls and Megan Cicchi and Trent are doing a great job keeping every team focused. Bob is stepping down as commissioner. New commissioner is Megan Cicchi. Bob will remain on as treasurer!!

Phil Schofield, Moorpark Coyotes Commissioner: Scored first GOAL!! Yesterday. Short of D3 players. Moorpark is interested in starting an after school program at Campus Canyon School. Talk to Ben and let's get it started. Perfect location because it is right next to the college.

We also wanted to be sure that the FHF League Athletics is designated for dividing up new players. It came to the attention of Moorpark Board members that Moorpark High and some Middle school students are new to the program and are playing for Conejo. There was a previous relationship with the coaching and therefore established the club. We will continue to recruit from the various local schools to entice even more players for the club.

Chris Zooski, Commissioner for Ventura Road Runners: Fundraising cards are selling well and they just had the school program with Ben and Coralie. All is going well. Using the funds for scholarships and general backing for the club.

Erin Creznik, Hollywood: not present.

**Mark Stone, Director of Facilities:**

No more leaks at the Water cannons. They were fixed this last week.

Gates and bathrooms have been found unlocked several times. Need to be sure that all gates are locked. Storage container was found unlocked and lock has now been changed.

Bathroom fencing/gates were unlocked from the outside to the parking lot. We still have a lot of "soccer people" coming in and using our facility. Nylon fencing cover should be put up to cover up the fact that there is a building there.

Dave will purchase more paint for the circles on the field. Nets are in desperate need of replacing. We also have new goals that are only used for Cal Cup and we should use for all International tournaments.

Mark will put new tires/wheels on all of the goals so that they are easier to move and won't tear up the turf. Bathrooms should be off limits to all others that are not affiliated with FHF. Tom will contact college facilities regarding trash cans for each of the girl's stalls.

Recycling bins were emptied without authorization and Mark will replace. Mark uses the recycling money for gas. He makes several trips every week.

A discussion ensued regarding the safety nets that are up for the protection of the observers. We might need to extend the nets because balls are flying past them into the crowds.

**Director of Competitions, Rick Warren:** He is working hard and moving all players off the turf and onto the pavers. Meeting with a lot of resistance but being persistent. Allowing goalies play on different teams if both agree. Goalies should still not play for different teams in the same division. Rick needed to help a youth player in a Division 1 game on Sunday and we need to control the umpires while they play.

**Unfinished business:** Granite stones on the wall. Tom looked into the capstones and Joan is looking for name of company. Elaine Harris wants to do a fundraiser for tarp covering the bleachers. \$2200 was quoted for 2 pcs (10 x10 cover). Joan to furnish contact information to Elaine.

\$250 Plaque for bathrooms,

Rick Warren made motion to purchase the Plaque for the outside of the bathrooms and Phil Schofield second. Vote unanimous.

**New business:**

Umpires in Under 12 games need to start calling the high sticks. All umpires must have appropriate attire and ready for their game. Youth umpires need to take control of the games and checking for mouthguards before each match.

Region 11 Club Championship: Tournament for women approximately 20 teams and selection process for Club Championship. Dave brought up that it could be club Fundraiser. Must be held between March and June. Maybe Easter weekend. A lot of people are interested, and want to go for it. Dave will check into the process and budget. We have field, refs, players, water, and administrators. Everyone to check out the website for details. We will have an email vote in regards to the final decision.

No level 2 coaching clinic in November as hoped. Canada vs USA series was rescheduled for 17, 18, 19, 20 of December.

**Rob Joubert, Systems Director:** Added division names onto schedule. Adult managers have done very well except Y2K and rosters need to be complete. Game cards are going to be finalized this week. If you are not on the game card, you don't play. Shirt numbers still have a problem. If a player plays on two teams with two different jerseys numbers, the system does not recognize. Spring divisions need to be decided by the November meeting.

**Tom Harris, Director of Volunteers:** Rick Warren is volunteer of the Month for September 2011. Needs Community Service ideas because they have high school girls that are interested.

**Jackie Scally, Past President:** Not present.

Adjourned: 9:04, Joan Cicchi made the motion to adjourn, Tom Harris second

Next meeting: November 1<sup>st</sup>, 7:00

Minutes prepared by: Patti Niccum, Secretary