# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER BOARD MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 3, 2017

# I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.) 7:05 PM

A. Attendance: Bob Nitsch, Bobbie Johnson, Kristina Smith, Scott Evans, Karen Hatch, Sarah Kaminski, April Baade, Danny Whitney, Larry Miles (9).

B. Purpose of meeting: Scheduled Board Meeting

C. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

#### II. FINANCIAL REPORT

A. · Kyle Gifford / Peggy A. Report

No actual report to present.

Question regarding the D&N Contract.

We need to confirm whether or not the contract was signed.

Please confirm your scheduled time to practice, with Bob or Brad and you may begin practicing.

# III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)

A. December 12, 2016 Board Meeting Approved as submitted.

#### IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues
  - Update names on club CDs
    - a) Nebraska Land Bank Club Account
    - b) We do have accounts at First National Bank where officers' names need to be updated.
  - Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution
     We need to confirm the club's tax ID Number, and we may be able to move forward.

#### B. D&N Event Center

- Contract for Use of D&N Event Center (Brad Borgess Update)
- Winter Practice Time Slots / Sheet (Brad Borgess Update)
   Brad was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Those present penciled together a schedule. Everyone was willing to be flexible, and we realize there may be teams that need different times. Please contact Bob, or Brad to confirm your team's practice times.
- 3. Sarah Kaminski, and Danny Whitney may have an NSA conflict of interest if they are in the D&N at the same time as any high school teams. Please try to make sure their youth teams aren't in the D&N with the high school teams.
- 4. Most teams are not ready to practice every week this early in January. Please feel free to contact each other and switch times. Communication is key, but we are paying for the practice fields and we may as well use them.
- C. License Update for Club Coaches
  - "D" License (Brian B., Donna B., Karen H., Bob N., Sarah K., April B.)
     Due to busy winter and fall schedules we will not attempt the second weekend of D training until Early summer.
- D. Centennial Soccer Fields Goal / Net Replacement Update (Scott Evans)
  - 1. Still in progress

#### E. AYSO

- Next AYSO Meeting is 1/15/17 at 7:00 PM at the North Platte Chamber Building. Bob N. plans to attend if at all possible.
- 2. Goal / Net Issue Update-Still in progress
  - a) Size
  - b) Cost

# F. Player Age Group / Team Setup

December 12, 2016 Meeting – Vote was to choose Option 3

Option 3: Keep older club teams (teams with players of 2007 or older calendar year birthdates) as is but require them to meet the new club policies regarding the limitations on players aging up

And

Require all new club teams with calendar year age group players 2008 or younger to meet the new club policies regarding team formation, age grouping, and play up limitations.

- 2. Coach / Player Parent Discussion to Date
  - a) Feedback?
  - b) Notification of players playing up two years that they will need to drop back down?
  - c) Calendar Year Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form
    - Getting the form reviewed by legal-in the works
       Motion made and approved to pay for legal counsel on the document if needed.
    - (2) Getting the form out to player parents to sign-please let us confirm validity with legal counsel before you make copies and pass out to parents

### G. Coaching Training

- "D" License Training
  - Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
    - (1) How is everyone doing on Maren's follow up homework assignment? Has anyone started it?
    - (2) Update on the purchase / use of graphics software to fill out the session planners.
    - (3) Recommended we purchase Academy Soccer Coach
      - (a) Session Planner Computer Software
        - (i) Can the club procure this software and put on the website or have it available for all the coaches to use?
        - (ii) How many software licenses to procure?
    - (4) Availability of Training Time with U13 Players for Follow Up Session Planner Coursework homework
    - (5) Timing and Location for Follow Up Second Session with Maren
      - (a) When / Where

### V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Club Constitution
  - Need to revise / update Club Constitution
  - 2. Who can help on this effort?

We may spend some time at the end of each monthly meeting to work through constitution.

- What other issues do we need to address?
  - a) Board members
  - b) North Platte Tournament
  - c) Who is a voting member of the board?

### B. Club Bylaws

- Need to revise / update Club Constitution
- Who can help on this effort?
  - Need to integrate the Philosophy, Procedure, and Policy Book into our Bylaws as well or merge these documents
- 3. What other issues do we need to address?

- a) Board members and outline their responsibilities
- b) North Platte Tournament
- c) Concussion reporting / protocol
- d) Player safety -Background checks for coaches -Always have 2 adults at practice.

# C. Tournament Selection for Age Pure Club Teams

Elkhorn – August

It was recommended this tournament be the one NP United sends age pure teams based on birth year.

We just don't know how our age hybrid teams will stack up against other tournament competition. We really don't know how our age pure teams will stack up against tournament competition. This was one way to isolate this variable and take an objective look at the age grouping issue. We truly hope to have coaches' support and parents' support for this tournament.

### D. Coach Issues

- Jennifer Schmid / Davian Wallace assistance with NP United Wolves
  - a) Input from Casey Mann / Marc Currie on how to address
- Danny Whitney New Team

Motion made and approved

U8 Boys "Fusion" for boys born in 2009 and 2010

# E. Club Communication with Player Parents

- Considering putting out a hard copy mailing to all club player parents
   Working on a mailing, or at this point at least a hard copy document NP United will ask
   coaches to distribute at practice.
  - a) Developing a mail list (Jennifer S. / Bob N.)
- Goal of Mailing:
  - a) Improve the transparency issue of what's going on in the club
  - b) Promote club activities, growth, success
- Content of Mailing
  - a) Update on player age group issue
    - Items considered by club in addressing this issue
    - (2) Items player parents need to consider if their child is "playing up"
    - (3) Moving forward (Change in club bylaws)
  - b) Summary report on club officers
  - c) Summary report on club financials
  - d) Summary report on team formation / team coaches
  - e) Summary of items being considered to improve North Platte soccer facilities
  - f) Survey on what parents want their player to get out of playing with the club

### F. Next Meeting

Scheduled for February 7, 2016 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.

#### VI. CLOSING COMMENTS

### A. Next Meeting Agenda

NP United Club Visitor Waiver

Develop a liability waiver for those occasions when a potential new player would like to visit a practice.

- Content of Mailing/Club Handout
- Constitution and By Laws
- 4. Outline process/responsibilities of aging up 2 years for tournament play.

# VII. MEETING ADJOURNED 8:21 PM

Minutes Respectfully Submitted: Karen Hatch

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER CLUB MEETING AGENDA FEBRUARY 8, 2017

## I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.)

# Meeting Called to order: 7:00 PM

- A. Roll Call: Bob Nitsch, Karen Hatch, Brad Borges, Scott LeTourneau, Bobbie Johnson, Scott Evans, Bill Phye
- B. Introduction of Visitors: Courtney Fegter North Platte Sports Marketing and Event Specialist for Lincoln County Visitor's Bureau
- C. Purpose of meeting: Monthly Board Meeting
- D. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

#### II. FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Kyle Gifford / Peggy A. Report Approved as submitted

# III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)

A. January 3, 2017 Board Meeting

Approved as submitted

### IV. PLAY NORTH PLATTE

- A. Courtney Fegter from the NP Visitor Bureau spoke about the NP Visitor's Bureau "Play North Platte" website.
- B. Noted that their website can cross link to other websites.
- C. Noted that they can help provide incentive funds for tournaments if the club were to have one.
- D. They also offer grants to improve facilities. They will open these grants up in May of this year.

#### V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues
  - Update names on club CDs
    - a) Nebraska Land Bank Club Account
  - 2. Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution
  - Need to get to First National to get signature cards changed.

#### B. D&N Event Center

- Contract for Use of D&N Event Center (Bob Nitsch Update)
- Winter Practice Time Slots / Sheet (Schedule Update)
- 3. Track Time and number of uses at the D&N Event Center
  - a) Bob N. requests all United coaches who use the D&N to track their time and number of uses at the facility.
  - b) Will want to gather this information by the April 2017 Board meeting.
  - c) Want to use this information to see what value the club is getting out the use of the D&N.
- 4. Bill Phye noted several concerns with the use of the turf area in the D&N center. Specifically he noted that there were large gaps between the turf pieces, soft spots in the turf, etc. It was noted by several other coaches

at the meeting that this has been an ongoing concern with the use of the facility.

- C. Centennial Soccer Fields Goal / Net Replacement Update (Scott Evans)
- D. AYSO
  - Next AYSO Meeting is Monday, February 13, 2017.
  - Goal / Net Issue Update (Scott Evans)
    - a) K. Patch noted that AYSO is buying up to six goals
    - b) Going to order from AYSO store to address liability issue.
  - 3. Motion to provide up to \$4,500 or 50% to AYSO to buy a up to six total goals? (Estimated cost will be close to \$9,000.)
    At this time NP United will not purchase goals. The dimensions for the AYSO goals does not match the goals recommended by US Soccer.
    Should AYSO approach us at a later time we will consider the purchase, but, for now, NP United will not be purchasing new goals.
  - AYSO practice times start March 4<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>. First games are on Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup>. The first Tuesday night games are on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Games will run through the last Saturday in April
  - Have been respectfully asked by K. Patch to see if United teams can make way for the AYSO teams practicing between March 4th – 17th.
- E. Player Age Group / Team Setup
  - Coach / Player Feedback?
  - Notification of players playing up two years that they will need to drop back down?

These parents/players will need to sign a waiver for each tournament if they choose to age up 2 years to acknowledge the added risk.

- Calendar Year Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form
  - Getting the form reviewed by legal
  - b) Getting the form out to player parents to sign
- F. Coaching Training
  - "D" License Training (No update. Same as last month)
    - a) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
      - (1) How is everyone doing on Maren's follow up homework assignment? Has anyone started it?
      - (2) Update on the purchase / use of graphics software to fill out the session planners.
        - (a) Session Planner Computer Software
          - (i) Can the club procure this software and put on the website or have it available for all the coaches to use? Discuss motion to purchase Academy Software for NP United coaches.
          - (ii) How many software licenses to procure?
      - (3) Availability of Training Time with U13 Players for Follow Up Session Planner Coursework homework
      - (4) Timing and Location for Follow Up Second Session with Maren
        - (a) When / Where

- G. Club Constitution
  - Club Constitution revision status (No update. Same as last month)
  - What other issues do we need to address?
- H. Club Bylaws
  - Club Bylaws revision status (No update. Same as last month)
    - Need to integrate the Philosophy, Procedure, and Policy Book into our Bylaws as well or merge these documents
  - 2. What other issues do we need to address?
    - a) Board members
    - b) North Platte Tournament
    - c) Concussion reporting / protocol
    - d) Player safety
- I. Tournament Play Up Form
  - Bob Nitsch noted that he has not made any progress on this issue yet.
     Will generate a form to note a parents request to have a player play up two years at tournaments.
- J. Tournament Selection for Age Pure Club Teams
  - Elkhorn August
- K. Coach Issues
  - Jennifer Schmid / Davian Wallace assistance with NP United Wolves
    - a) Has the background check for Davian been completed?
- L. Club Communication with Player Parents (No update. Same as last month)
  - Considering putting out a hard copy mailing to all club player parents
    - a) Developing a mail list (Jennifer S. / Bob N.)
  - Goal of Mailing:
    - a) Improve the transparency issue of what's going on in the club
    - b) Promote club activities, growth, success
  - Content of Mailing
    - update on player age group issue
      - (1) Items considered by club in addressing this issue
      - (2) Items player parents need to consider if their child is "playing up"
      - (3) Moving forward (Change in club bylaws)
    - b) Summary report on club officers
    - c) Summary report on club financials
    - d) Summary report on team formation / team coaches
    - e) Summary of items being considered to improve North Platte soccer facilities
    - Survey on what parents want their player to get out of playing with the club

### VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Nebraska Spring League
  - 1. Are any club teams planning on playing? No information at this time

- B. Club Register Update
  - Any New Affinity Software Issues?
    - a) Currently in the process of getting players transferred to Affinity
  - Team Registration Issues
    - a) Girls '09 Team for Matt Wehr
  - Player Registration
    - a) Is the club registration link open? Have new interested players Yes, the link is open
- . C. Ball Shagging Schedule for NP High School Games
  - Boys / Girls sign up schedule on NP United website Scott LeTourneau working on the schedule
  - Each team needs to sign up to shag balls for games?
  - D. Fundraiser
    - AYSO concessions
      - Per K. Patch, there will likely be some open Saturday's to man the concession stands at Centennial during AYSO.
      - Will open it up to other organizations to staff if they want to use for a small fundraiser.
         Different teams may be able to utilize this as a fundraiser.
- E. Soccer.com site uniform selection
  - Why two girls menu (Striker Select vs. Striker Girls)
    - a) Utilize Striker Girls Kit menu?
    - b) Eliminate Striker Select Menu
  - Sock size (Cannot get youth sizes)
  - 3. Do we want to allow use of vertical striped uniform tops?
- F. Next Meeting
  - Scheduled for March 7, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.

### VII. CLOSING COMMENTS

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED Meeting adjourned 8:27 PM

Minutes Respectfully Submitted: Karen Hatch

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER CLUB MEETING MINUTES MARCH 7, 2017

(Minutes for various meeting topics are shown in "Italics")

# I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.)

- A. Roll Call (Karen H.)
  - Meeting Attendees were Jennifer Schmid, Kristina Smith, Bobbie Johnson, Scott Evans, Bill Phye
- B. Introduction of Visitors
  - Troy Tickle Player parent, Larry Miles Player Parent, Stephanie Phye
     Player parent
- C. Purpose of meeting
- D. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

### II. FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Kyle Gifford / Peggy A. Report
  - Bob N. provide the February 2017 financial report from the club that had been prepared and provided by Peggy A. No comments were made regarding the report. The provided February 2017 financial report for the club was approved.

# III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)

- A. February 8, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting
  - 1. Minutes of the February 8, 2017 club meeting were not read due to Bob N. not having a copy of them with him at the meeting.

