

## Meeting Minutes for November 17<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting

**Board Meeting Attendees: Amy Pitzer, Jeff Kuczera, Paul Pitzer, Kevin Duggins, Brenda Olsen, Jody Cline, Tracey Stout, Dawn Webster, Linda Wagner**

1. Club Structure
  - a. The board discussed the current configuration of the rec and travel boards and decided that it makes sense to fully integrate the programs, both financially and organizationally. There was some discussion about the integration of the Adult League as well. Kevin Duggins requested further dialogue between the Executive Board and the Board of KASL to see if an agreement could be established.
  - b. Amy Pitzer put a motion on the table to accept the new structure shown in Figure 1 and Jeff Kuczera seconded the motion. The motion was passed with all in favor.
  - c. This change will take effect as of Jan 1, 2012 and will be formally announced at the general meeting on January 26<sup>th</sup>. Elections will also be held at that time.
  - d. Updated bylaws to include these structural changes will be submitted, reviewed, and voted on at the January meeting.
2. Plans for new facility
  - a. There was discussion about future financial needs for the Wildcat Creek Soccer Complex. The following items were put on the table as potential future needs. Holly and Amy are working to solicit grants and donations from the community. We are also looking at fundraising opportunities. A 5 year plan will need to be established and presented at the January General Meeting and Elections.
    - i. Mower - \$40,000-50,000 new, \$25,000 used
    - ii. Concession Stand Building with storage and flush toilets - \$20,000-\$40,00 concrete block
    - iii. Irrigation System - T200S reel (new) will be \$8500
    - iv. New and Additional Goals and Nets - TBD
3. Winter Training
  - a. Winter training will begin at Memorial Gym the week after Thanksgiving. The first week will consist of additional tryouts for kids who could not make it to the original tryout. The subsequent schedule will be determined and rolled out that week of the 28th.
  - b. Special balls must be used in the gym whenever there is kicking. The club will purchase an indoor ball for each team to use. It must be returned to the club at the end of the season or will be deducted from coaches pay.
4. Referee Training
  - a. The club is in dire need of certified referees. Glen Russell is scheduling a referee training course in Kokomo one weekend in January. Bruce King has volunteered to become the Referee Coordinator in Kokomo, and will assist in the training as well as spreading the word about the course.

- b. As an incentive for more people to become certified referees, Amy put a motion on the table that one-half of the cost of the class be reimbursed by Kokomo Soccer Club once the individual has been certified as a referee and three (3) travel games have been refereed. Participants will be required to pay entire cost of class upfront. The minimum age to apply for reimbursement is fourteen (14) years. Brenda seconded the motion. The minimum age for the training is 14. This offer applies to newly certified referees only
5. Treasurers Report
  - a. Linda Wagner provided the treasurer's report for the year as well as a preliminary budget based on 2011 actuals.
6. Fundraising/Sponsorship Report–
  - a. Holly was unable to attend the meeting, but reported ahead that she was looking into a winter fundraiser that would be extended to the rec players as well. She is planning to do a discount card that kids could sell with specials from local businesses and try to target some of the businesses in the local vicinity of the new facility. We would try to sell them through the spring season and offer those businesses the opportunity to be a part of our grand opening celebration.
  - b. Any other ideas for fundraising, please submit to Holly
7. Registrar's Report – Brenda
  - a. Brenda reported that there are several players who came to tryouts but did not submit paperwork. She sent out the latest registration numbers to coaches so that they can start calling players. She is planning to resend after commitment night to understand the number of committed players in anticipation of the January 15<sup>th</sup> team registration deadline.
8. Uniform Coordinator – Dawn
  - a. The feedback forms from the 2011 fall season indicated that uniforms were the biggest source of frustration from parents. Dawn was equally frustrated with the situation, and is currently looking into new suppliers.
  - b. There is a planned uniform change for fall 2012. We have several new players coming in this season. We will be sending out a blast asking players who are not playing anymore to donate or sell their uniforms to reduce the cost to the new players since they will only be wearing them for one season.
9. New Business/Roundtable
  - a. Commitment Night is scheduled at Bible Baptist Church for Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30 pm