

Field Hockey Federation November 8, 2011

Meeting Opening: 7:04

Place: Moorpark College, Fountain Hall, Room #115

Attendance:

Dave Jackson, President; Mike Whitehead, Vice President; Patti Niccum, Secretary; Tom Harris, Director of Volunteers; Rick Warren, Director of Competitions; Rob Joubert, Systems Director; Mark Stone, Director of Facilities; Jackie Scally, Past President; Ben Maraquin, Technical Director;

Commissioners: Meghan Cicchi, Conejo Bulldogs;
Phil Schofield, Moorpark Coyotes;
Chris Januszewski, Ventura Road Runners
Margaret Amato, Wizards

Guests: Momin Quddus, Bob Fleming, Bulldogs Treasurer

Tom Harris made a motion to approve minutes from October 3, 2011, posted on the web. Mark Stone second the motion and the vote was unanimous.

President's Report, Dave Jackson:

Field repair; Dave met with the representative from Sporttec on Friday morning and Sporttec is not responsible for any issues below the carpet. Turf needs repair/replacement. Engineer from Sportec agrees that there are some major issues. Not sure if it is above or below the turf line. Need to take up portion to assess. Insurance and contract will be reviewed by Dave Jackson and the responsibility will be determined. Need to call someone not affiliated with Sporttek to assess. First week of December is the timeline because of all the training scheduled.

Lighting: Tom Harris and Dave Jackson, spoke with the Business Director at Moorpark College, Darlene Melview, regarding the possibility of installation of lights. Next week there will be a meeting with Director of Maintenance and the President of Moorpark College, both are very excited about the prospect of lights on the field. New turf Field, stands, building for bathroom, and lights are on the original contract. It will be a USA Men's field hockey major investment intimated by Simon Hoskin's, Men's foundation has money set aside for lights. We will see what kind of money that we are talking about and see what is available.

Treasurer's Report, Joan Cicchi: Meghan on behalf of Joan. A/R a couple of outstanding invoices/individuals, Will have Cal Cup books after Thanksgiving. Balance Sheet and P&L are attached.

Vice President's Report, Mike Whitehead: Coaching clinic will be held December 9 and 10th. Level 2 and we have 12 spots available to us at the discounted rate. \$200 per person payable to FHF, every club

can make a recommendation and we will send it to Dave, Ben and Mike W. Venue TBD and needs to be decided within the week.

Kevin Allison, Marketing director: not present

Ben Maraquin, Technical Director: VCRD/JNT training dates are Nov. 12, 19 and Dec. 3, 4, 10, 11, 13-15 Camp tentatively. These training sessions include 13 members JNT + 8 boys from the training squad. Next order of business; Dec 15th through Jan 27th is the middle school program and tournament. Half to ¾ of the field can be used during the repair session.

Schools: Wildwood; Thousand Oaks, Lincoln and Mound; Ventura, Katherine; Simi, El Descanzo and Las Posas, Camarillo, Campus Canyon, Moorpark.

Steve Mann, Jon Ginolfi, Kevin Barber, Will Holt are coaching. To run both programs approximately \$10k will be needed. LA84 has only \$3k left. We are short by \$7k and how do we pay? Each club will have to take over and must come up with solutions to keep each program going. Should make it an afterschool program and will have to look at the insurance aspects of all the programs.

This year, can FHF match funds and have \$6000 total to run programs.

Middle Schools that Ben is currently in; Newbury Park, Camarillo, Ventura and Moorpark – legacy schools. Approximately, 5 years for the total turn-around is Ben's guesstimate for generating players. Ben should come up with a budget, \$20 per hour is being paid to each coach and we will have to come up with FHF Budget.

Sign Up's 2012: Done before X-mas time. Professional looking flyer and registration information for each of the clubs is necessary. Cost, practice days, etc.

Dick's Sporting Goods has a starter package for all new players.

Tom make a motion to FHF allocates \$3500 to keep the School program going. Rick Warren second and vote uniramous.

Commissioner Reports:

Meghan Cicchi, Bulldogs commissioner: Spring season, a team in each youth and adult division.

Focusing on recruiting in the schools, 4-5th graders. Looking to get an annual program at Wildwood Elementary School and Cardin School. Conejo Bulldogs will put a booth at Sequoia 5K run for recruiting.

Randy Sundeen, Wizards: Margaret Amato speaking on behalf of Randy. Practice is a regular thing, which is quite a change. Fundraising for Goalie gear, See's Candy. Paul is coaching and doing a great Job. Having A School session, 4, 5, 6th graders at Mountain View. Need checking account because most is from Randy's personal acct. Have about 15-20 active players.

Phil Schofield, Moorpark Coyotes Commissioner: Full slate of teams for the Spring Season and would like to address situation of field rental and can we get new people on the field to try it and for recruiting purposes. \$300 fundraising (bake sale and Sweet Retreats).

Chris Januszewski, Ventura Road Runners Commissioner: Have a school programs going and Coralie is having her sessions. Card fundraising is not working so well. Spring season would probably be a better prospect.

Erin Creznik, Hollywood Commissioner: Not present

Mark Stone, Director of Facilities: Privacy screen, between bathroom and parking lot; Checked pricing 6' x 50' roll and hardware, \$90

Slates in the fencing: \$50 every 10'

Mud pit next to the bathrooms needs to be addressed with pavers not concrete, due to the plumbing. In front of bleachers, sprinkler replaced and seems to be better.

Blue paint is in and we can repaint before the finals. New water guns have been installed.

Director of Competitions, Rick Warren: Spirited competitions. Lots of Youth players are playing up this season. Rob set up a FH information part on the web site and we have received lots of hits. Samara Spence started a FH club at her High School. Need to keep recruiting on the youth level. Would like to see all clubs/teams have light and dark uniforms for the next season. Tabled and will be discussed at a later date. Judgement of level of play? There needs to be some oversight and is a very tough subject.

Unfinished business: USFHA Club Championship-U16 and U19 girls

If we run a tournament too close to Cal Cup, we will lose them for one or the other. Steve Locke suggested making a special President's division for qualification process. Will get more teams to participate from California, Nevada, AZ and Utah. There is \$1000 cap on the cost for Team Participation per USA Field Hockey. Tom will find out the current entry fee for U19 and U16..

New business:

Momin Quidus is an interested party for becoming Commissioner for Camarillo Cougars. He would like to start a youth program and would like some help. There is an open bank account and there are already three teams using the name.

End of League party: November 20th from 6-8 at Round Table pizza. Only for adult divisions and the prize for the Adult Divisions is \$50 per team for 1st place.

Futures: Need to secure some dates for Futures 1/15, 22nd and 2/4 (double session).

Futures Regional Tournament: May 12 and 13th and still have the Finals for the Spring League the week before and a work weekend before Cal Cup.

Rob Joubert, Systems Director: Copy of information form, background check for preselected people will have to be done by the End of season and need to find out information from parents and players if there was any problems. If new coaches and managers are volunteering, that should be handled by the commissioners to make sure that background check is done.

Tom Harris, Director of Volunteers: Canada players, we cannot accommodate. Advertising should be done and \$400 per club from the FHF. Please review Job Description. Is there any more volunteers that we need? Cal Cup people are overworked and need help.

Volunteer of the Month for November: Dave Jackson

Jackie Scally, Past President: We need to get four teams in The Women's division for the Spring season.

Adjourned: 9:41, Dave made the motion to adjourn, second Margaret Amato

Next meeting: December 6, 2011, 7:00

Minutes prepared by: Patti Niccum, Secretary