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues (No change since last month)
  - Update names on club CDs
    - a) Nebraska Land Bank Club Account
  - Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution
- B. D&N Event Center
  - Reminder to track time and number of uses at the D&N Event Center
    - Will want to gather this information by the April 2017 Board meeting.
    - b) Want to use this information to see what value the club is getting out the use of the D&N.
- C. Centennial Soccer Fields Goal / Net Replacement Update
  - AYSO has decided not to buy any new goals this year. Will repair the ones that they have.
- D. AYSO
  - AYSO practice times start March 4<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>. First games are on Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup>. The first Tuesday night games are on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Games will run through the last Saturday in April
  - Have been respectfully asked by K. Patch to see if United teams can make way for the AYSO teams practicing between March 4<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

- 3. Scott Evans reported that AYSO still needs coaches for the following age groups. Opportunity to get some more experience@
  - a) Boys U8 One coach
  - a) Girls U8 One coach
  - b) Boys U10 One coach
  - c) U14 Coed One coach
- E. Player Age Group / Team Setup (No change since last month)
  - Coach / Player Feedback?
  - Notification of players playing up two years that they will need to drop back down?
  - 3. Calendar Year Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form
    - a) Getting the form reviewed by legal
    - b) Getting the form out to player parents to sign
- F. Coaching Training
  - "D" License Training
    - a) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
      - (1) How is everyone doing on Maren's follow up homework assignment? Has anyone started it?
      - (2) Update on the purchase / use of graphics software to fill out the session planners.
        - (a) Session Planner Computer Software Full Club License would be \$135/year.A direct link button can be put on our coaches resource page and coaches could log in.

One license would cover the entire club

- (i) Per Maren, Academy Soccer Coach is the name of the program she recommends.
  - (a) Can the club procure this software and put on the website or have it available for all the coaches to use?
- (ii) How many software licenses to procure?
- (3) Availability of Training Time with U13 Players for Follow Up Session Planner Coursework homework
- (4) Timing and Location for Follow Up Second Session with Maren

Per February 22, 2017 e-mail from Maren: Dates that might work for me in June/July are: June 24/25 July 1/2 July 8/9

The earlier we get it on the calendar, the better.

Also, we could consider combining it with an

NSCAA course that focuses on 7v7/9v9 age groups

... or the 11v11 course ... these are shorter

courses than the E license and a lot more "new /
inexperienced coach friendly".

- 1. Club Constitution revision status (No change since last month)
- What other issues do we need to address?

# H. Club Bylaws

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- What other issues do we need to address?
  - a) Board members
  - b) North Platte Tournament
  - c) Concussion reporting / protocol
  - d) Player safety
- I. Tournament Play Up Form (No change since last month)
  - Bob Nitsch noted that he has not made any progress on this issue yet.
     Will generate a form to note a parents request to have a player play up two years at tournaments.
- J. Coach Issues

2.

- Jennifer Schmid / Davian Wallace assistance with NP United Wolves
  - a) Has the background check for Davian been completed?
    - (1) The background check for Davian has been completed. He has been approved. However, he still has not signed up on the United site with the club. This needs to be done.
- K. Club Communication with Player Parents (No change since last month)
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    - Goal of Mailing:
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    - b) Summary report on club officers
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    - e) Summary of items being considered to improve North Platte soccer facilities
    - Survey on what parents want their player to get out of playing with the club
- L. Fundraiser Opportunity
  - AYSO concessions
    - Reminder that per K. Patch, there will likely be some open Saturday's to man the concession stands at Centennial during AYSO.

- b) Will open it up to other organizations to staff if they want to use for a small fundraiser.
- M. Soccer.com site uniform selection
  - 1. Girls playing with the club need to utilize Striker Girls Kit Girls Select kit is in the process of being removed. Waiting on IT update.
  - Sock size (Cannot get youth sizes). Scott Evans noted that Nike will be adding and XS size to the size listing. Nike XS socks will be available for delivery in April, and will be added to size choices on our club store as soon as IT update.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

- Club Register Update
  - New Affinity Software Issues
    - a) Jennifer has transferred all players from League One to Affinity
    - b) Have issues with transferring pictures
      - Coaches or player parents need to upload player photos to Affinity site.
      - (2) Will need to create a login account
      - (3) Follow Jennifer directions on how to load up pictures
    - c) Transferring players from team to team to support tournament play is a huge issue right now with the Affinity software. In short, Jennifer has been working with Molly from the state to figure this out to no avail yet. Please keep this in mind if your team needs to play an early tournament.
  - 2. Team Registration Issues
    - Need to set up a girls '09 Team for Matt Wehr
  - Player Registration
    - Verify the club registration link is still open
      - (1) Jennifer Schmid verified that it is
- Ball Shagging Schedule for NP High School Games
  - Scott Letourneau provided list for boys and girls team for ball shagging schedule.
  - Bob N. will contact Sarah and Danny to verify the protocol that the players and their supervisors need to follow to get into the games and when to show up for the games.
- C. Girls '09 Team Coach
  - 1. Matt W. would like to move to assistant vs. head coach position
  - 2. If there is an interested parent in coaching the '09 girls, have them contact one of the United Board members
- D. New Items for next meeting?
  - Club t-shirts for players
- E. Next Meeting
  - Moved the next scheduled monthly club meeting to April 3, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.
- VI. CLOSING COMMENTS
- VII. MEETING ADJOURNED

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER CLUB MEETING MINUTES APRIL 3, 2017

Please Note: Next Board Meeting needs to be moved to May 9, 2017 at 7PM

### I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.)

- A. Roll Call: Bob Nitsch, Larry Miles, April Baade, Ashley Snyder, Jake Snyder, Jim Einspar, Brian Torrez, Karen Hatch, Bobbie Johnson, Scott Evans
- B. Introduction of Visitors
- C. Purpose of meeting
- D. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

#### II. FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Kyle Gifford / Peggy A. March 2017 Club Financial Report Approved as submitted/ Attachment at end of minutes

# III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)

A. February 8 and March 7, 2017 Monthly Club Meetings Approved as Submitted

#### IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues (No change since last month)
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#### B. D&N Event Center

- Reminder to track time and number of uses at the D&N Event Center
  - Will want to gather this information by the April 2017 Board meeting.
  - Want to use this information to see what value the club is getting out the use of the D&N.
- C. Centennial Soccer Fields Goal / Net Replacement Update
  - From March 7, 2017 club meeting, AYSO has decided not to buy any new goals this year.
- D. AYSO
- a) Any field practice related issues between United and AYSO coaches or teams?

There are many makeup games on Thursdays. You may want to schedule practices for another evening

- E. Player Age Group / Team Setup (No change since last month)
  - Coach / Player Feedback?
  - Notification of players playing up two years that they will need to drop back down?
  - Calendar Year Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form
    - a) Getting the form reviewed by legal

- b) Getting the form out to player parents to sign
- F. Coaching Training (No change since last month)
  - "D" License Training-We plan to schedule in July
    - a) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
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            - (a) Can the club procure this software and put on the website or have it available for all the coaches to use?
            - (b) Full club License would be \$135 year. A direct link button can be put on our coaches resources page and the coaches would be able to log in to Academy.
          - (ii) How many software licenses to procure?
            - (a) One (1) license would cover the club.

Motion to purchase Academy Software made and approved.

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- G. Club Constitution-Copy of Complete Constitution attached.
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  - 2. Bob N. getting a Legal review and opinion of document (James Bocott)
  - Please review before the next club meeting. Encourage to share with player parents.
  - 4. What other issues do we need to address in Club Constitution?
- H. Club Bylaws-Copy of Complete Bylaws attached

- Club Bylaws revision status (See draft of Bob N. draft of revised Club Constitution)
  - Need to review the prior Club Philosophy, Procedure, and Policy document to see if any issues needed to brought into the Club Bylaws
- 2. Bob N. getting a Legal review and opinion of document (James Bocott)
- Please review before the next club meeting. Encourage to share with player parents.
- What other issues do we need to address in Club Bylaws
- Play Up Risk Acknowledgement and Tournament Play Up Form
  - Bob N. has gotten a Legal review and opinion of Tournament Play Up Form document (James Bocott)
    - Legal opinion was that it was a good step to take to help protect the club
    - Need to get electronic file copy from James Bocott of his suggestions
- J. Coach Issues
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# N. Club Register Update

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  - d) Placing players on teams with more players than what is allowed on a team is also another huge issue right now. Again Jennifer has been working with Molly from the state to figure this out to no avail yet. Please keep this in mind if your team needs to play an early tournament.
- Team Registration Issues
  - a) Need to set up a team for '09 Boys and Girls Teams
- Player Registration
  - Verify the club registration link is still open
    - (1) Jennifer Schmid verified that it is
- O. Ball Shagging Schedule for NP High School Games
  - Scott Letourneau provided list for boys and girls team for ball shagging schedule.
  - Bob N. will contact Sarah and Danny to verify the protocol that the players and their supervisors need to follow to get into the games and when to show up for the games.
- P. Girls '09 Team Coach
  - Matt W. would like to move to assistant vs. head coach position
  - 2. If there is an interested parent in coaching the '09 girls, have them contact one of the United Board members

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. New Items for next meeting?
  - Club t-shirts for players
  - 2. Coaches' shirts-protocol will be discussed next meeting regarding this purchase

- B. Players for teams
- C. Team tournament selection
- D. Next Meeting
  - Next scheduled monthly club meeting needs to move to May 9, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.
- E. NP United Force Team: Karen Hatch has resigned as Team Manager Leah Purdy is new NP United Force Team Manager
- F. Elkhorn Tournament has changed their tournament format and the age range that their tournament will include. It was suggested we look into Broomfield Colorado for that tournament.

# VI. CLOSING COMMENTS

### VII. MEETING ADJOURNED

8:45 Meeting Adjourned Minutes Submitted by Karen Hatch

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER CLUB MEETING MINUTES May 9, 2017

# CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.)

- A. Roll Call:
  - 1. Club Officers Present:

a)	Bob Nitsch – President	Yes
b)	Bobbie Johnson - Co-Vice President	Yes
c)	Kristina Smith - Co-Vice President	Yes
d)	Karen Hatch-Secretary	Yes
e)	Kyle Gifford-Treasurer	No
f)	Brian Bielicki-Past President/Advisor	No

2. Board Members Present:

a)	Scott Evans - At Large Board Member	Yes
b)	Brad Borgess - At Large Board Member	Yes
c)	Scott Letourneau - Coaching Director	Yes
d)	Jennifer Schmid – Club Registrar	No

B. Is a Quorum of Board members present?

Yes (7/10)

- 1. Attendance: Bob Nitsch, Mike Coufal, Scott Evans, Ashlee Strickland, Tony Solvi, Zane Grandel, Sarah Grandel, Brian Torrez, Brad Borges, Danny Whitney, Matt Kroen, Larry Miles, Erika Miles, Natalie Moats, Kristina Smith, Bill Phye, Stephanie Phye, Karen Hatch, Kristina Smith, Bobbie Johnson, Scott LeTourneau (21 in Attendance)
- C. Purpose of meeting Monthly Club Meeting (May)
- D. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

#### II. FINANCIAL REPORT

- Kyle Gifford / Peggy A.
  - April 2017 Club Financial Report-Approved as Presented-Attached at the end of minutes
- III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)
  - A. April 3, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting-Approved as presented

#### IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues (No change since last month)
  - Update names on club CDs
    - a) First National Bank Club Account

Karen Hatch will contact Peggy Anderjaska and move forward on this.

- Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution Kristina has current information, and is moving forward on this.
- B. D&N Event Center
  - Need the number of times that club coaches used the D&N Event Center this past winter

Coaches, please, contact Karen Hatch with this information.

- b) Want to use this information to see what value the club is getting out the use of the D&N.
- C. AYSO
- a) Where there any practice field related issues between United and AYSO coaches or teams? There were 3 incidents, with coaches, and Bob did make note of this.
- D. Coaching Training (No change since last month)
  - "D" License Training-We plan to schedule in July
    - a) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material

- (1) How is everyone doing on Maren's follow up homework assignment? Has anyone started it?
- (2) Update on the purchase / use of graphics software to fill out the session planners.
  - (i) Per Maren, Academy Soccer Coach is the name of the program she recommends.
    - (a) Can the club procure this software and put on the website or have it available for all the coaches to use?
    - (b) Full club License would be \$135 year. A direct link button can be put on our coaches resources page and the coaches would be able to log in to Academy.
  - (ii) How many software licenses to procure?
    - (a) One (1) license would cover the club.

Motion to purchase Academy Software made and approved. Scott Evans did some research on this. Motion approved, to purchase 1 individual membership, and 1 coach wil utilize it. Club awaiting feedback on usefulness of the Academy Software.

- (3) Availability of Training Time with U13 Players for Follow Up Session Planner Coursework homework
- (4) Timing and Location for Follow Up Second Session with Maren
  Per February 22, 2017 e-mail from Maren:
  Dates that might work for me in June/July are:
  June 24/25
  July 1/2
  July 8/9

The earlier we get it on the calendar, the better. Also, we could consider combining it with an NSCAA course that focuses on 7v7/9v9 age groups ... or the 11v11 course ... these are shorter courses than the E license and a lot more "new / inexperienced coach friendly".

#### E. Club Constitution

- Review proposed changes to Club Constitution
- Bob N. has obtained a legal review and opinion of document (James Bocott)
- Discussion on any other issues to address in Club Constitution?
- 4. Vote to accept or reject proposed Club Constitution
  - a) Constitution reviewed and accepted
  - b) Bob making 3-4 revisions, and then Constitution will be posted on Club website.
- 5. Where to post
  - a) Club website
  - b) State soccer office
- F. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement and Tournament Play Up Form
  - 1. Bob N. has gotten a Legal review and opinion of Tournament Play Up and Play Up Risk Acknowledgement documents (James Bocott)
    - Legal opinion was that the documents were good steps for the club to take to help protect the club
    - b) Review markup of documents from James Bocott
  - Discussion on any other issues to address in either document?
  - 3. Approved proposed documents-copy of proposed documents at the end of minutes
  - Post on website

# G. Club Bylaws

- 1. Club Bylaws revision status (See draft of Bob N. draft of revised Club Constitution)
  - a) Bob N. has gotten a Legal review and opinion of proposed club bylaws. Legal opinion was that the document addressed many important issues to the club and what steps to take to help protect it
  - b) Need to review the prior Club Philosophy, Procedure, and Policy document to see if any issues needed to brought into the Club Bylaws
- What other issues do we need to address in Club Bylaws Discussion of bylaws was postponed until a later date.

