

Field Hockey Federation

December 3, 2012

Location: Moorpark College, Fountain Hall #118

Meeting Called to Order: 7:05

Attendance: Dave Jackson, President; Joan Cicchi, Treasurer; Patti Niccum, Secretary; Mike Whitehead, Vice President; Tom Harris, Director of Volunteers; Ben Maruquin, Tech Director; Kevin Allison, Director of Marketing; Chris Januszewski, Ventura Commissioner; Bob Fleming; Coralie Van Marken, Jr. Division; Janice Mohr, Jr. Division; Momin Quiddus, Camarillo Commissioner; Phil Schofield, Moorpark Commissioner; Meghan Cicchi, Bulldogs Commissioner; Roberta Yang, Hollywood FH representative/Commissioner

Approve Minutes from Last Meeting: November 7, 2012, Kevin moved to approve the last minutes, Mike Whitehead second, vote Unanimous.

Joan Cicchi, Treasurer Report: Cal Cup accounts received from Billie and she is reconciling. Hopefully, January 2013.

Dave Jackson, President Report:

Field Repair: Sportek does not have E-layer contractor any more. There is one company that Sportex is aware of, Cal Trex. Dave Jackson spoke with Cal Trex and they are trying to open up some dates and most likely will be post Cal Cup.

Lighting: Tom and Dave have been talking to contractors and are going to get a quote from Musco Lighting. Dave will let us know via email. Political process at this point and we will have to have a strong base from the Field Hockey Federation and Moorpark neighbors at the Public meeting.

Ben inquired about replacing the entire turf before the 10 year life span. It looks as though it will last only 8 years and Dave will bring it up with Sportex so that we can get all warranty work done at the same time the repair is done. The seams in the rest of the field are starting to pull and we don't want to wait too long. Turf replacement committee should be established by Next August.

Mike Whitehead, Vice President:

*End of Season Party was not advertised and did not reach the correct people in a timely fashion. We need to find someone to help out with the website posting. Perhaps appointing a Web Master, Kevin Allison would alleviate some of the work load from Rob Stevens.

*December 17th Begins the training dates for Canada and the games will be played during the week in the daytime hours. The times and days are located on the FHF calendar. FHF will pay for Pizza for the U21 team, approx. 50 people, Tom made a motion to allocate \$200 to a Social, Dave second and vote unanimous. Ben will speak with Chris Clements and see if it is viable.

*Engraved Stones/Markers: Mike spoke with Donna at the Stoneworks \$20 + engraving will be cost of \$40. He has a breakdown and has forwarded it to Kevin. We still have 16 stones in stock and Stoneworks will be able to get the same material but recommended changing the font for better wear and reading. We should order one for the winners in the Super Division for Cal Cup. We have been discussing \$150 per stone for an individual to purchase. 6 week lead time.

Ben Maraquin, Technical Director:

Division 1 breakdown: Play a competition on 9 weekends and existing players. The teams would get bolstered up with the best players and make selections for the Premier Competition (coaches would assist in the selection process). The turf time will have to be negotiated because of the 35 minute halves.

Local Division 1, 9 games, 75% of total cost, \$900

Premier league, 11 games, will be full cost \$1250.

Local League: February 10, 17, 24, March 3, 10, 17, and 24, April 7, 21

Premier League: March 23, 30 and 31, April 13, 14, 27, 28, May 4, 5, 10, and 12

The selections for the Premier will be selected and notified before Christmas.

Cougars, Mystery, Wizards, Bulldogs

Add to rules – Forfeit if not paid and players rostered by Week 3.

*Open up the field for the youth to practice; 2nd week of January.

*VCRD is the first, 8-12 and 12-15, and 15-18 years old. They will be playing up and down according to skill. Open concept for the first sessions and all are welcome.

*Are we planning to have any School Tournaments? We can get the Elementary School Level tournament with a minimum of 8 teams. Friday, January 25 for this would work.

We should also make an effort to put together a Middle School tournament. Tournament on February 1. No grass fields will be available but turf should work.

Commissioners:

Phil Schofield, Moorpark: Will move forward with Tournaments for Elementary and Middle Schools

Chris Januszewski, Ventura: All is well, Can get several schools for the School Tournaments

Meghan Cicchi, Conejo: They had their Sequoia 5k recruitment booth, 50 to 60 kids entered a raffle, offered a free season of play. Girls U17 would like to keep at a club level, Boys U17 all commissioners agree to mix.

Momin Quiddus, Camarillo: Last season ended well, looking for a pool of players and the Tournament is very important. John Ritz is still doing all the bookkeeping and that is a big help.

Dave Jackson, Simi Valley: 4 schools in Simi are actively playing and using the Fundamentals for FH program. The kids are really excited and more are signing up. Really need to have a Tournament to solidify the outcome of growing the club.

Roberta Yang, Hollywood: Festival is done and Disney has 6 players going. Erin had a baby, and Brenna will be taking over coaching. Probably will have a Under 18 and possibly Under 15 (short field).

Robert Stephens, Systems Director:

2013 Spring Registration is almost complete except for the actual youth divisions. Put the Team names with the divisions. Next Board Meeting, we should have an idea of the team names and amount of teams. U10, U12, U15 G, U14 B, U18 G, U17 B

Needs to come up with instructions on how to "add a team"

Field request form has been edited and put in Start time and End time;

Apologized for the non-posting of the Season Ending Party at Me and Ed's. Kevin has offered help and could possibly take over the Web Master.

Tom Harris, Director of Volunteers: Stephanie Knecht is the Volunteer of the Month. Champions Trophy is on the computer @ Worldhockey.org. If we are going to use the Player pavilion rooftop as a spectator spot, we need to put a new roof and some railings. Saturday hockey will be moved to Sunday 3:00-5:00.

Kevin Allison, Director of Marketing: Men's National Team had a prep session. Ashley Munier and Kevin had been working on it together. He will see if we can get some handout stickers for the Youth Tournaments. Kevin also has some templates for Recruiting flyers, is anyone interested? Ventura puts a recruiting flyer in the Ventura School District Semester handout for a cost of \$200. Bulldogs and Moorpark are interested.

Youth Tournament will have photos and flyers, and interviews for the Fundamentals.

Jackie Scally, Women's Division/Past President: Resigned, we need to appoint a new President Elect.

Director of Competitions: Open and we are looking for a viable candidate. Need to have an appt by January. Dave will talk to our short list of individuals: Stan Saez, Joey Knecht, Shawn Nakamura*, Move the Disciplinary Committee to the Vice President, Mike whitehead

Mark Stone, Director of Facilities: absent but the dirt on the turf is awful. Tom will talk Facilities Management and see what to take care of.

New Business:

We need to form a Nominating committee for a President Elect.

Request from 4 umpires: 25 minute games should be \$25 and 35 minute games should be \$30.

Still had problems with the Umpires, dress code and very lax attitude.

Commissioners and any use of the field: PUT THE field back to its original state.

Need new umpire shirts and the jackets; New Board member polo shirts (Chris J. is in charge of getting pricing and quality).

Adjourn: 9:14

Next Meeting: January 9, 2012, Wednesday
Moorpark College, Fountain Hall Rm# TBD

Minutes prepared by: Patti Niccum, Secretary