

NP United Meeting Minutes January 5, 2015

North Platte United Board Meeting

Monday, January 5, 2015

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 PM

Attendance: Brian Bielicki, Brad Borges, Jeff Hedgecock, Bob Nitsch, Scott Evans, Brian Torrez, Vikki Carlson, Sara Kaminski, Karen Hatch, Eric Carter.

1. Update on Thunder: Eric Carter's U14 Boy's Team.
Please register with the club if you are on Eric's team.
2. Spring League Registration is due by January 21, 2015. Each team will handle their own registration and fees.
3. NP United Soccer Ball Fundraiser: Karen Hatch and April Baade.
We will order 300 soccer balls with a NP United Logo on them. We got the OK to sell them to AYSO players. Probably the most effective way to notify these players is to make a pitch on the Facebook page when they notify players that AYSO is starting. Then, just be at the concession stand that first week of AYSO so they can purchase a ball.
4. NP Tourney Update: Meeting was in conflict with Jaide's work schedule. Tourney update coming.
5. NP Tourney: All NP United Teams are expected to be represented in our home tourney.
6. D&N Practice times are posted on website.
7. Fundraising Chair: We still need one.
8. NP United Team Sponsors: TEAMS who have a sponsor they wish to recognize can do so on a TEAM t-shirt. The uniforms will not be showing sponsors.
9. Tournament Schedules: Coaches PLEASE get your tournament schedule to Scott Evans at scottevansnop@live.com so he can post it for your players and families.
10. Bob Nitsch: u8 Girls Team is in the works. Practice will start in February/March
11. UNIFORM ORDERS: Teams, your uniform orders are due to Soccer Plus by February 1. TEAMS HANDLE THEIR OWN ORDER. THIS IS NOT DONE BY THE CLUB.
12. Club t-shirts will be printed and distributed in February/March. Coaches, PLEASE submit your team t-shirt order to Karen Hatch (khatch@atcjet.net) by February 1. We need sizes and quantities, please.
13. NP United Players who need a new soccer ball can purchase one of the fundraiser soccer balls. Coaches, PLEASE submit your team soccer ball order to Karen Hatch (khatch@atcjet.net) by February 1. We need sizes and quantities, please.
14. Accurate Screenprinting does the numbers and NP United Badges on our jerseys. They are aware our orders are coming, but please submit them in a timely and orderly fashion. Please only take your jerseys down there, as they do not need to keep track of the other pieces of our uniforms for us.
15. NP United Rep for AYSO: Brian going to ask Kim Patch.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:52 PM

Minutes Respectfully Submitted: Karen Hatch

NP United Meeting Minutes for February 3, 2015

North Platte United Board Meeting

February 3, 2015

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 PM

B.Bielicki, J.Sutton, S.Evans, K.Smith, B.Borges, B.Torrez, E.Carter, S.Pagel

1. Jaide Has signed our contract with kick t. Start putting together your 3v3 teams! Parent volunteers will start getting the calls for help. The state has OK'd it also.
2. Soccer balls will wait until fall. They have a huge backlog of club orders right now.
3. If you have not put in your uniform orders. please do so ASAP
4. Teams going to spring league are Surge, Storm, Hornets, and possibly the Stingers
5. Please send your tournament list for the year to Scott Evans so he can get them on your webpage. Its helpful to parents and coaches

Adjourned

North Platte United March Board Meeting

Hampton Inn

March 3, 2015

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 PM

Attendance: Brian Bielicki, Jaide Sutton, Brad Borges, Scott Letourneau, Scott Evans, Bob Nitsch, Jeff Dike, Karen Hatch

1. Tournament Update: Flyers can go out.

Promote tournament as much as we can.

Tournament volunteer meeting coming up.

2. Uniform Orders: Contact Brian Bielicki before ordering uniforms.

Soccer Plus is struggling with some things.

3. U16 and U18 teams formed and forming

Hoping for support from high school as we move forward with this.

4. Secretary Position: Tiffany Letourneau resigned the secretary position.

We do need a volunteer to take the position.

5. Fundraising Position: IS OPEN

We do need a volunteer to take this position.

6. Referee Training/Being a Ref: NP United Players encouraged to referee games their age and younger. It is an opportunity to teach and promote.

NP United website to sign up and referee games.