### H. Coach Issues

- Davian Wallace assistance with NP United Wolves
  - a) The background check has been approved for Davian Wallace.
     He is registered with the Wolves Coaches on the Affinity website.
- I. Club Communication with Player Parents (No change since last month)
  - Considering putting out a hard copy mailing to all club player parents
    - a) Developing a mail list (Jennifer S. / Bob N.)
  - Goal of Mailing:
    - a) Improve the transparency issue of what's going on in the club
    - b) Promote club activities, growth, success
  - Content of Mailing
    - a) Update on player age group issue
      - (1) Items considered by club in addressing this issue
      - (2) Items player parents need to consider if their child is "playing up"
      - (3) Moving forward (Change in club bylaws)
    - b) Summary report on club officers
    - c) Summary report on club financials
    - d) Summary report on team formation / team coaches
    - e) Summary of items being considered to improve North Platte soccer facilities
    - f) Survey on what parents want their player to get out of playing with the club
- Club Register Update
  - New Affinity Software Issues
    - a) Jennifer has transferred all players from League One to Affinity
    - b) Are coaches getting their player pictures loaded up to their teams on Affinity?
      - (1) Coaches or player parents need to upload player photos to Affinity site.
      - (2) Will need to create a login account
      - (3) Follow Jennifer directions on how to load up pictures
    - c) Transferring players from team to team to support tournament play is an issue right now with the Affinity software.
    - d) Placing players on teams with more players than what is allowed on a team is also another huge issue right now. Again Jennifer has been working with Molly from the state to figure this out to no avail yet. Please keep this in mind if your team needs to play an early tournament.
  - 2. Team Registration Issues
    - a) Need to set up a team for '09 Boys and Girls Teams
  - Player Registration
    - a) Verify the club registration link is still open
      - (1) Jennifer Schmid verified that it is
- K. Ball Shagging Schedule for NP High School Games

1. Thanks to all of the United Club teams to helped make this happen.

#### L. Girls '09 Team Coach

- 1. Ashlee Strickland has submitted an application to be a '09 girls head coach-accepted
- Matt W. would like to move to assistant vs. head coach position
- 3. Mike Coufal has submitted an application to be a '09 girls head coach-accepted

#### M. NP United Force Team:

- Karen Hatch has resigned as Team Manager
- 2. Leah Purdy is new NP United Force Team Manager
- N. Elkhorn Tournament has changed their tournament format and the age range that their tournament will include.
  - Suggestion was made at the April 2017 club meeting to look into a tournament to be held in Broomfield, Colorado for another alternative to play an age pure tournament. Note: Broomfield is a very competitive tournament. Coaches know your teams.

### O. Club T-shirts for Players

- Coaches need to get a list of player t-shirt sizes
- 2. Turn in to Karen Hatch by May 17, 2017
- 3. LeTourneau screen printing is making the shirts

# P. Coaches' shirts-protocol

a) Propose to allow each head and assistant club coach to order one shirt from the club apparel page-accepted

Coaches, go to soccer.com, and pick out the shirt and size of your choice. Contact Scott Evans with this information and he will place the coaches order.

If you have already ordered your shirt, please present Scott Evans or Karen Hatch with your receipt and we will go through the reimbursement process.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Players for teams

- Appears that AYSO was a fertile ground for new players
- Need to keep a professional attitude about the club and other club coaches when talking to potential players and player parents.
- Be honest about the club and its limitations. Also be honest about coaching philosophy, potential playing time, cost, and fundraising.

### Registration Fee for '09 Players

- Propose to lower club fee to \$15 for new '09 players.
  - a) Already late in the season
  - b) Want to try to capture AYSO kids now before they get into other activities. Only have a few tournaments that play separate U8 brackets, Stenger and Norfolk
  - Propose that existing '09 players, if they have not played already, be given a discount on next year's club fee to make things fair-approved

# Coaching Demeanor on Field

- Coaches are in the public eye
- Coaching kids not professional athletes
- Be Firm but Fair
- 4. Need to watch language used around players (no profanity)
- 5. Refer to proposed new club bylaws on Responsibility of Coaches

- D. New Items for next meeting?
- E. Next Meeting
  - 1. Next scheduled monthly club meeting on June 6, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.
- VI. CLOSING COMMENTS
- VII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT 9:10 PM Minutes Submitted by Karen Hatch

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER CLUB MEETING MINUTES June 6, 2017

### I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.)

- A. Roll Call:
  - 1. Club Officers Present:

a)	Bob Nitsch – President	Yes
b)	Bobbie Johnson - Co-Vice President	Yes
c)	Kristina Smith – Co-Vice President	No
d)	Scott Letourneau - Coaching Director	Yes
e)	Karen Hatch - Secretary	Yes
f)	Kyle Gifford – Treasurer	No

#### 2. Board Members Present:

a)	Scott Evans – At Large Board Member	Yes
b)	Brad Borgess – At Large Board Member	Yes
c)	Jennifer Schmid – Club Registrar	No
d)	Brian Bielicki-Immediate Past President	No

B. Is a Quorum of Board members present?

Yes

C. Introduction of Visitors

Attendance: Mike Coufal, Brian Torrez, Scott Evans, Karen Hatch, Bob Nitsch, Brad Borges, ScottLeTourneau, Bill Phye, Natalie Moats, Bobbie Johnson, April Baade, Sarah Kaminski, Eric Carter (13 In Attendance)

- D. Purpose of meeting Monthly Club Meeting (June)
- E. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

#### II. FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Kyle Gifford / Peggy A.
  - 1. May 2017 Club Financial Report

# III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)

A. May 9, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting

# IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues
  - 1. Update names on club CDs
    - a) Change signature card / ownership of CD at First National Bank
      - (1) First national Bank CD#: 109763
        - (a) Need to change ownership / signature card on CD at First National Bank to reflect current United Club President and Treasurer.
          - (i) President: Bob Nitsch
          - (ii) Treasurer: Kyle Gifford
      - (2) This CD has gone a very long time without having names updated to reflect current NP United Officers. We are working to update this situation.

- (3) Motion to Change Names on Signature Card
  - (a) Motion made by: Eric Carter
  - (b) Motion Seconded by: April Baade
  - (c) 6 Offers and Board Members for Motion
  - (d) 0 Officers and Board members against motion
- 2. Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution
- B. D&N Event Center
  - Need the number of times that club coaches used the D&N Event Center this past winter
    - Every Coach Has turned this into Karen Hatch
      Boys: Strikers N/A, Tunder N/A, Surge N/A Predators 3, Shield 6,
      Wolves 2, Revolution 8, Edge 8, Fusion8
      Girls: Storm 9, Hornets 9, Force 0, Elite 9, Wild Things 3, Wild Things
      08 6, 09 Girls N/A
- C. Coaching Training (No change since last month)
  - 1. "D" License Training-We plan to schedule in July
    - a) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
      - (1) Per June 2, 2017 9:12 e-mail from Maren: Bob.

Okay, I think we can make it work for the 19th and 20th if we don't start until about 5:30PM on the 19th ... we will do some practice coaching with the 2nd part coaches and do some field stuff for the 1st part coaches ...so we will need players and field from 6-9PM and let's plan to have coaches there at 5:30PM to go over stuff before players get there. Then, I would need 15 minutes with each 2nd part coach for individual feedback meetings... could do those that evening after practice coaching or on the morning of July 20.

(a) I could do classroom work with the 1st part D coaches during the day (9AM-3PM) of the 20th followed by field work in the evening (5-9PM) for both 1st and 2nd part coaches ... the 2nd part coaches will be doing their final testing that evening.

I don't think we could also get an E license in in those two days ... we will be pushing it with getting first and second part of D license stuff done and just won't have time to do any more , that.

April Baade, Bob Nitsch, Karen Hatch - 2nd

Kristina, Bobbie J., Bill Phye – 1<sup>st</sup> Part

(2) How is everyone doing on Maren's follow up homework assignment? Has anyone started it?

- (3) Update on the purchase / use of graphics software to fill out the session planners.
  - (a) Session Planner Computer Software
    - (i) Per Maren, Academy Soccer Coach is the name of the program she recommends.
      - (a) Can the club procure this software and put on the website or have it available for all the coaches to use?
      - (b) Full club License would be \$135 year. A direct link button can be put on our coaches resources page and the coaches would be able to log in to Academy.
    - (ii) How many software licenses to procure?
      - (a) One (1) license would cover the club.
      - (b) Motion to purchase Academy Software made and approved.
- (4) Availability of Training Time with U13 Players for Follow Up Session Planner Coursework homework
- (5) Do we want to do an "E++" license course this year?
- (6) Do we want to consider a training class such as a NSCAA course that focuses on 7v7/9v9 age groups ... or the 11v11 course ... these are shorter courses than the E license and a lot more "new / inexperienced coach friendly".
- D. Club Constitution
  - a) Copy of signed May 9, 2017 Club Constitution has been posted to the club website
  - b) Copy has been sent to Casey Mann on May 26, 2017.
- E. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement and Tournament Play Up Form
  - a) May 9, 2017 Board approved versions of the Tournament Play Up and Play Up Risk Acknowledgement forms have been posted to the club website.
  - b) Please get these forms signed if you have players playing up two or more years in tournaments or if your team is pulled up into an older age group and you have players already playing up one year.
- F. Club Bylaws
  - Club Bylaws revision status (See draft of Bob N. draft of revised Club Constitution)
    - Bob N. has gotten a Legal review and opinion of proposed club bylaws. Legal opinion was that the document addressed many

- important issues to the club and what steps to take to help protect it
- b) Need to review the prior Club Philosophy, Procedure, and Policy document to see if any issues needed to brought into the Club Bylaws
- 2. What other issues do we need to address in Club Bylaws

#### G. Coach Issues

- No coaching issues or concerns noted for this month.
- H. Club Communication with Player Parents (No change since last month)
  - 1. Considering putting out a hard copy mailing to all club player parents
    - a) Developing a mail list (Jennifer S. / Bob N.)
  - 2. Goal of Mailing:
    - a) Improve the transparency issue of what's going on in the club
    - b) Promote club activities, growth, success
  - 3. Content of Mailing
    - a) Update on player age group issue
      - (1) Items considered by club in addressing this issue
      - (2) Items player parents need to consider if their child is "playing up"
      - (3) Moving forward (Change in club bylaws)
    - b) Summary report on club officers
    - c) Summary report on club financials
    - d) Summary report on team formation / team coaches
    - e) Summary of items being considered to improve North Platte soccer facilities
    - f) Survey on what parents want their player to get out of playing with the club
- I. Club Register Update
  - No Club software or registration issues noted for this month's meeting.
  - 2. Team Registration Issues
    - a) Teams have been set up for '09 Boys (Fusion) and Girls Teams
  - Player Registration
    - a) Verify the club registration link is still open
      - (1) Jennifer Schmid verified that it is
    - b) Integration of the Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form into the club registration process
- J. Club Age Pure Tournament
  - 1. Elkhorn Tournament has changed their tournament format and the age range that their tournament will include.
    - a) Suggestion was made at the April 2017 club meeting to look into a tournament to be held in Broomfield, Colorado for another alternative to play an age pure tournament.
    - b) Other Options:

- (1) August 12-13 in Council Bluffs/Omaha smaller event 50-60 teams www.midwestchampionscup.com with Evolution SC
- (2) August 26-27 in Sioux Falls SD hoping to get to about 100+ teams www.dascfallkickoff.com with DASC
- (3) Labor Day at Iowa Rush smaller event 60 teams or so www.rushlabordaycup.com with Iowa Rush
- K. Club T-shirts for Players
  - Coaches Have turned in numbers and sizes
  - 2. A shirt has been designed
  - 3. Numbers and Design have been delivered to LeTourneau Printing
- L. Coaches' shirts-protocol
  - a) Thanks to all of the coaches for getting their shirt orders in to Scott Evans. Thank you Scott E. for getting the shirts purchased and distributed!

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Conduct at Tournaments
  - 1. Coaches need to remember to keep our cool at tournaments.
  - 2. Friendly reminder to player parents to do as well, especially with the referees and other team players (Yes I know it is very hard at times to do so but remember each of you are representing our club and are an example to all of our players.) Coaches help each other out and remind each other why we are volunteering to coach!
  - 3. Maintain Coaching Demeanor on Field
    - a) Coaches are in the public eye
    - b) Coaching kids not professional athletes
    - c) Be Firm but Fair
    - d) Need to watch language used around players (no profanity)
    - e) Refer to proposed new club bylaws on Responsibility of Coaches
- B. Registration Fee for '09 Players
  - 1. Lowered club fee to \$15 for new '09 players.
  - 2. Jennifer Schmid feedback on how this worked?
  - 3. Do we want to do for new 2010 age group players signing up for U8 age group this coming year?
- C. "F" License Reimbursement
  - 1. Need copy of completed "F" license.
  - 2. Turn in to Bob Nitsch or Karen Hatch
  - 3. Club will issue reimbursement through Kyle Gifford / Peggy A.
- D. New Items for next meeting?
  - 1. Club to help by Futsol quick goals for the D&N Event Center
  - 2. Donation of old club uniforms
  - 3. Team purchase of team benches
  - 4. Waiver or reduction of coaches player registration fees

5.

# E.

Next Meeting

1. Next scheduled monthly club meeting on July 11, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.

#### VI. **CLOSING COMMENTS**

#### VII. **MEETING ADJOURNMENT 9:00 PM**

# North Platte United Soccer Coaches' Meeting Agenda June 26, 2017

#### I. Call to Order (Bob Nitsch) 7:00 PM

A. Roll Call:

1. Club Officers Present

a)	Bob Nitsch-President	Yes
b)	Bobbie Johnson-Co-Vice President	Yes
c)	Kristina Smith-Co-Vice-President	Yes
d)	Scott LeTourneau-Coaching Director	Yes
e)	Karen Hatch-Secretary	Yes

f) Kyle Gifford-Treasurer No

**Board Members Present** 

a)Scott Evans-At Large Board Member Yes

b) Brad Borgess-At Large Board Member No
c) Jennifer Schmid-Club Registrar No
d) Brian Bielicki-Past President No

Quorum 6/10 Yes

- 2. Club Coaches and Parents: Stephanie Phye, Bill Phye, Danny Whitney, Tyler Sexson, April Baade, Sarah Kaminski, Ryan Hilderbrand, Ashley Snyder, Jake Snyder, Crista Murrish, Benji Hoatson, Brian Torrez
- B. Purpose of Meeting-Coaches and Board Members to Discuss Team Options for 2017 Elkhorn Tournament
- C. Meeting Protocol/Discussion

#### II. Old Business

- A. Prior Club Minutes/Discussion on Elkhorn Tournament
  - 1. December 12, 2016-Decision made on how to address older club teams (2007 age group and older) and to play a club recommended age pure tournament
  - 2. January 3, 2017-Recommendation and club decision made to play age pure tournament at Elkhorn a) Start of 2017-2018 season
    - b) July is an off month for most teams. Would allow time to practice
  - 3. February 8, 2017-Finalized Elkhorn as club recommended age pure tournament
  - 4. April 2017 Club Meeting
    - a) Recognized that Elkhorn Tournament has changed their 2017 tournament format and the age range that their tournament will include.
    - b) Suggestion was made at the April 2017 club meeting to look into a tournament to be held in Broomfield Colorado for another alternative to play an age pure tournament
    - c) Other options
      - (1) August 12-13 in Council Bluffs/Omaha smaller vent with 50-60 teams <a href="https://www.midwestchampionship.com">www.midwestchampionship.com</a> with Evolution SC
      - (2) August 26-27 in Sioux Falls South Dakota hoping to get about 100+ teams www.dascfallkickoff.com with DASC
      - (3) Labor Day at Iowa Rush smaller event 60 teams or so <a href="https://www.rushlabordaycup.com">www.rushlabordaycup.com</a> with Iowa Rush

#### III New Business

- A. Discussion and vote on Team Options for Elkhorn 2017 Tournament
  - 1. Girls Teams-Modified Age Pure so no we maximize the players from NP United participating in Elkhorn 03/04 Team coached by Scott Evans and Larry Miles
    - 05 Team coached by Scott LeTourneau and Tyler Sexson
    - 06 Team coached by April Baade and Sarah Kaminski

07/08 Team coached by Bob Nitsch and Bobbie Johnson Board Members voted unanimously to support this arrangement of teams

### 2. Boys Teams

Predators U16 coached by Kristina Smith and Maggie Johnson Shield U15 coached by Sarah Kaminski, Eric Carter, Ryan Hildebrand

These teams' rosters left alone with mixed age groups to maximize the NP United players participating in this tournament.

