

MINUTES -- FEBRUARY 13, 1989
BOARD MEETING

The meeting was held at the home of Terry Orie. Members in attendance: Shelly Chapple, Jayne Peck, Kim Walsh, Terry Orie, Cathy Schourek, Mary Beth Compton, Denise Fitzpatrick, and Pam Godfrey.

1. Secretary Report -- Jayne

- ° The minutes were read and approved with the following corrections and amendments:

Corrections:

- + Kim Walsh's phone number is 437-4962.
- + Bill Van Buskirk's name was misspelled.

Amendments:

- + Registration deadline was changed to 2/15/89 subsequent to the Board Meeting.
- + Team Rep Meeting changed to 2/14/89 instead of 2/15/89.
- + Board Meeting was changed to Terry's house instead of Niza's house.

2. Treasurer's Report -- Penny

No report as Penny was not at the meeting.

3. Fields Commissioner Report -- Kim

- ° The County should release the list of spring fields anytime between now and the end of the month.
- ° We can't contract to mow until we know which fields we are assigned. Kim is looking into hiring a fields maintenance contractor.
- ° Going to purchase net bags from Army/Navy Surplus in Annandale. The bags will cost \$4 or \$5 a piece.
- ° We bought 53 balls for distribution at the Team Rep Meeting. Kim will keep extras at her house.
- ° Soccer International still wants our mailing list. This will be discussed in New Business.

- Question of when we want to transfer equipment out of the present storage unit into our new storage locker at the fields. Right now it is too muddy and wet. We decided to hang on to our present locker through March.

Field Development Report

- Shelly, Terry and Jayne met with Bill Van Buskirk/Brickman Industries and Ken Jones/NVSL and Washington Stars on Thursday, 02/09/89 (see report attached).
- Maintenance on three fields would "hopefully" be split three ways.
- Right now we don't know what our cash flow is. Penny said (through a telephone conversation with Shelly) she doesn't know if all the bills for Fall 89 have come through. She will have to check the books from last year to get a better idea.
- Pam felt we should get at least two more estimates. We all felt we needed a company that specialized in athletic fields.
- Bill Van Buskirk needs an answer by March 1.
- Shelly requested someone head up the Fields Development Committee to help Ruth Walton. Ruth would like to see the fields finished, but doesn't want to "be the committee" any more. We need to re-establish contact with the County to make clear their intent and our intent for these fields. This person on the Board would be the liaison between the Board and the Fields Development Committee. We will also call volunteers from the registration forms. Jayne agreed to take on this responsibility.
- The company that sold us the storage container will fix the damage. The containers were originally used to ship items overseas on cargo ships.
- What about the parking lot? Shelly is going to call Ruth and discuss this.
- Ken Jones spoke with Shelly and said NVSL would be willing to pay for one-third of the field maintenance, but it was a very short phone call!

4. Division Reports

Blue Division Report -- Terry

- All teams have registered.
- Sweet Poison asked where their rockers were for winning the Fall 89 season in Red. The rockers were ordered, and we would distribute them as soon as they are received.

Red Division Report -- Mary Beth

- ° Five teams have registered; one is waiting until Team Rep Meeting.

White Division Report -- Niza

Niza was not at the meeting, but left the following with Shelly:

- ° Havoc and Good News are not returning.
- ° Monty is returning.
- ° BBB changed their name to Sockers.

Masters A Division Report -- Cathy

- ° Three teams have mailed in their registrations.

Masters B Division Report -- Denise

- ° Four teams have registered.
- ° Our Gang is very interested in the Friendship Tourney. They have 10 players who are interested.

Traveling Division Report -- Pam

- ° One team has registered; other two are waiting for Team Rep Meeting.

Over-40 League -- Pam

- ° Pam has received 30 registrations.
- ° Plans to schedule five games and split people into four groups and rotate groups so two play together against other two groups. This way people are always playing with and against different people.
- ° Pam would like the Over-40 made part of FWSA. Jayne felt this would have to be voted on at the General Assembly meeting. They would lose their "fun" status, have to pay full registration, and give up one of their teams. To be discussed further at a later date.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- ° Rules -- Have been updated for Spring season. Shelly asked for volunteers to really go over the Rules with a fine-tooth comb for next Fall. Terry and Denise volunteered for this project.
- ° Shelly asked for comments for the Rules that have been updated for Spring.
- + Kim wondered if we should have some sort of penalty for failure to return equipment to the storage shed after a game. We lost a lot of equipment last season.

She is going to devise a system whereby teams will sign out and sign in equipment at the shed, but they will also have to call Kim's answering machine and leave a message giving the date and time they have returned the equipment.

MOTION: Add to the Rules a rule concerning the return of the equipment. If the equipment is not returned within 24 hours of the game that was played, that game would be forfeited. Seconded.

Vote: For: 8; Against: 0; Abstain: 0 -- Motion carried.

- + Jayne checked with her sister, who is an attorney, on the question of whether a player can turn 18 during the season for which she is registering and wait until she turns 18 to register. She felt we would be safer if we limited registration to 18 year olds. In other words players had to wait until they turned 18 to play in our league. Parents of a 17 year old may be able to take action against FWSA if their daughter was injured in one of our league games.

Shelly checked with her husband, who is an attorney, on the question of who is liable if a parent wanted to take action against FWSA. Depending upon whether we are a "corporation" or an "association" -- if we are a corporation, the league is liable; if we are an association, the board members are liable. Jayne is going to look through the old minutes and see if she can find any of the original papers, namely, our Articles of Incorporation.