7. Ball Shagging for North Platte High School: Schedule is posted under Bulldog support on the NP United website.

Meeting Adjourned 7:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Karen Hatch

North Platte United Board Meeting
Tuesday April 7, 2015
Meeting Called to order at 7:20

Attendance: Scott Evans, Bob Nitsch, Brad Borges, Scott LeTourneau, Brian Torrez, Brian Bielicki, Karen Hatch.

1. Tournament Update: Jaide Sutton got called away. Tournament questions/responsibilities will get bumped to next meeting.

Please pass the word around about the tournament. Each team only needs 3 players. It really shouldn't be too difficult to throw together a team. Adult teams are welcome.

2. The fields are a very busy place right now. If someone needs space to practice, then please share a field with another team.
3. North Platte United along with AYSO will sponsor a basket at the Miss Nebraska Fundraiser.
4. Uniform orders/Concerns please contact the Diadora Rep directly. Jerry Collins 828-244-7118.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:44
Respectfully Submitted: Karen Hatch

NP United Meeting Minutes for May 5th 2015

North Platte United Board Meeting
May 5, 2015

Meeting Called to Order: 7:15

Attendance: Brian Bielicki, Brad Borges, Scott Evans, Kyle Shepherd, Brian Torrez, Karen Hatch, Eric Carter, Jian Hou, Scott LeTourneau, Tiffany LeTourneau.

1. Teams are getting responsibilities for getting our North Platte 3v3 tournament going on May 30-31. As a coach, please communicate with parents and players so we have volunteers.

If we have enough volunteers nothing should be overwhelming.
Please communicate with families so we can get the volunteers out there.

2. Registration for Kick-It. Registration is proving to be difficult.
Make sure player name and age is correct.
Call Jaide with questions.

3. Rape and Domestic Abuse is doing concessions for the tournament. Families will not need to volunteer for concessions.

4. Early Bird Registration ends May 20.
Fee up until then is \$165.

5. Diadora Uniforms: Sorry for the confusion.
Moving forward the club needs to pick a new vendor and a new uniform. Jerry Collins:
jerry@eastmansales.com Under players' Apparel on the webpage.

6. North Platte United Logo Soccer Ball-We are going to move forward on that. Talking to rep.

7. Disciplinary/Code of Conduct Action. Coach presented to Board regarding problems with a parent. This is the second time this same coach came to board regarding this parent. Coach is sending a list of parent actions to disciplinary committee. Disciplinary committee will draft an action plan, and present it to coach and then present it to parent.

8. General Coaching Information: Ultimately it is about developing players and developing teams. Frustrations with coaches, please take the high road and realize you rarely regret what you don't say.

9. High School Teams: David Mata is taking a team and doing some tournaments.

Large number of JV boys players looking for a team.

10. Secretary Position is open. We do need someone to fill this position. The primary responsibility for this position is attending the board meetings and publishing the minutes.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:36

Respectfully Submitted: Karen Hatch

NP United Meeting Minutes for June 2, 2015

1. The Meeting for June was canceled.
2. Club News -- All teams registered for the tourney will get full refunds. It will be credited back to the form of payment used originally.

NP United Meeting Minutes July 7, 2015

1. The Board Meeting for July was cancelled due to scheduling conflicts.
2. Club News --- The 2015-16 North Platte United Soccer Club registration will be open from July 13th to August 1st.

NP United Meeting Minutes for August 4, 2015

1. The August NPU meeting scheduled for Tuesday the 4th has been cancelled.
2. If there is issues that need addressed, please email or text Brian B. or Karen H. Contact information is on the Board page.

NP United Meeting Minutes for August 31, 2015

North Platte United

September Board Meeting

Meeting Held: 7:00 PM August 31, 2015

Attendance: Brad Borges, Brian Bielicki, Brian Torrez, Scott Letourneau, Scott Evans, Sarah Kaminski, April Baade, Bob Nitsch, Kyle Shepherd, Karen Hatch. (10)

1. Board Positions will open up in December. Any parent or coach wanting to be on the NP United Board please contact Brian Bielicki. **Nominations / intent to run for board positions need to be submitted no later than the NOVEMBER North Platte United Soccer board meeting please.**
2. Diadora Orders: They are reporting outstanding balances. Many of these are in error. Please call and straighten this out with the supplier.

All Future Orders go through Tony at Soccer International. His information is on the website. We are waiting for written confirmation. The price he is quoting is excellent. Kit with badges and numbers shipped for \$xxx (please email SI for current price).

We have not spent our Diadora promo dollars. Brian will figure out how much each team gets.