Board Members voted unanimously to support this arrangement of teams

Wolves, Wolves 2, Revolution, and Edge- further feedback is needed regarding players who are able to attend the Elkhorn tournament before a decision can be made to best serve these age groups. The decision regarding these age groups has been tabled until further discussion at the next board meeting on July 11, 2017.

### B. Teams Registered for Elkhorm

- Boys Teams Registered Predators U16 Shield U15
- Girls Teams Registered No Girls Teams have Registered
- C. Formation of North Platte United 05/06 Academy Team
  Coach Scott LeTourneau would like to form a 05/06 Academy Team to compete in fall of 2017

Purpose is to provide consistent high-level training and competition for 05/06 aged girls in North Platte. To develop a mostly age specific team that is capable of competing with and beating the best teams in the Midwest. This will develop the 05/06 girls into a team that has the skill to bring NPHS a state soccer title and get our girls exposed to college coaches.

#### IV Meeting Adjourned 8:34 PM

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER CLUB MEETING Minutes July 11, 2017

# I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.) 7:00 PM

- A. Roll Call:
  - 1. Club Officers Present:

a)	Bob Nitsch – President	Yes	
b)	Bobbie Johnson – Co-Vice President	Yes	
c)	Kristina Smith – Co-Vice President		No
d)	Scott Letourneau – Coaching Director		No
e)	Karen Hatch – Secretary	Yes	
f)	Kyle Gifford – Treasurer		No

2. Board Members Present:

a)	Scott Evans – At Large Board Member	Yes	
b)	Brad Borgess – At Large Board Member	Yes	
c)	Jennifer Schmid – Club Registrar		No
d)	Immediate Past President		No

B. Is a Quorum of Board members present?

No-Only 5 Present

- C. Introduction of Visitors-Karen Hatch, Bobbie Johnson, Sarah Kaminski, Ryan Hildebrand, Tonya Roberts-Connick, Shane Connick, Garett Luenenborg, Keith Kempke, Jason Murrish, Tad Haneborg, Brian Torrez, Brad Borges, Scott Evans, Benji Hoatson, Stephan Budke, Larry Miles, Bob Nitsch (17 Present)
- D. Purpose of meeting Monthly Club Meeting (July)
- E. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

### II. FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Kyle Gifford / Peggy A.
  - June 2017 Club Financial Report
     Expenses this Month- Club Coaches Shirts, and Club Player Shirts
     Financial Report Attached at End of Minutes

# III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)

A. June 6, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting

#### IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues
  - 1. Update names on club CDs
    - a) Change signature card / ownership of CD at First National Bank
      - (1) First national Bank CD#: 109763
        - (a) Have changed ownership / signature card on CD at First National Bank to reflect current United Club President and Treasurer.
          - (i) President: Bob Nitsch(ii) Treasurer: Kyle Gifford
  - 2. Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution
- B. Coaching Training
  - 1. "D" License Training
    - a) Scheduled for the evening of July 19<sup>th</sup> and the day / evening of July 20<sup>th</sup>

- b) Class Room Training Location: Hampton Inn on July 20<sup>th</sup>
  - (1) Hampton Inn Room will cost \$150 for day. Does anyone have an alternative location (preferably air conditioned) that we could use that is close to the fields?
  - (2) Will need a projector for Maren to hook her computer into.
- c) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
  - (1) April Baade, Bob Nitsch, Karen Hatch "D" License 2<sup>nd</sup> Part
  - (2) Kristina, Bobbie J., Sam Johnson, Bill Phye ?? "D" License 1<sup>st</sup> Part
  - (3) How is everyone doing on Maren's follow up homework assignment? Has anyone started it?
  - (4) Update on the purchase / use of graphics software to fill out the session planners.
    - (a) Session Planner Computer Software
      - (a) Bob Nitsch has purchased a one year subscription for the session Template and Academy membership
  - (5) Availability of Training Time with U13 Players for Follow Up Session Planner Coursework homework
    - (a) Scott Evans Hornets July 13<sup>th</sup> (Bob Nitsch)
  - (6) Do we want to do an "E" license course this year?

    We will need to schedule an E License at another time later.

    Maren did not feel there was time to do both
  - (7) Do we want to consider a training class such as a NSCAA course that focuses on 7v7/9v9 age groups ... or the 11v11 course ... these are shorter courses than the E license and a lot more "new / inexperienced coach friendly".
    - We Will follow up with Maren on this.
- C. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement and Tournament Play Up Form
  - a) Need to get this form integrated into the signup for the new year
    - (1) Scott E.
    - (2) Jennifer S.

Hoping to have this form be added to registration as a link.

Parents will fill it out and bring to their coach. Coaches will bring to the board so we can save them digitally

- D. Club Constitution
  - 1. Discussion regarding amendments to Constitution
    - a) Discussed updates on the voting procedure for Board and officer elections
    - b) Discussed the potential to adding more board members (possibly team representatives)

Discussion on these topics was tabled until next meeting

- E. Club Bylaws
  - 1. Club Bylaws revision status (See proposed revised Club Bylaws)
    - Bob N. has updated bylaws to incorporate received comments from June 6, 2017 meeting.

- 2. Unable to approve Bylaws at the July 11, 2017 between since there was not a quorum of Board members to vote
- F. Coach Issues
  - 1. No coaching issues or concerns noted for this month.
- G. Club Communication with Player Parents (No change since last month)
  - 1. Considering putting out a hard copy mailing to all club player parents
    - a) Developing a mail list (Jennifer S. / Bob N.)
  - 2. Goal of Mailing:
    - a) Improve the transparency issue of what's going on in the club
    - b) Promote club activities, growth, success
  - 3. Content of Mailing
    - a) Update on player age group issue
      - (1) Items considered by club in addressing this issue
      - (2) Items player parents need to consider if their child is "playing up"
      - (3) Moving forward (Change in club bylaws)
    - b) Summary report on club officers
    - c) Summary report on club financials
    - d) Summary report on team formation / team coaches
    - e) Summary of items being considered to improve North Platte soccer facilities
    - f) Survey on what parents want their player to get out of playing with the club
- H. Club Register Update
  - Jennifer Schmid has notified Bob N. that she would like to resign her Register position following the end of registration this year. (Hopefully she will hold her position until after the Centris Cup)
  - b) Jennifer is willing to help train her replacement
  - c) Please contact club members to see if there is someone who will take on or share this position with another member
- I. Player Registration for 2017-2018 Season
  - 1. Verify when we want the club registration link to be opened
  - 2. Jennifer Schmid comments on process
    - a) Working on transferring coaches over to 2017-2018 season
    - b) Do not have to create separate fall / spring rosters
    - c) Integration of the Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form into the club registration process
  - Need to get players signed up before July 31, 2017 so Elkhorn rosters can be finalized.
     Registration will be closed August 1
  - 4. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form
    - a) Need to come up with process to review the signed forms.
      - (1) Will need to have parents print out Play Up Risk Acknowledgment Form and turn into coaches before players can play.
      - (2) Coaches will need to collect forms and turn in to a Club Officer so they can be gathered up at the next monthly club meetin.
    - b) Storage location of signed forms
      - (1) (Scott Evans to scan them into a PDF and place them in a secure folder).
  - 5. Reminder: Coaches need to redo their Kidsafe form / concussion training for the coming year

- J. Club Age Pure Tournament Elkhorn
  - 1. Will need to adjust teams for 2017 Elkhorn Tournament
  - 2. Decision was reverified at June 26, 2017 coaches meeting that the NP United Club will take as many age pure teams to the Elkhorn Tournament as possible.
    - a) Exception to the Shield / Predators boys teams
  - 3. Team / Proposed Coaching Assignments for Elkhorn Tournament only
    - a) Boys
      - (1) U16 Predators (Kristina Smith)
      - (2) U15 Shield (Sarah K., Eric Carter, Ryan Hildebrand)
      - (3) U14 No team
      - (4) U13 (2005s / 2006s) (Bill Phye, Davian Wallace)
      - (5) U12 (2006s) (Bryan Torrez)
      - (6) U11 (2007s) (Danny Whitney)
    - b) Girls
      - (1) U15 (2003s / 2004s) (Scott Evans / April B.)
      - (2) U14 No team
      - (3) U13 (2005s) (Scott LeTourneau / Tyler Sexson)
      - (4) U12 (2006s) (Ben Hoatson / Sarah K., April B., Bob N.)
      - (5) U11 (2007s / 2008s) (Bobbie J. / Bob Nitsch, Maggie Johnson)

#### K. Conduct at Tournaments

- 1. Coaches need to remember to keep our cool at tournaments.
- 2. Friendly reminder to player parents to do as well, especially with referees and the other team's players (Yes I know it is very hard at times to do so but remember each of you are representing our club and are an example to all of our players.) Coaches help each other out and remind each other why we are volunteering to coach!
- 3. Maintain Coaching Demeanor on Field
  - a) Coaches are in the public eye
  - b) Coaching kids not professional athletes
  - c) Be Firm but Fair
  - d) Need to watch language used around players (no profanity)
  - e) Refer to new club bylaws on Responsibility of Coaches, Player Parents, and Players

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2017 / 2018 Registration Fee for Players Not Planning to Play in 2018
  - 1. Need to get enough players to fill out rosters for 2017 Elkhorn Tournament
  - 2. Propose lowering club fee for 2017-2018 season to \$15 '03 / '04 girls (Scott Evans) and '06 boys (Brian Torrez) players who may not play in 2018.
    - a) Proposed fee covers state insurance cost for players
    - b) If players end up deciding to play in 2018 will need to pay the remaining \$85 for yearly registration
  - 3. Jennifer Schmid feedback on how this this can be done.
    - a) Provide registration code to Player / parents with players who may not play in 2018.
    - b) Move these players to the "District Pool" after the Elkhorn Tournament. (Will not be assigned to a team).

- 4. Motion to approve the reduction of 2017 2018 season club fees to \$15 for the '03 / '04 girls (Scott Evans) and '06 boys (Brian Torrez) players who may not play in 2018?
  - a) Motion Made by: Bobbie Johnson
  - b) Motion seconded by: Sarah Kaminski

Voted to Approve: Bob Nitsch, Karen Hatch, Scott Evans, Brad Borges, Bobbie Johnson, Kristina Smith (via Telephone vote to expedite the registration process.)

- Do we want to reduce fees for new 2010 age group players signing up for the U8 age group for the 2017 2018 season?
   No decision was made on this topic No quorum of Board members present.
- 6. Do we want to waive or reduce player registration fees for coaches with players in the club? What about club officers / Board members?
  - This issue was discussed amongst the meeting attendees. General feedback was that there was a need for more quantitative information to assess how much financial impact this would make to the club.
  - Based on the feedback of needing more quantitative information the discussion on this topic was tabled until the next meeting. - No quorum of Board members present.
- B. Review of Club Financial Support Scholarship Applications
  - 1. Topic was not discussed at the meeting. Will be brought up at the next meeting.
- C. Donation of old club uniforms
  - 1. To help younger teams is there any interest to start a donation process for outgrown uniforms / socks?
  - 2. Where would they be stored?
  - 3. Mismatch issues?
- D. Meeting Notes With Troy Brown Assistant League Director, Nebraska State Soccer from 7/10/17
  - 1. General Comments / Purpose of Visit
  - 2. Western NE League / Central NE League
  - 3. Referee Training
  - 4. Concussion protocol
  - 5. Nebraska State Soccer Meets November 18, there will be training sessions available on this day for Registers on how to use the Affinity software.
- E. "F" License Reimbursement
  - 1. Need copy of completed "F" license.
  - 2. Turn in to Bob Nitsch or Karen Hatch
  - 3. Club will issue reimbursement through Kyle Gifford / Peggy A.
- F. New Items for next meeting?
  - 1. Potential Club financial help to buy Futsol quick goals for the D&N Event Center
  - 2. Potential Club purchase of team benches for new teams
- G. Next Meeting
  - 1. Next scheduled monthly club meeting on August 8, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.