° Team Rep Meeting

- + Kings Park Library on 2/14/89 -- board members at 7:00 p.m.
team reps at 7:30 p.m.
- + Discussed need for Referee Information Sheet. Motion was made that the need for the Referee Information Sheet be addressed at a later date and brought up to date at the same time the Rules are being readdressed by Terry and Denise. Motion was seconded.

Vote: For: 8; Against: 0; Abstain: 0 -- Motion carried.

° Question of whether FWSA can sell mailing lists of league members.

- + Sally Entlich has sold the league mailing lists for \$35.00. Brenda Ford, Jayne's sister, felt this might jeopardize our Not-For-Profit tax status if the profit is not used toward a community project. The ads being sold would fall into the same concern. If all profits are being rolled into the Field Development account, it should be OK.
- + The Board decided to not sell the mailing lists until we could announce in the Goal Post this is being done. This would give members an opportunity to express their views on the subject.
- + At the Team Rep meeting on the sign-up sheet, we are going to place a column asking Team Reps to check if they did not mind their names being given out on a mailing list.
- + Sally did not want to have to flag this on the registration form.

° Soccer Clinic

- + John Ellis is interested in providing a ladies only clinic (see attachment).
- + The Board agreed to ask John Ellis to run his clinic. Shelly is going to tell John we are interested in the weeks of August 14th and August 21st.

° Referee Clinic

- + There are a dozen people interested at this time in going through the clinic. Pam Godfrey volunteered to work with the referee association in organizing this clinic. Board suggested we could encourage people to sign up by offering to pay the \$25 registration fee if they successfully completed the course and ref'd 10 FWSA games either the center but most likely the sidelines.

MOTION: If an FWSA player successfully completes the referee course and referees 10 FWSA games either in the center or on the sidelines, FWSA will reimburse that player the \$25 registration fee.

Vote: For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 2. Motion carried.

° Masters B Friendship Tournament

- + Penny Shulstead volunteered to organize. Shelly will try to accommodate this on the schedule. Ten players from Our Gang are interested in playing.

° Question of Nationally Ranked Players in Masters B

- + The question was raised again to Shelly concerning nationally ranked players playing in Masters B. This team felt it was not fair for some teams in Masters B to play against these people. Requested the Board consider a rule to restrict nationally ranked players in Masters B.
- + The Board is addressing this concern by not allowing dual registration in Masters B. If a player plays for another league -- there is no way we can monitor/police these players.

6. NEW BUSINESS

° Summer Soccer League

- + Candy Sanderson (Shaboom) has volunteered to run the summer soccer league.
- + Mary Beth and Cathy volunteered to work with Candy. We will also get volunteers from the spring registrations.

° Tournament

- + We need to organize ASAP. Kim and Terry volunteered to work with whoever volunteers to head up the committee. We need to find someone! Get names of volunteers from the spring registrations.

° Eurosoccer -- Roger Creed

- + See attached sheet. Roger wants to advertise his clinic in our Goal Post in March. The Board would like to invite him to speak at our General Assembly meeting in May. He would also like a copy of our Team Rep List.

° Goalkeeper Clinic -- AWSL

- + Wanda Rixon, President of the Arlington Women's Soccer Clinic, would like to announce a goalkeeper clinic Arlington is going to sponsor this spring in the Goal Post.

° Masters Blasters Name Change

- + Masters Blasters are changing their name to Top 40.
- + They also requested permission to change their uniform colors to Gold and Purple jerseys with white shorts. Board agreed to let them switch colors.

° General Assembly Meeting

- + Try to schedule meeting sometime during the week of May 15th. Advertise in the Goal Post. Reward the team who shows up with the most players with a pizza party.

° Schedule

- + Question was raised whether the weekend we have no games should be the Easter weekend or spring break weekend? Decided to ask team reps at the Team Rep meeting.
- + Board discussed adopting Arlington's method of scheduling games. Specifically, all divisions play on one field -- rotating the fields each each; 2) if a team requests a rescheduled game, advise Head Commissioner 10 days before the game is to be played; and no special requests.

Pros: Easier to schedule; better control of equipment; if one team did not line, only that division would suffer; every team would play on each field twice.

Cons: People like special requests.

MOTION: Beginning for the fall season, FWSA will no longer accept special requests. Seconded.

Vote: For: 8; Against: 0; Abstain: 0 -- Motion carried.

MOTION: Change Rule 19 -- teams must advise Head Commissioner 10 days in advance of a game they wish to be rescheduled. Seconded.

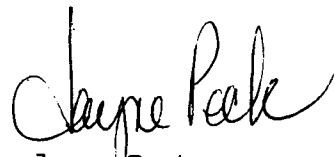
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- ° Shelly passed out new FIFA Rule Books to commissioners for their use.
- ° Shelly passed out schedule for Board Meetings.
- ° Jayne is to re-do the rules for the meeting and bring copies of the field map to the meeting.
- ° MOTION: Accept the Rules as revised with changes made tonight. Seconded.

Vote: For: 8; Against: 0; Abstain: 0 -- Motion carried.

Next Board meeting to be held March 13, 1989, 7:30 p.m. at Cathy Schourek's home.

Meeting Adjourned.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jayne Peck".

Jayne Peck
Secretary, Spring 1989

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