3. New Birthday Guidelines to Determine Teams: Summer of 2016 nothing changes, but at the completion of next summer's season US Soccer, and Nebraska Soccer want to change to a calendar year to determine the cut-off for team's players rather than the system currently used which is an academic calendar.

This does not take effect until next summer's season is over. But, it may cause some shuffling of players from team to team at the end of next year. Brian Bielicki will forward the email from US Soccer, to anyone who would like to read it.

4. Updates from Scott Evans-Web Manager: Web-page fees, and fees to maintain our domain title have been assessed. Scott will pass on to the accountant, and we will pay the bill at the 5-year rate.

There was an extra fee to for sports engine to change formats to accommodate smart phones-those in attendance voted to decline this upgrade.

5. Custom NP United Soccer Balls: Company is located in Michigan. We are sending a rep to look into this possibility. We dropped the past company because they could not deliver the product on time. Rep will hopefully report on the custom soccer availability at the next NP United meeting.

6. New Team Formation

- A. Bobbi Johnson U8 Girls with Bob Nitsch: Bob Bitschwill be the official coach for the U9 girls, and Bobbi Johnson will be the official coach for the U8 girls. Both coaches will work together, and both groups of girls will continue to practice together. But, when they enter tournaments they will be divided into 2 teams.
- B. Daniel Whitney U8
- C. Scott Letourneau U10.

All three coaches, please decide on a team name, then we can open a page on the website, and open registration for any new players. The team web page can be a resource for interested parents.

7. Tournament Account: Our accountant suggested we close the tournament account, and transfer that small amount of funds into the general account. Those in attendance voted unanimously to move forward on that suggestion.
8. Tournament Director: Jaide Sutton (Tournament Director) and Brian Bielicki agreed to stop payment to tournament director. Jaide suggested that funds no longer be transferred to tournament director because there was no tournament.
9. Fundraiser for the Jeff Hedgecock Family: Jeff was a long-time coach for NP United and he is currently very ill. As a show of our respect and admiration NP United is doing a fundraiser to support their family. The fundraiser is called UNITED FOR JEFF. We are going to order bracelets that say this, and hopefully sell them at some of the high school sporting events. Sarah Kaminski and April Baade are moving forward with this fundraiser. If you wish to help, please contact them.
10. UNK Soccer Games: NP United has a very good rapport with John Maessener, who coaches women's soccer at UNK. If any coaches would like to plan a team trip to watch a game contact Coach Maessener and he will make arrangements to have your NP United team announced at the game and maybe give the team some fun responsibilities.
11. Kyle Shepherd Addressed Board: Kyle Shepherd addressed the Board regarding the grievance committee hearing which was held in May. He was particularly frustrated with the lapse in the meeting schedule because he felt this should have been handled more promptly.
12. Proposal to Make Changes to Policy Manual: October meeting we will discuss how best to handle this process. Should changes be handled item by item in a board meeting, or should they be handled by a sub-committee who then brings all changes to the Board to be voted on.

This will be discussed in the October Meeting. If you have strong feelings about changes to the policy manual please attend the October meeting and make suggestions on how this should proceed.

13. NP United 3v3 Tournament Cancelled: In May the NP United 3v3 tournament was cancelled due to poor attendance from anyone other than NP teams. We thought it counter-productive to just scrimmage each other in a tournament format so the tournament was canceled. NP United did pay a small cancellation fee, but Kick-It did refund all teams their registration fees.

Minutes Respectfully by Vice President Karen Hatch

NP United Meeting Minutes for October 6, 2015
North Platte United

October Meeting
October 6, 2015

Meeting Called to Order: 7:02 PM
North Platte Hampton Inn

Attendance: Brian Bielicki, Scott Evans, Brad Borges, April Baade, Rob Harper, Karen Hatch

1. Board Position Intentions due by November Meeting. Please make sure parents are aware they can hold a board position.
2. Age Guidelines for the state of Nebraska will be changing in August. Other clubs are addressing this change in roster sooner rather than later. Suggesting coaches sit down well before August and do a roster evaluation and form a plan.

January Board Meeting: Coaches, please, attend this meeting so this item can truly be addressed.

3. Custom North Platte United Soccer Balls: Minimum order was 400 soccer balls. Both a club ball and a select ball were available. At cost the club ball was over \$20, and the select ball was over \$30. To order 400 units, the club was going to put out a significant amount of money. After discussion, those in attendance agreed to pass on the custom order.