#### VI. CLOSING COMMENTS

### VII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT 9:58PM

Minutes Submitted July 12 by Karen Hatch

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 17, 2017

# I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.) (At 7:30 PM)

- A. Roll Call:
  - 1. Club Officers Present:

a)	Bob Nitsch – President	(Yes / No)
b)	Bobbie Johnson – Co-Vice President	(Yes / No)
c)	Kristina Smith – Co-Vice President	(Yes / No) – Voted on
meeti	ing issues via e-mail	
d)	Scott Letourneau – Coaching Director	(Yes / No) - Voted on
mooti	ing issues via o-mail	·

meeting issues via e-mail
e) Karen Hatch – Secretary (Yes / No)
f) Kyle Gifford – Treasurer (Yes / No)

2. Board Members Present:

a)	Scott Evans – At Large Board Member	(Yes / No)
b)	Brad Borgess – At Large Board Member	(Yes / No)
•	Jennifer Schmid – Club Registrar	(Yes / No) – Voted on

meeting issues via phone

Immediate Past President (Yes / **No**)

- B. Is a Quorum of Board members present? (Yes / No)
- C. Introduction of Visitors (none)
- D. Purpose of meeting Specially called Board members only meeting
- E. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

# II. MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Approval of Club Bylaws
  - 1. Club Bylaws revision status (See proposed revised Club Bylaws)
    - a) Bob N. has updated bylaws to incorporate received comments from June 6 and 11, 2017 meetings.
    - b) Board members reviewed the changes that were made to address comments from the June 6 and 11, 2017 Board meeting
    - c) Section IX Page 11-Voting Rights of Members; added wording to allow phone in or e-mailed in votes by Club Board issues requiring votes. Did this so we can address the Board Quorum issue when we take votes. With everyone so busy, this allows North Platte United to get Club issues addressed in a timely manner
    - d) Section XIII-Page 17-The Election of Board Officers in December Team Representatives-Each Team who has a representative at the December Board Meeting will have ONE vote for the election of each officer
    - e) Club Grievance Form-This is located on website. It will not be an Attachment in Bylaws
    - f) Section XXIX-Page 36-Fundraising-stated in

- d) Not exploit the time or physical appearance of a player. This statement seemed vague and generated more questions than solutions. After discussion it was decided to eliminate part (d) and simply refer to b) Fundraising must be morally acceptable as per a reasonable person of the North Platte, NE community.
- 2. Motion to approve Club Bylaws as drafted as of 7/17/17
  - a) Motion Made by: Brad Borgess
  - b) Motion seconded by: Karen Hatch
  - c) Consensus vote for approval made by all Board members in attendance or via e-mail or orally phone.
- B. Proposal to reduce player club registration fees for 2017 2018 season for new 2010 age group players signing up for the U8 age group for the 2017 2018 season
  - 1. Proposal Discussion
    - The reduced fee was discussed for incoming 2010 age group players was discussed. From this discussion an amendment was proposed to reduce the club registration fee for all new players regardless of their age group for the first year. The thought behind this would be to attract more players to the club regardless of age group and to ease the financial hesitation of these player parents to pay both a club registration fee, buy a new uniform, and pay for tournaments in the first year which might cause them hesitation. The financial impact to the club if this was implemented was estimated to be \$850 / every ten players. To implement the policy it was discussed that the club register would create a special code that would be given to the club president. This code would be given to the player parent of all potential new players to utilize when they register. After discussing this amended proposal the Board members approved via consensus that it was a good idea and to make a motion to approve it.
  - 2. Motion made to approve the reduction of Club registration fees for <u>all</u> new incoming players to the club for the 2017 2018 season to \$15.
    - a) Motion Made by: Brad Borgess
    - b) Motion seconded by: Karen Hatch
    - c) Consensus vote for approval made by all Board members in attendance or via e-mail or orally phone.
- C. Club Financial Support Scholarship Applications
  - The Board members discuss the award of Club Financial support scholarships to the club. It was noted that financial support could come typically in the form of a reduced club registration fee vs. cash handouts or similar. It was noted that the use of a reduced club fee would be a cleaner method than a cash handout.
- D. Next Meeting
  - 1. Next scheduled monthly club meeting on August 8, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.

- III. **CLOSING COMMENTS** 
  - A. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 PM
    Minutes Submitted by Karen Hatch 7/18/2017
    MEETING ADJOURNMENT
- IV.

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER CLUB MEETING MINUTES August 8, 2017

# CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.) 7:03 PM

- A. Roll Call:
  - 1. Club Officers Present:

a)	Bob Nitsch – President	Yes
b)	Bobbie Johnson - Co-Vice President	Yes
c)	Kristina Smith - Co-Vice President	Yes
d)	Scott Letourneau - Coaching Director	Yes
e)	Karen Hatch – Secretary	Yes
f)	Kyle Gifford – Treasurer	No

Board Members Present:

a)	Scott Evans – At Large Board Member	Yes
b)	Brad Borgess - At Large Board Member	Yes
c)	Jennifer Schmid – Club Registrar	No
d)	Immediate Past President	No

# B. Is a Quorum of Board members present?

Yes

- Introduction of Visitors: Shad Connick, Brian Torrez, Michael Coufal, Bill Phye, Benji Hoatson,
   Sarah Kaminski, Kayla Schmid, Maggie Johnson (15 in attendance)
- D. Purpose of meeting Monthly Club Meeting (August)
- E. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

# II. FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Kyle Gifford / Peggy A.
  - July 2017 Club Financial Report

Reimbursement for coaching license was main expense Financial Report Approved as Presented

# III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)

- A. July 11, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting
- B. July 17, 2017 Board Meeting

Minutes Approved as Presented

# IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues
  - 1. Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution
    - Bob N. tried applying for this grant and had an issue with the Club not being recognized on the IRS non-profit site.
    - b) Have asked Peggy and Kyle to look into this issue.
- B. Coaching Training
  - "D" License Training
    - Completed training with Maren McCrary the evening of July 19<sup>th</sup> and the day / evening of July 20<sup>th</sup>
      - (1) Karen and Bob did 2nd part of "D" License
      - (2) Bobbie and Kristina did the 1st part of "D" License
      - (3) Invoice

- Bob Nitsch approved invoice for \$500 for the "D" license course the week of July 28, 2017
- b) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
  - (1) Bobbie, Kristina "D" License 2<sup>nd</sup> Part
  - (2) Update on the purchase / use of graphics software to fill out the session planners.
    - (a) Bob & Karen purchased Academy software.
  - (3) Maren noted that she would try to line up a goalie training camp this coming year.
  - (4) Do we want to consider a training class such as a NSCAA course that focuses on 7v7/9v9 age groups ... or the 11v11 course ... these are shorter courses than the E license and a lot more "new / inexperienced coach friendly".
- C. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement and Tournament Play Up Form
  - 1. Every Coach needs to collect this form from every player and scan them into computer to form 1 document and save as a PDF with team name. Then email this document to Scott Evans. He will then store on the club website.
  - 2. Players can not be issued a player pass unless their play up risk acknowledgment form has been turned in
- D. Club Constitution
  - No known Club Constitution issues or concerns noted for this month.
- E. Club Bylaws
  - Club Bylaws were approved at July 17, 2017 Board meeting.
    - a) Bylaws are posted on the website.
- F. Coach Issues
  - No coaching issues or concerns noted for this month.
- G. Club Communication with Player Parents (No change since last month)
  - 1. Considering putting out a hard copy mailing to all club player parents
    - a) Developing a mail list (Jennifer S. / Bob N.)
  - Goal of Mailing:
    - a) Improve the transparency issue of what's going on in the club
    - b) Promote club activities, growth, success
  - Content of Mailing
    - a) Update on player age group issue
      - Items considered by club in addressing this issue
      - (2) Items player parents need to consider if their child is "playing up"
      - (3) Moving forward (Change in club bylaws)
    - b) Summary report on club officers
    - c) Summary report on club financials
    - d) Summary report on team formation / team coaches
    - e) Summary of items being considered to improve North Platte soccer facilities
    - f) Survey on what parents want their player to get out of playing with the club
- H. Club Register Update
  - Jennifer Schmid has notified Bob N. that she would like to resign her Register position following the end of registration this year.

- b) Jennifer is willing to help train her replacement
- c) Any leads on potential replacement(s)
- d) Training will be offered by the state at the state conference meeting on November 18, 2017
- I. Player Registration for 2017-2018 Season
  - Jennifer Schmid working on the process of setting teams up for Elkhorn.
  - Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form
    - Need to come up with process to review the signed forms.
      - (1) Will need to have parents print out Play Up Risk Acknowledgment Form and turn into coaches before players can play.
      - (2) Coaches will need to collect forms and turn them into Club at the August 2017 meeting.
    - b) Storage location of signed forms
      - (Scott Evans to PDF and place in secure folder).
  - Reminder: Coaches need to redo their Kidsafe form / concussion training for the coming year
- J. Review of Club Financial Support Scholarship Applications
  - Three financial scholarship applications received and approved by Board
    - a) The scholarship was in the form of paid registration.
    - b) All board members reviewed and approved the scholarship applications.
- K. 2017 / 2018 Registration Fee for Players Not Planning to Play in 2018
  - At July 19, 2017 Board meeting the following item was voted on and passed:
    - a) Club fees for the existing players who want to play at Elkhorn only in the 2017-2018 season and then plan to not play again in the season (regardless of age) will be reduced to \$15.
      - Need to get enough players to fill out rosters for Elkhorn
- L. 2017 / 2018 Registration Fee for New Players new players to club
  - Club fees for the 2017-2018 season for all new club players (regardless of age) will be reduced to \$15.
    - a) Proposed fee covers state insurance cost for players
    - b) Goal is to help recruit new players to the club.
    - c) If players decide to play on for second year, they will need to pay the normal club fee
- M. Jennifer Schmid Registration Codes.
  - Registration code to Player / parents with players who only want to play at Elkhorn.
    - Move these players to the "District Pool" after the Elkhorn Tournament. (Will not be assigned to a team).
  - 2. Registration code to Player / parents with new players
    - Separate codes for rec, classic, and academy teams
- N. Club Age Pure Tournament Elkhorn
  - Final Team / Proposed Coaching Assignments for Elkhorn Tournament only
    - a) Boys
      - (1) U16 Predators (Kristina Smith) 14 players
      - (2) U15 Shield (Sarah K., Eric C.) 14 players
      - (3) U14 No team
      - (4) U13 (2005s) (Bill Phye, Davian Wallace) 20 players
      - (5) U12 (2006s) (Bryan Torrez / Brad Borgess) 15 players

- (6) U11 (2007s) (Danny Whitney & Edge Assistants) 12 players
- b)

Girls

- (1) U15 (2003s / 2004s) (Scott Evans / April B.) 16 players
- (2) U14 No team
- (3) U13 (2005s) (Scott Letourneau / Tyler Sexson) 14 players
- (4) U12 (2006s) (Ben Hoatson / Sarah K., April B., Bob N.) 16 players
- (5) U11 (2007s / 2008s) (Bobbie J. / Bob N.) 16 players
- c) Wild things 08 and Hot Shots 09 will be attending the Elkhorn Soccer Festival later in August

#### O. Personal Conduct at Tournaments

- 1. Coaches, players and player parents (family) need to keep their emotions in check at tournaments. Special note to treat all referees and the other team's players with respect. (Yes I know it is very hard at times to do so but remember each of you are representing our club and are an example to all of our players.) Coaches help each other out and remind each other why we are volunteering to coach!
- Maintain Coaching Demeanor on Field
  - a) Coaches are in the public eye
  - b) Coaching kids not professional athletes
  - c) Be Firm but Fair
  - d) Need to watch language used around players (no profanity)
  - Refer to new club bylaws on Responsibility of Coaches, Player Parents, and Players
- P. "F" License Reimbursement
  - Need copy of completed "F" license.
  - 2. Turn in to Bob Nitsch or Karen Hatch
  - 3. Club will issue reimbursement through Kyle Gifford / Peggy A.

# V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Do we want to waive or reduce player registration fees for coaches with players in the club? What about club officers / Board members?
  - Possibility of Head Coach fees paid
  - 2. Possibility of team given funds and head coach can determine how to divide it up
  - Board Members do not need registration fees paid

Discussion tabled for next month

- B. Donation of old club uniforms
  - To help younger teams is there any interest to start a donation process for outgrown uniforms / socks?
  - 2. Discussion: Most veteran families with more than 1 player have a stockpile of uniforms. It would be simplest to get coaches in contact with these families when uniforms are needed.
- C. D&N Event Center Issues
  - Tad Haneborg contact and discussion on subject
    - a) Help purchase turf
    - b) Rental of facility covered for six (6) years in cost
    - c) Allow club to host and indoor tournament
    - d) Setup would allow three club teams to practice at once
    - e) Club teams get first choice
    - f) The email from Tad is an attachment at the end of the minutes

Discussion tabled until board and coaches get a tour and a few more details next week from Tad. We are hoping for a tour early next week. If you would like to attend, please contact Bob Nitsch.

- D. Marking of Centennial Field
  - Cost for paint
  - 2. Which fields to mark
  - 3. Who can help do this?
- E. Proactive Coaching Speaker at NPHS next Monday August 14. Players at 6:15, Parents at 7:30, and coaches after this. Everyone is welcome.
- F. New Items for next meeting?
  - 1. Potential Club purchase of team benches for new teams
  - 2. Purchase of goals for Centennial Field
  - 3. Recruitment of coaches for boys / girls 2010 calendar year age group players
- G. Next Meeting
  - Next scheduled monthly club meeting on September 5, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.
- VI. CLOSING COMMENTS
- VII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT 8:03 PM

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER CLUB MEETING SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

# I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.)

- A. Roll Call:
  - Club Officers Present:

a)	Bob Nitsch – President	(Yes / No)
b)	Bobbie Johnson – Co-Vice President	(Yes / No)
c)	Kristina Smith – Co-Vice President	(Yes / <b>No</b> )
d)	Scott Letourneau - Coaching Director	(Yes / <b>No</b> )
e)	Karen Hatch – Secretary	(Yes / <b>No</b> )
f)	Kyle Gifford – Treasurer	(Yes / <b>No</b> )

2. Board Members Present:

a)	Scott Evans – At Large Board Member	(Yes / No)
b)	Brad Borgess – At Large Board Member	(Yes / <b>No</b> )
c)	Jennifer Schmid – Club Registrar	(Yes / <b>No</b> )
d)	Immediate Past President	(Yes / <b>No</b> )

B. Is a Quorum of Board members present?

(Yes / No)

- C. Introduction of Other Meeting Attendees and Visitors
  April Baade Brian Torrez Bill Phye Larry Miles
- D. Purpose of meeting Monthly Club Meeting (September 2017)
- E. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

#### II. FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Kyle Gifford / Peggy A.
  - 1. August 21, 2017 Club Financial Report Bob N. went over the latest financial report for the club at the 9/4/17 meeting. Noted that the revenue from the recent club registrations for the 2017-2018 season was not on the club financial report yet. Also noted that the \$500 cost for the "D" License training for Bobbie J. and Kristina S. had been received and approved to pay.
  - 2. Bob N. also noted at the 9/4/17 meeting that there is still an outstanding invoice with the Nebraska State Soccer regarding the invoicing of players registered to the club. In short, Jennifer S. and Bob N. have had several e-mails back and forth regarding Nebraska State Soccer Invoice #17870 which covers the timeframe of 3/27/17 5/25/17. Bob N. and Jennifer noted that we were being charged for too many player registrations in this time frame. There appears to be an issue with the State's use of the Affinity program to track these registrations. We appear to be getting billed for player transfers between teams when we should not be. After several discussions, Molly said she would send out a revised invoice which we have not seen yet. The Club has also not received an invoice from the time

period of late May through the end of the July yet to cover the rest of the 2016 - 2017 season. NEED TO CLOSELY TRACK THIS ISSUE!

# III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)

A. August 8, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting – Did not read the minutes of the 8/8/17 Club meeting minutes at the 9/5/17 meeting. Did not have a copy of them on hand nor a quorum of Board members to approve. Will have to read at next club meeting on 10/3/17.

#### IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues
  - 1. Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution
    - a) Bob N. tried applying for this grant and had an issue with the Club not being recognized on the IRS non-profit site.
    - b) Have asked Peggy and Kyle to look into this issue. (Update: Peggy and Kyle have ran into the same issue that Bob N. ran into trying to apply for this grant. The IRS website does not list the club has a 501.(c)3. Peggy and Kyle are looking into this issue. This is an issue that needs to be followed up on and tracked!)
- B. Coaching Training
  - "D" License Training
    - a) Have not heard back yet from Maren on status of Bob N. and Karen H.'s training.
    - b) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
      - (1) Bobbie, Kristina "D" License 2<sup>nd</sup> Part
      - (2) Purchase / use of graphics software to fill out the session planners.
        - (a) Bob & Karen have purchased Academy software.
        - (b) NOTE: There was a request to send Bill Phye and April Baade from the 9/5/17 meeting to send them the password for this software.
      - (3) Maren noted that she would try to line up a goalie training camp this coming year.
        - (a) The meeting attendee consensus from the 9/5/17 meeting was to seen Maren M. an e-mail to request setting up a goalie training camp for the coming season.
      - (4) Do we want to consider a training class such as a NSCAA course that focuses on 7v7/9v9 age groups ... or the 11v11 course ... these are shorter courses than the E license and a lot more "new / inexperienced coach friendly".
- C. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement and Tournament Play Up Form
  - 1. Need forms (at least some) for the following coaches:

- a) Danny Whitney: Fusion
- b) Brian Torrez: Revolution
- c) April Baade: Force
- 2. Bob N. noted at the 9/5/17 meeting that there were still forms needed from Danny Whitney, Brian Torrez, and April Baade.
- D. Club Constitution
  - 1. No known Club Constitution issues or concerns noted for this month.
- E. Club Bylaws
  - 1. Club Bylaws were approved at July 17, 2017 Board meeting.
    - a) Bylaws have been posted to the club website.
  - 2. Bob N. noted at the 9/5/17 meeting that there probably needs to be some consideration to update the Club Bylaws to address officer elections if none of the Co-Vice Presidents want to become president and the club treasurer position to get more voting members at the meeting.
- F. Coach Issues
  - 1. No coaching issues or concerns noted for this month.
- G. Club Communication with Player Parents (No change since last month)
  - 1. Considering putting out a hard copy mailing to all club player parents
    - a) Developing a mail list (Jennifer S. / Bob N.)
  - 2. Goal of Mailing:
    - a) Improve the transparency issue of what's going on in the club
    - b) Promote club activities, growth, success
  - 3. Content of Mailing
    - a) ???
- H. Club Register Update
  - a) Still looking for a replacement for Jennifer Schmid as club registrar. Jennifer has notified Bob N. that she would like to resign her Register position following the end of registration this year.
    - (1) At the 9/5/17 meeting, the following names were noted to be potential candidates for this position since they had verbally expressed some interest in the position: Eric Ryan, Stephanie Phye, and Bill Porter
  - b) Jennifer is willing to help train her replacement
  - c) Any leads on potential replacement(s)
  - d) Training will be offered by the state at the state conference meeting on November 18, 2017
- Coaches KidSafe Form Reminder: Coaches need to redo their Kidsafe form / concussion training for the coming year
- J. Club Age Pure Tournament Elkhorn
  - 1. Discussion of Experience

- a) The meeting attendees at the 9/5/17 meeting discussed their various experiences from the Elkhorn tournament. Overall the comments were positive about the experience. However, the difficulty in the journey to get to the tournament was noted to be an issue as well.
- 2. Lesson's Learned
- K. D&N Event Center Issues
  - Tad Haneborg contact and discussion on subject
    - a) Help purchase turf
    - b) Rental of facility covered for six (6) years in cost
    - c) Allow club to host and indoor tournament
    - d) Setup would allow three club teams to practice at once
    - e) Club teams get first choice
  - 2. Tour of D&N Event Center Facility
  - Contract with D&N (None received to date) Bob N. noted at the 9/5/17 meeting that no contract document had been received yet from Tad H. regarding the rental of the D&N Event Center. Currently waiting on Tad H. to provide this document.
- L. Personal Conduct at Tournaments
  - 1. Coaches, players and player parents (family) need to keep their emotions in check at tournaments. Special note to treat all referees and the other team's players with respect. (Yes I know it is very hard at times to do so but remember each of you are representing our club and are an example to all of our players.) Coaches help each other out and remind each other why we are volunteering to coach!
  - 2. Maintain Coaching Demeanor on Field
    - a) Coaches are in the public eye
    - b) Coaching kids not professional athletes
    - c) Be Firm but Fair
    - d) Need to watch language used around players (no profanity)
    - e) Refer to new club bylaws on Responsibility of Coaches, Player Parents, and Players

# V. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Web Site Fee
  - 1. Scott Evans noted at the 9/5/17 meeting that the club's website fee of \$540.00 comes due in September. Bob N. noted the need to get this paid.
- B. Concussion Awareness Training / Notification
  - 1. Club Website Material
  - 2. This issue was discussed at the 9/5/17 meeting. Bob N. noted that the club has now posted several concussion awareness, treatment, and return to play related documents on the club website under the drop down link titled "Concussion". Bob N. noted the importance and need of the club's coaches to review these documents to become familiar with their content and the required actions a coach must take if a player is "suspected" of having sustained a head

injury or concussion after a hard hit and what the required return to play protocol is for a player that has been diagnosed of having sustained a concussion. Bob also noted the need for the coaches to get copies of the player and player parent information documents to all of their respective players and player parents for their educational purpose. These actions are required by Nebraska State Law! Item 3 below provides a brief summary of this state law.

- 3. Nebraska Legislature Enacts Concussion Law
  - a) The Nebraska Concussion Awareness Act went into effect July 2012. The law affects public, private, denominational, or parochial schools (Statute 71-9104), as well as any city, village, buisness, or nonprofit organization (Statute 71-9105) sponsoring a sporting activity having athletes 19 years old or younger, where there is a cost to participants or where such costs are sponsored, i.e. club sports, select teams, Parks & Rec programs, Legion or Babe Ruth Baseball, YMCA, AAU, Pop Warner, Midget FB, etc.
  - b) There are 3 primary components to the Nebraska Concussion Awareness Act:
    - (1) Education (a) schools/organizations must make available concussion educational training to all coaches on how to recognize symptoms of a concussion, and how to seek proper medical treatment. (b) Athletes and parents must be provided concussion information prior to an athlete's participation on an annual basis that includes (i) signs & symptoms of a concussion, (ii) risks posed by sustaining a concussion, and (iii) actions an athlete should take in response to sustaining a concussion including informing their coaches.
    - (2) Removal of Athlete an athlete presenting with signs or symptoms of a concussion thereby being "reasonably suspected" of having sustained a concussion (a) must be removed from participation, and (b) may not return to participation until evaluated by appropriate licensed health care professional, and have,
    - (3) Written & Signed Clearance for Return to Play (RTP) an athlete having been removed from participation for the purpose of presenting with signs or symptoms or "reasonably suspected" of having sustained a concussion must have, before RTP or participation is allowed (a) written and signed clearance from an appropriate licensed health care professional, and (b) written and signed permission from the athlete's parent/guardian.

- (4) The State's Medical Officer has identified several concussion training programs coaches may utilize. The following programs are free, ~20-45 min. online concussion training courses available by either of the NFHS, CDC, ACTive, or ConcussionWise. These concussion training courses are also found listed with links in the Resources section of this website.
- C. Do we want to waive or reduce player registration fees for coaches with players in the club? What about club officers / Board members?
- D. Potential Club purchase of team benches for new teams
  - 1. The meeting attendees at the 9/5/17 meeting discussed this issue at length. Scott E. noted that if the club wanted to do this, one possible source of revenue to use would be the 2017 rebate that the club receives from soccer.com. Currently that amount is sitting at \$329.52. This rebate is provided based on a points system which is calculated by the amount of clothing and related soccer material the club and player parents buys from the Soccer.com website. Due to a lack of a quorum of voting members at the meeting no action was taken on this issue at the 9/5/17 meeting.
- E. Storage of goals being used at Centennial Field
  - 1. Need to store goals on the south end of the field after the week of September 4<sup>th</sup>.
  - 2. Scott Evan's to provide direction on how to store the goals.
  - 3. At the 9/5/17 meeting this issue was discussed. Bill Phye and Scott E. will discuss on how they want the goals stored. (Face to face with a cable wrap around the goals to keep them secured). As of 9/17/17, all of the goals have been move off of the field except one set of U10 goals. This last set is to be moved by the parent of Bobbie Johnson's Wildthings '08 team after they have a friendly parent / player scrimmage on September 24, 2017.
- F. Recruitment of coaches for boys / girls 2010 calendar year age group players
- G. New items for October meeting
  - Address club treasurer issue with meeting attendance and impact on quorum
    - a) This item was briefly discussed at the 9/5/17 meeting. However, due to a lack of a quorum of voting members at the meeting no action was taken on this issue at the 9/5/17 meeting.
  - 2. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form (Process to move to electronic form as part of registration process)
    - a) This issue was discussed at the 9/5/17 meeting. Need to ask Jennifer to talk to Affinity about the required process to get the Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form moved to the Affinity website for club registration.

- 3. Look ahead for general team arrangement / rosters for 2018 year (identify issues of concern)
- 4. Look ahead to club officer / Board member elections

# H. Next Meeting

1. Next scheduled monthly club meeting on October 3, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.

# VI. CLOSING COMMENTS

# VII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER CLUB MEETING OCTOBER 3, 2017

- I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.)
  - A. Roll Call:
    - Club Officers Present:

a)	Bob Nitsch – President	Yes
b)	Bobbie Johnson - Co-Vice President	Yes
· c)	Kristina Smith - Co-Vice President	Yes
d)	Scott Letourneau - Coaching Director	No
e)	Karen Hatch – Secretary	Yes
f)	Kyle Gifford – Treasurer	No

2. Board Members Present:

a)	Scott Evans - At Large Board Member	Yes
b)	Brad Borgess - At Large Board Member	Yes
c)	Jennifer Schmid – Club Registrar	No
d)	Immediate Past President	No

B. Is a Quorum of Board members present?

Yes

- C. Introduction of Other Meeting Attendees and Visitors Benji Hoatson
- D. Purpose of meeting Monthly Club Meeting (October 2017)
- E. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

# II. FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Kyle Gifford / Peggy A.
  - 1. August 21, 2017 Club Financial Report Bob N. went over the latest financial report for the club at the 9/4/17 meeting. Noted that the revenue from the recent club registrations for the 2017-2018 season was not on the club financial report yet. Also noted that the \$500 cost for the "D" License training for Bobbie J. and Kristina S. had been received and approved to pay.
  - 2. Bob N. also noted at the 9/4/17 meeting that there is still an outstanding invoice with the Nebraska State Soccer regarding the invoicing of players registered to the club. In short, Jennifer S. and Bob N. have had several e-mails back and forth regarding Nebraska State Soccer Invoice #17870 which covers the timeframe of 3/27/17 5/25/17. Bob N. and Jennifer noted that we were being charged for too many player registrations in this time frame. There appears to be an issue with the State's use of the Affinity program to track these registrations. We appear to be getting billed for player transfers between teams when we should not be. After several discussions, Molly said she would send out a revised invoice which we have not seen yet. The Club has also not received an invoice from the time period of late May through the end of the July yet to cover the rest of

the 2016 - 2017 season. NEED TO CLOSELY TRACK THIS ISSUE! AS OF 10/3/17 THERE IS AN ISSUE WHERE OUR REGISTRATION FEES WENT WITH AFFINITY. JENNIFER IS CURRENTLY CONTACTING AFFINITY TO SEE WHAT IS GOING ON.

- 3. REVIEW 2017 / 2018 PLAYER REGISTRATION LIST PUT TOGETHER BY BOB
- 4. E-MAILED MOLLY ON 10/3/17 ABOUT THIS ISSUE. SHE HAD SENT REVISED INVOICE TO WRONG PERSONS. STILL DO NOT AGREE WITH THE REVISED INVOICE AMOUNT (OFF BY 9 PLAYERS) BUT DO WE WANT TO PAY AND SIMPLY MOVE ON. MOLLY SAID THAT WE DID NOT HAVE ANY NEW PLAYERS OR TRANSFERS FROM MAY 25, 2017 TO THE END OF THE SEASON. SHE ALSO NOTED THAT SHE IS WORKING ON INVOICES FOR THE NEW SEASON AND SHOULD BE SENDING THOSE OUT THIS COMING WEEK.

Financial Reports approved as submitted.

# III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)

A. August 8, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting – These minutes were not read at the 9/5/17 meeting due to not having a copy of them on hand nor a quorum of Board members to approve. Will have to read at next club meeting on 10/3/17.