4. Diadora: If you have an outstanding balance with Diadora, please take care of it.

Promo Orders: 14 teams dividing the promo dollars equally. Brian will be contacting coaches to discuss how much is available. Please make sure your order is accurate.

5. Team Names: New teams can't be posted on the website, and players can't be registered without a team name to post it under. Please contact Brian with your team names.

6. United for Jeff: Long time coach and Board member for NP United Jeff Hedgecock is very ill. As a club we are selling bracelets for \$3 each at sporting events around North Platte. If you or your team would like to host such an event please contact April Baade at baadeapril@yahoo.com, or Brian Bielicki.

7. D&N Event Center: Brad Borges is in charge of setting up the D&N. There is an increased demand for this facility. Please submit your requests promptly to Brad so we can maximize out time at the D&N.

Our time starts in November and goes through the end of March. We have Thursday evenings, and Sundays.

Blocks will be passed out in 1.5 hour increments.

New turf will be installed in January, Due to improvements in facility, the rates will increase.

8. UNK Games. UNK Soccer season runs through October. Coach Maessener has shown much interest in having our club teams attend a game. Please contact Brian Bielicki, if interested.
9. Policy Manual Changes-Tabled until November

10. Update from Scott Evans-Web Manager

Website Renewed.

Domain/address extended for 3 years.

Scott would appreciate the new team names, so he can set up your team pages.

11. Halloween 3v3 in Gretna the weekend of November 6. Deadline to register is fast approaching. Please consider taking your teams.

12. No News from Tony at Soccer Internationale: So still waiting to hear the official price on a uniform kit.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:52

Minutes Respectfully Submitted: Karen Hatch

NP United Meeting Minutes for November 2nd 2015

North Platte United Board Meeting
November 2, 2015

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00

All items tabled to December meeting.

NP United Meeting Minutes for December 8th, 2015

North Platte United Board Meeting

Tuesday December 8, 2015

7:00 PM

Hampton Inn

Attendance: Brian Bielicki, Scott Evans, Danny Whitney, Sara Kaminski, April Baade, Bob Nitsch, Tiffany Letourneau, Scott Letourneau, John Rhoden, Karen Hatch, Eric Carter, Brian Torrez (12 in attendance.)

Meeting Called to Order: 7:10

1. New Age Guidelines: Effective August 1. Teams will be set up based on birthdays in a calendar year, rather than an academic year. Coaches please communicate and have teams interact so players who need to make a transition to another team do not find this difficult.

2. Team Names for New Teams

U8 Boys coached by Danny Whitney-NP United Edge

U10 Girls coached by Scott Letourneau-NP United Elite

U8 Girls coached by Bobbi Johnson and Bob Nitsch-NP United Wild Things II

3. United for Jeff Fundraiser: Bracelets were brought to meeting. Anyone who would like to do a bit of fundraising in support of Jeff Hedgecock please call Brian Bielicki and he will help you get the bracelets to sell as a way to support Jeff.

4. D&N Times: Brad Borges put together the schedule for practice times at the D&N. It should be posted on website soon.

5. Policy Manual Changes: Table discussion until January

6. Soccer Internationale: Update from Scott Evans. Still putting together their info to give us a price on the basic uniform kit with 2jerseys, 1 shorts, and 2 socks.

7. New Board Position: Uniform Coordinator. Vendors would prefer 1 contact person for the club, not 1 for each team.

8. Uniform Coordinator: John Rhoden. John grew up in North Platte. He played soccer growing up here but graduated before the high school had a team. Although, he was part of the first group of students to petition for a high school team. John is retired Navy, and back in North Platte helping to care for his parents. He wants to get involved in North Platte United Soccer.

9. Bob Nitsch presented his concerns for concussion protection for his players. Coaches please share any information you may have regarding the concussion protection headbands that are out there. If you have literature or information we would appreciate copies at upcoming meetings.

10. High School Shagging: High School Soccer Schedule is posted on the website. Scott Letourneau will coordinate with coaches to get teams scheduled for shagging at high school games.

If your spring is looking to be busy, please check the schedule now and request your games.

11. Board Positions for 2016

President-Brian Bielicki

Vice President- to be shared by Tiffany Letourneau and Bob Nitsch

Coaching Director- Scott Letourneau

Uniform Coordinator-John Rhoden

Secretary-Karen Hatch

12. We need a Registrar!! Jenny Zachry no longer has children in NP United and we need to fill this position so she can step down.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:20

Minutes Respectfully Submitted: Karen Hatch