August 8 Minutes approved as submitted

B. September 5, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting September 5 Minutes approved as submitted

# IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues
  - 1. Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution
    - Bob N. tried applying for this grant and had an issue with the Club not being recognized on the IRS non-profit site.
    - b) Have asked Peggy and Kyle to look into this issue. (Update: Peggy and Kyle have ran into the same issue that Bob N. ran into trying to apply for this grant. The IRS website does not list the club has a 501.(c)3. Peggy and Kyle are looking into this issue. This is an issue that needs to be followed up on and tracked!) – NO UPDATE ON THIS ISSUE FROM PEGGY OR KYLE AS OF 10/3/17.
- B. Coaching Training
  - 1. "D" License Training
    - Have not heard back yet from Maren on status of Bob N. and Karen H.'s training. NO UPDATE ON THIS ISSUE FROM MAREN AS OF 10/3/17.
    - b) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
      - (1) Bobbie, Kristina "D" License 2<sup>nd</sup> Part

- (2) Purchase / use of graphics software to fill out the session planners.
  - (a) Bob & Karen have purchased Academy software.
  - (b) NOTE: There was a request to send Bill Phye and April Baade from the 9/5/17 meeting to send them the password for this software.
- (3) Maren noted that she would try to line up a goalie training camp this coming year.
  - (a) The meeting attendee consensus from the 9/5/17 meeting was to seen Maren M. an e-mail to request setting up a goalie training camp for the coming season.
- (4) Do we want to consider a training class such as a NSCAA course that focuses on 7v7/9v9 age groups ... or the 11v11 course ... these are shorter courses than the E license and a lot more "new / inexperienced coach friendly".
- C. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement and Tournament Play Up Form
  - Need forms (at least some) for the following coaches:
    - a) Danny Whitney: Fusion
    - b) April Baade: Force
  - 2. Bob N. noted at the 9/5/17 meeting that there were still forms needed from Danny Whitney, and April Baade.
  - 3. As of 10/3/17 still have not received the remaining needed forms.
- D. Club Constitution
  - No known Club Constitution issues or concerns noted for this month.
- E. Club Bylaws
  - 1. Club Bylaws were approved at July 17, 2017 Board meeting.
    - a) Bylaws have been posted to the club website.
  - Bob N. noted at the 9/5/17 meeting that there probably needs to be some consideration to update the Club Bylaws to address officer elections if none of the Co-Vice Presidents want to become president and the club treasurer position to get more voting members at the meeting.
- F. Coach Issues
  - No coaching issues or concerns noted for this month.
- G. Club Communication with Player Parents (No change since last month)
  - Considering putting out a hard copy mailing to all club player parents
     a) Developing a mail list (Jennifer S. / Bob N.)
  - 2. Goal of Mailing:
    - a) Improve the transparency issue of what's going on in the club
    - b) Promote club activities, growth, success

- Content of Mailing
  - a) ???
- H. Club Register Update
  - a) As of 10/3/17 Jennifer Schmid is willing to continue on as club registrar. Eric Ryan, Stephanie Phye, and Bill Porter have also expressed interest in learning this role.
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- Coaches KidSafe Form Reminder:
  - Several <u>head and assistant</u> club coaches need to redo their Kidsafe form / concussion training for the coming year
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- J. D&N Event Center Issues
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- K. Tournaments To Be Played In Yet This Year
  - a) Gretna Halloween 3v3

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Web Site Fee
  - Scott Evans noted at the 9/5/17 meeting that the club's website fee of \$540.00 comes due in September. Bob N. noted the need to get this paid. This invoice was received on 9/19/17. Authorization was provided by Bob Nitsch on 9/20/17 to pay this invoice.
- B. Concussion Awareness Training / Notification
  - Club Website Material
  - 2. This issue was discussed at the 9/5/17 meeting. Bob N. noted that the club has now posted several concussion awareness, treatment, and return to play related documents on the club website under the drop down link titled "Concussion". Bob N. noted the importance and need of the club's coaches to review these documents to become familiar with their content and the required actions a coach

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    - (3) Written & Signed Clearance for Return to Play (RTP) an athlete having been removed from participation for the purpose of presenting with signs or symptoms or "reasonably suspected" of having sustained a concussion must have, before RTP or participation is allowed (a) written and signed clearance from an appropriate licensed health care professional, and (b) written and signed permission from the athlete's parent/guardian.

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- C. Do we want to waive or reduce player registration fees for coaches with players in the club? What about club officers / Board members?

  This discussion was tabled for a later meeting in 2017 so it can be given careful consideration for the 18-19 season.
- D. Potential Club purchase of team benches for new teams
  - 1. The meeting attendees at the 9/5/17 meeting discussed this issue at length. Scott E. noted that if the club wanted to do this, one possible source of revenue to use would be the 2017 rebate that the club receives from soccer.com. Currently that amount is sitting at \$329.52. This rebate is provided based on a points system which is calculated by the amount of clothing and related soccer material the club and player parents buys from the Soccer.com website. Due to a lack of a quorum of voting members at the meeting no action was taken on this issue at the 9/5/17 meeting.
    - This discussion tabled for a later meeting so it can also be given careful consideration for the next season.
  - 2. 10/3/17 Update, a check for \$329.52 was given by Scott Evans to Peggy A. on 10/3/17 from soccer.com.
- E. Storage of goals being used at Centennial Field
  - As of 10/3/17, this work is complete. Thanks to all the volunteers who did this.
- F. Recruitment of coaches for boys / girls 2010 calendar year age group players
  - As of 10/3/17, no requests yet to coach this age group of kids, either boys or girls.
- G. New items for October meeting
  - Address club treasurer issue with meeting attendance and impact on quorum
    - a) This item was briefly discussed at the 9/5/17 meeting. However, due to a lack of a quorum of voting members at the meeting no action was taken on this issue at the 9/5/17 meeting.
  - Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form (Process to move to electronic form as part of registration process)
    - a) This issue was discussed at the 9/5/17 meeting. Need to ask Jennifer to talk to Affinity about the required process to get the Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form moved to the Affinity website for club registration.

- Look ahead for general team arrangement / rosters for 2018 year (identify issues of concern)
- 4. Look ahead to club officer / Board member elections
- 5. Look ahead for a coaches' meeting to discuss tournament schedule

# H. Next Meeting

 Next scheduled monthly club meeting on November 7, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.

# VI. CLOSING COMMENTS

# VII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

8:25 PM

Minutes submitted by Karen Hatch

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER BOARD MEETING MINUTES October 19, 2017

# I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.) (At 7:30 PM)

- Roll Call:
  - Club Officers Present:

a)	Bob Nitsch – President	(Yes / No)
b)	Bobbie Johnson - Co-Vice President	(Yes / No) - Voted on
meet	ing issues via phone call	
c)	Kristina Smith - Co-Vice President	(Yes / No) - Voted on
meet	ting issues via phone call	
d)	Scott Letourneau - Coaching Director	(Yes / No)
e)	Karen Hatch – Secretary	(Yes / No)
f)	Kyle Gifford – Treasurer	(Yes / No)

2. Board Members Present:

a)	Scott Evans – At Large Board Member	(Yes / No)
b)	- Voted on meeting issues via phone call	11 may 1 10 may 1
c)	Brad Borgess - At Large Board Member	(Yes / No)
d)	Jennifer Schmid – Club Registrar	(Yes / No)
e)	Immediate Past President	(Yes / No)

- B. Is a Quorum of Board members present? (Yes / No)
- C. Introduction of Visitors (none)
- Purpose of meeting Specially called Board members only meeting to discuss proposed contract with the D&N Event Center
- E. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

# II. MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

- A. D&N Event Center Contract
  - Review draft contract document provided by Tad Haneborg regarding a 5 year term for use of the D&N Event Center for club team practices during winter / early spring time periods.
  - Term of contract would be six years (2017 through 2023 season).
  - Payment for use of the facility would be completed in yearly installments.
     Club President for the effective year will have to approve payment.
     Propose that the payment for use of the D&N be set up on a set yearly schedule. Bob can talk to Kyle and Peggy about setting this up.
  - 4. D&N Center would be open to year around access for practice. The core time period would be October through the end of March
  - Access to the D&N would be provided via key cards.
    - Bob Nitsch will be provided the cards to pass out to the club coaches

- b) Will need to agree upon a deposit fee for a lost card.
- Practice area will be limited to the turf area. The turf area can handle three teams practicing at once.
- 7. Practice days are proposed to be Sunday and Thursday evening.
  However Tad has noted that club coaches can contact Abbie Wilkenson to schedule other times. Tad is willing to work with the club. However, club coaches need to be aware that they are not to take advantage of this working relationship.
- 8. It is proposed that Bob Nitsch as current Club President sign the contract.
- 9. Vote: Voted Unanimously to accept D&N contract
- 10. Signed the contract and delivered to Deb at Coor's distributing
- 11. Met with Abbie Wilkenson and confirmed Thursday and Sunday morning/afternoon (8AM-4PM) as the practice times available to the club teams.
- 12. Picked up door keys from Abbie. Will hand those passes out at the next club meeting or on as needed basis.
- 13. Need to have club teams review the available practice times and sign up for a time slot. Have 3 netted fields that can be used.
- B. Club Financial Update
  - Review of latest club financial data.
- C. Next Meeting
  - Next scheduled monthly club meeting on November 7, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.
- III. CLOSING COMMENTS
  - A. Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM
- IV. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER CLUB MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 9, 2017

# I. CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.)

- A. Roll Call:
  - Club Officers Present:

a)	Bob Nitsch – President	(Yes / No)
b)	Bobbie Johnson – Co-Vice President	(Yes / No)
c)	Kristina Smith – Co-Vice President	(Yes / No)
d)	Scott Letourneau – Coaching Director	(Yes / <b>No</b> )
e)	Karen Hatch – Secretary	(Yes / <b>No</b> )
f)	Kyle Gifford – Treasurer	(Yes / <b>No</b> )

2. Board Members Present:

a)	Scott Evans – At Large Board Member	(Yes / No)
b)	Brad Borgess – At Large Board Member	(Yes / <b>No</b> )
c)	Jennifer Schmid – Club Registrar	(Yes / <b>No</b> )
d)	Immediate Past President	(Yes / <b>No</b> )

B. Is a Quorum of Board members present?

(Yes / No)

- C. Introduction of Other Meeting Attendees and Visitors
  - 1. Ben Hoatson
- D. Purpose of meeting Monthly Club Meeting (November 2017)
- E. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

#### II. FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Kyle Gifford / Peggy A.
  - 1. Review latest Club Financial Report November 9, 2017
  - 2. Update on Club player registration fees This issue has been resolved. Registration fees have been transferred to the club. AS OF 11/9/17 THE ISSUE WITH REGISTRATION FEES FROM AFFINITY HAS BEEN RESOLVED. ALL RECEIVED 2017 REGISTRATION FEES TO NP UNITED HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE NP UNITED ACCOUNTS (SEE PEGGY A. E-MAIL).
  - 3. AS OF 11/9/17, THERE STILL REMAINS AN OPEN REGISTRATION ISSUE WITH MOLLY AT THE STATION INOLVING INVOICE ?????. PLAN TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE WITH MOLLY AND CASEY MANN AT THE STATE AGM MEETING ON 11/18/17.

# III. READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)

A. October 3, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting – **Not read due to no quorum of Board members present.** 

B. October 19, 2017 Club Board Meeting – **Not read due to no quorum of Board members present.** 

# IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues
  - 1. Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution
    - a) Bob N. tried applying for this grant and had an issue with the Club not being recognized on the IRS non-profit site.
    - b) Have asked Peggy and Kyle to look into this issue. (Update: Peggy and Kyle have ran into the same issue that Bob N. ran into trying to apply for this grant. The IRS website does not list the club has a 501.(c)3. Peggy and Kyle are looking into this issue. This is an issue that needs to be followed up on and tracked!) NO UPDATE ON THIS ISSUE FROM PEGGY OR KYLE AS OF 11/9/17
- B. Practice Times at the D&N Event Center
  - 1. Review Schedule
- C. Coaching Training
  - 1. "D" License Training
    - a) Have heard back yet from Maren on status of Bob N. and Karen H.'s training. Requiring one more training session in the spring.
    - b) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
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      - (2) Maren noted that she would try to line up a goalie training camp this coming year.
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- D. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement and Tournament Play Up Form
  - Need forms (at least some) for the following coaches:
    - a) Danny Whitney: Fusion
    - b) April Baade: Force
  - 2. Bob N. noted at the 9/5/17 meeting that there were still forms needed from Danny Whitney and April Baade.
  - 3. As of 11/9/17 still have not received the remaining needed forms.
- E. Club Constitution
  - 1. Bob N. noted there is a need to update the Club Constitution to address the addition and changing of the club treasurer position.

# F. Club Bylaws

- 1. Proposed Club Bylaw Changes
  - a) Election of Club President Bob N. noted the need to add a provision to the Club Bylaws to address the election of a club president if neither Co-Vice President could / would accept the nomination to be club president for the coming year.

#### G. Coach Issues

- 1. No coaching issues or concerns noted for this month.
- H. Club Communication with Player Parents (No change since last month)
- I. Club Register Update
  - a) As of 10/3/17 Jennifer Schmid is willing to continue on as club registrar. Eric Ryan, Stephanie Phye, and Shad Connick have also expressed interest in learning this role.
  - b) Jennifer is willing to help train another person(s) on how to use the Affinity software.
  - c) Training will be offered by the state at the state conference meeting on November 18, 2017
- J. Coaches KidSafe Form Reminder:
  - 1. Still have club coaches who have not completed this. Team will be deactivated by the state.
  - 2. Bob N. / Jennifer Schmid have sent out several e-mail reminders out on this issues over the past several months.

# K. D&N Event Center Issues

- 1. Have signed a six year contract with the D&N Event Center & Tad H. for use of the D&N for an indoor practice facility.
- 2. Tad Haneborg noted in an e-mail today that the turf at the D&N is currently being installed. May be completed by Thanksgiving.
- 3. Access cards to the D&N. Need to hand out cards and record who has what card. There is a replacement fee (\$25) for lost cards.
- 4. Procurement of soccer goals for D&N Event Center
  - a) Tad H. message on the subject
  - b) Review of potential goals to purchase
  - c) Potential Vote to Purchase Goals / Style / How Many:
    - (1) The group discussed this issue and due to a lack of a quorum of Board members agreed to table this issue until the next club meeting.

#### L. Club Treasurer Position

- 1. Address club treasurer issue with meeting attendance and impact on quorum
  - a) Does the club want to elect a "new" club treasurer that can be present at the club meetings?
  - b) Would propose to keep Kyle Gifford at Gifford and Cox to keep them maintaining the club's account.

- c) Need to update the club Bylaws
- d) This item was briefly discussed at the 11/9/17 meeting. However, due to a lack of a quorum of voting members at the meeting no action was taken on this issue at the 11/9/17 meeting.
- M. Attendance at the State AGM Meeting
  - 1. Training will be provided on November 18<sup>th</sup>
    - a) Bob N. plans to attend this conference.
  - 2. Meetings on November 19th
- N. Concussion Awareness Training / Notification
  - 1. Club Website Material Reminder to get this information to your parents and players. Required by law.
- O. Tournaments To Be Played In Yet This Year
  - The meeting attendees discussed the need to coordinate the scheduling of tournaments for the various club teams in at the January 2018 meeting.

# V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Coach / Club Officer / Board Member Player Registration Fees
  - Do we want to waive or reduce player registration fees for coaches with players in the club? What about club officers / Board members? ON HOLD. This issue was tabled at the October 3, 2017 Club meeting to be taken up as a future agenda item to be discussed in 2018 before the beginning of the 2018 2019 registration season.
- B. Potential Club purchase of team benches for new teams
  - 1. ON HOLD. This issue was tabled at the October 3, 2017 Club meeting to be taken up as a future agenda item to be discussed in 2018 before the beginning of the 2018 2019 registration season. The meeting attendees at the 9/5/17 meeting discussed this issue at length. Scott E. noted that if the club wanted to do this, one possible source of revenue to use would be the 2017 rebate that the club receives from soccer.com. Currently that amount is sitting at \$329.52. This rebate is provided based on a points system which is calculated by the amount of clothing and related soccer material the club and player parents buys from the Soccer.com website. Due to a lack of a quorum of voting members at the meeting no action was taken on this issue at the 9/5/17 meeting.
  - 2. 10/3/17 Update, a check for \$329.52 for rebate fees from Soccer.com was given by Scott Evans to Peggy A. on 10/3/17.
- C. Look ahead for general team arrangement / rosters for 2018 year (identify issues of concern)
- D. Recruitment of coaches for boys / girls 2010 calendar year age group players
  - 1. As of 11/9/17, no requests yet to coach this age group of kids, either boys or girls.

- E. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form (Process to move to electronic form as part of registration process)
  - a) This issue was discussed at the 9/5/17 meeting. Need to ask Jennifer to talk to Affinity about the required process to get the Play Up Risk Acknowledgement Form moved to the Affinity website for club registration.
- F. Club Officer / Board Member Election Potential Nominees
  - 1. Encourage parents to run
  - 2. Potential Nominees
    - a) Club President
      - (1) Bobbie Johnson
      - (2) Kristina Smith
    - b) Immediate Past Club President
      - (1) Bob Nitsch
    - c) Co-Vice Presidents
      - (1) ????
      - (2) ????
    - d) Club Secretary
      - (1) Karen Hatch
    - e) Club Treasurer
      - (1) Tonya Hoatson / Christ Murrish
    - f) Club Coaching Director
      - (1) Scott Letourneau / Bobbie Johnson
    - g) Club Registrar
      - (1) Jennifer Schmid Registrar
    - h) At Large Board Member No. 1
      - (1) Ben Hoatson
    - i) At Large Board Member No. 2
      - (1) ????
- G. New items for December meeting
- H. Next Meeting
  - 1. Next scheduled monthly club meeting on December 5, 2017 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.

# VI. CLOSING COMMENTS

# VII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

# NORTH PLATTE UNITED SOCCER **CLUB MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 5, 2017**

#### Ι. **CALL TO ORDER (Bob N.)**

- Α. Roll Call:
  - Club Officers Present: A.1.

A.1.a)	Bob Nitsch – President	Yes
A.1.b)	Bobbie Johnson - Co-Vice President	Yes
A.1.c)	Kristina Smith - Co-Vice President	Yes
A.1.d)	Scott Letourneau - Coaching Director	Yes
A.1.e)	Karen Hatch – Secretary	Yes
A.1.f)	Kyle Gifford – Treasurer	No

A.2. **Board Members Present:** 

A.2.a)	Scott Evans – At Large Board Member	Yes
A.2.b)	Brad Borgess – At Large Board Member	Yes
A.2.c)	Jennifer Schmid – Club Registrar	No
A.2.d)	Immediate Past President	No

B. Is a Quorum of Board members present? Yes

- C. Introduction of Other Meeting Attendees and Visitors Karen Hatch, Scott LeTourneau, Brad Borges, Beth Sheets, Scott Evans, Danny Whitney, Tonya Hoatson, Benji Hoatson, Larry Miles, Kim Baker, Bill Phye, Matt Kroon, April Baade, Crista Murrish, Kristina Smith, Bobbie Johnson, Tanya Roberts-Connick, Bob Nitsch, Brian Torrez, Jian Hou (20 in attendance)
- D. Purpose of meeting – Monthly Club Meeting (November 2017)
- E. Meeting Protocol / Discussion

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT** II.

- Kyle Gifford / Peggy A. A.
  - Review latest Club Financial Report December 4, 2017 A.1. Approved as Presented
  - A.2. Update on Club player registration fees - This issue has been resolved. Registration fees have been transferred to the club. AS OF 11/9/17 THE ISSUE WITH REGISTRATION FEES FROM AFFINITY HAS BEEN RESOLVED. ALL RECEIVED 2017 REGISTRATION FEES TO NP UNITED HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE NP UNITED ACCOUNTS (SEE PEGGY A. E-MAIL).
  - A.3. Update on State of NE Invoicing: THE OPEN ISSUE WITH MOLLY AT THE STATE INOLVING INVOICE 17870 FROM 3/27 TO 5/25 WAS DISCUSSED BETWEEN BOB NITSCH, CASEY MANN AND MOLLY AT THE STATE AGM MEETING ON 11/18/17. BOB N. NOTED AND EXPRESSED CONCERNS AT THE MEETING ABOUT THE LACK OF DOCUMENTATION THAT IS PROVIDED WITH THE INVOICING FROM THE STATE REGARING PLAYER REGISTRATION WHICH INHIBITS THE CLUBS ABILITY TO VERIFY WHAT THEY ARE BEING BILLED FOR. MOLLY AND CASEY NOTED THEIR APPRECIATE OF THE CONCERNS THAT WERE EXPRESSED BY BOB AT THE MEETING.

#### III. **READING OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Karen H.)**

- October 3, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting A. Approved as Presented B.
- October 19, 2017 Club Board Meeting

Approved as Presented

C. November 9, 2017 Monthly Club Meeting
Approved as Presented

#### IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Club Financial Issues
  - A.1. Kristina Smith VAP Grant Application from Walmart Distribution
    - A.1.a) Bob N. tried applying for this grant and had an issue with the Club not being recognized on the IRS non-profit site.
    - A.1.b) Have asked Peggy and Kyle to look into this issue. (Update: Peggy and Kyle have ran into the same issue that Bob N. ran into trying to apply for this grant. The IRS website does not list the club has a 501.(c)3. Peggy and Kyle are looking into this issue. This is an issue that needs to be followed up on and tracked!) NO UPDATE ON THIS ISSUE FROM PEGGY OR KYLE AS OF 12/5/17
- B. Practice Times at the D&N Event Center
  - B.1. Review Schedule
    Website left hand Column D&N Schedule
- C. Coaching Training
  - C.1. "D" License Training
    - C.1.a) Have heard back yet from Maren on status of Bob N. and Karen H.'s training. Requiring one more training session in the spring.
    - C.1.b) Maren McCrary Follow Up "D" License Course Work Material
      - (C.1.b.1) Bobbie, Kristina "D" License 2<sup>nd</sup> Part
      - (C.1.b.2) Do we want to consider a training class such as a NSCAA course that focuses on 7v7/9v9 age groups ... or the 11v11 course ... these are shorter courses than the E license and a lot more "new / inexperienced coach friendly".
- D. Play Up Risk Acknowledgement and Tournament Play Up Form
  - D.1. Need forms (at least some) for the following coaches:
    - D.1.a) Danny Whitney: Fusion
    - D.1.b) April Baade: Force
  - D.2. Bob N. noted at the 9/5/17 meeting that there were still forms needed from Danny Whitney and April Baade.
  - D.3. As of 12/5/17 still have not received the remaining needed forms.
- E. Club Treasurer Position
  - E.1. Address club treasurer issue with meeting attendance and impact on quorum
    - E.1.a) Does the club want to elect a "new" club treasurer that can be present at the club meetings?
    - E.1.b) Propose to retain Gifford and Cox's accounting services to keep them maintaining the club's financial accounts (Kyle Gifford and Peggy Anderjaska).
    - E.1.c) Vote: Retain Gifford and Cox's accounting services to maintain club's financial accounts. (Result: Unanimously Approved)
    - E.1.d) Need to update the club Bylaws
    - E.1.e) This proposed changes to the Club Bylaws to reflect the responsibilities of the Treasurer position was discussed at the 12/5/17 meeting. Based on the proposed changes, a vote to change the bylaws to update the wording in them on this club officer position was taken.

Vote: Update the Club Bylaws to reflect the Club Treasurer position being the primary contact between Kyle Gifford and Peggy Anderjaska at Gifford and Cox and to report on club financial dealings at the Club's monthly meetings. (Result: Unanimously Approved)

- F. Club Constitution
  - F.1. Review and vote on proposed changes to the Club Constitution
    - F.1.a) Address Club Co-Vice President Position
    - F.1.b) Team representatives participating in election of club officers at the December club meeting.
    - F.1.c) Vote: Accept proposed changes to Club Bylaws involving the Club Co-Vice President position? (Result: Unanimously Approved)
    - F.1.d) Vote: Accept proposed changes to Club Bylaws involving team representatives participating in the election of club officers.
      - (Result: Unanimously Approved)
- G. Club Bylaws
  - G.1. Proposed Club Bylaw Changes
    - G.1.a) Club Treasurer
    - G.1.b) Club Coaching Director
    - G.1.c) Fiscal responsibility of the club
      - (G.1.c.1) Gifford and Cox
      - (G.1.c.2) Club Treasurer position
      - (G.1.c.3) Responsibility to review invoices
  - G.2. Vote:
    - G.2.a) Accept proposed changes to Club Bylaws involving the Club Treasurer position? **Voted** unanimously to accept
    - G.2.b) Accept proposed changes to Club Bylaws involving the Club Coaching Director position? **Voted unanimously to accept**
    - G.2.c) Accept proposed changes to Club Bylaws involving the fiscal responsibility of the club? **Voted unanimously to accept**
- H. Coach Issues
  - H.1. No coaching issues or concerns noted for this month.
- I. Club Communication with Player Parents (No change since last month)
- J. Club Register Update
  - J.1.a) As of 10/3/17 Jennifer Schmid is willing to continue on as club registrar. Eric Ryan, Stephanie Phye, and Shad Connick have also expressed interest in learning this role.
  - J.1.b) Jennifer is willing to help train another person(s) on how to use the Affinity software.
- K. Coaches KidSafe Form Reminder:
  - K.1. Still have club coaches who have not completed this form. Team will be deactivated by the state.
  - K.2. Bob N. / Jennifer Schmid have sent out several e-mail reminders out on this issue over the past several months.
- L. D&N Event Center Issues
  - L.1. Turf is installed at the D&N. Appears to be a repurposed turf, not completely new. (Per Tad H., the installed turf is from the University of Central Florida men's soccer team practice field. It had only one year of use on it).
  - L.2. Access cards to the D&N. Need to hand out cards and record who has what card. There is a replacement fee (\$25) for lost cards.
  - L.3. Procurement of soccer goals for D&N Event Center
    - L.3.a) Tad H. message on the subject
    - L.3.b) Review of potential goals to purchase
    - L.3.c) Potential Vote to Purchase Goals / Style / How Many:

Scott Evans, Scott LeTourneau, and Bobbie Johnson research and purchase 6 new goals with soccer.com credits and team funds

#### Voted unanimously to accept

- M. Attendance at the State AGM Meeting
  - M.1. Training will be provided on November 18th
    - M.1.a) Bob N. reported on what he learned from attending this conference.
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    No vote. Discussion tabled for next year's board
- R. Potential Club purchase of team benches for new teams
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  - R.2. 10/3/17 Update, a check for \$329.52 for rebate fees from Soccer.com was given by Scott Evans to Peggy A. on 10/3/17.

No vote. Discussion tabled for next year's board.

# V. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Determine Team Representative at December 2017 Club Meeting
  - A.1. Boys Teams

A.1.a) Fusion: Danny Whitney

A.1.b) Edge: Danny Whitney

A.1.c) Revolution: Brian Torrez

A.1.d) Wolves: Bill Phye

A.1.e) Shield Sarah Kaminski

A.1.f) Predators: Kristina Smith

- A.2. Girls
  - A.2.a) Hot Shots:

A.2.b) Wildthings '08: Crista Murrish

A.2.c) Wildthings I: Ben Hoatson

A.2.d) Elite:Scott LeTourneau

A.2.e) Force: April Baade

A.2.f) Hornets: Scott Evans

# B. Club Officer / Board Member Election Potential Nominees

- B.1. Club President
  - B.1.a) Nominees

(B.1.a.1) Bobbie Johnson

(B.1.a.2) Kristina Smith

#### B.1.b) Vote: Kristina Smith-New President

- B.2. Immediate Past Club President
  - B.2.a) Nominees

(B.2.a.1) Bob Nitsch

B.2.b) Vote: Bob Nitsch-Immediate Past President

- B.3. Co-Vice Presidents
  - B.3.a) Nominees

(B.3.a.1) Bobbie Johnson

(B.3.a.2) Larry Miles

B.3.b) Vote: Both Larry and Bobbie are co-Vice Presidents

- B.4. Club Secretary
  - B.4.a) Nominees

(B.4.a.1) Karen Hatch

B.4.b) Vote: Karen Hatch-Secretary

- B.5. Club Treasurer
  - B.5.a) Nominees:

(B.5.a.1) Tonya Hoatson

(B.5.a.2) Christa Murrish

B.5.b) Vote: Tonya Hoatson-Club Treasurer

- B.6. Club Coaching Director
  - B.6.a) Nominees:

(B.6.a.1)

Scott Letourneau

(B.6.a.2)

Bobbie Johnson

B.6.b) Vote: Scott LeTourneau

- B.7. Club Registrar
  - B.7.a) Nominees:

(B.7.a.1)

Jennifer Schmid

B.7.b) Vote: Jennifer Schmid

- B.8. At Large Board Member No. 1
  - B.8.a) Nominees: Christa Murrish
  - B.8.b) Vote: Christa Murrish
- B.9. At Large Board Member No. 2
  - B.9.a) Nominee:

(B.9.a.1) Shad Connick

B.9.b) Vote: Shad Connick

- C. Transition To New Club Officer Items
  - C.1. Report listing of new officers to the State (Action Item: Bob Nitsch)

- C.2. Report listing of new officers to Kyle Gifford / Peggy Anderjaska (Action Item: Bob Nitsch)
- C.3. Transfer names on club CD's at First National and Nebraska Land Bank (Action Item: Bob Nitsch, New Club President, New Club Treasurer, New Secretary)
- C.4. Transfer working files for meeting agendas / minutes to new club president (Action Item: Bob Nitsch)
- D. There are a number of volunteers North Platte United would like to take the opportunity to purchase a holiday gift to show our appreciation. Board Members voted unanimously to authorize the purchase of these thank you gifts.
- E. New items for January 2018 meeting
  - E.1. Review of Planned Tournaments for Club Teams
- F. Next Meeting
  - F.1. Next scheduled monthly club meeting on January 9, 2018 at 7:00 PM at Hampton.

# VI. CLOSING COMMENTS

# VII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

8:33 PM

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Karen Hatch