

Thursday, October 6, 2011 MUTS meeting:

Motion made to begin meeting at 8:15p.m. by Club president – R. Regina. Call was made to accept prior meeting minutes – all present were in favor.

Members present: R. Regina, G. Mason, J. Whitney, T. Doran, T. Murphy, S. Somers, J. Navroski, T. Littlefield, B. Kokot.

Club V.P. G. Mason provided an update with the club's recent Red Bulls outing with 160 people attending the event; a \$2 profit was made per ticket (\$320 for the club). A question arose as to whether the outing should be promoted as a club fundraiser at some point in the future; if so, then it was agreed that there be a minimum purchase per team.

Fiscal update provided by J. Whitney: as of 8/31/11: Cash balance: \$8895.30/Disbursements: \$2752.00/ Deposits/\$3,001.57
Ending balance: \$9144.87

Disbursements: Opaque web hosting: \$72/Amex - Red Bulls\$2680 – total \$2,752

Deposits: Red Bulls \$3,000 (150 per tkt)/Transfer of old team acct. \$1.57 – total \$3,001.57

An Amex grant of \$500 was awarded to the club and would be utilized through mutual consensus by the club members. Be advised that there will be a \$2 check scanning fee effective as of Sept., 2011. Concussion headbands: to reiterate again that the vote was to have the club pay for the headband, not to mandate the actual wearing of one; for the record, there was a vote by members present to have the club reimburse each coach: 6 for/2 against/4 impartial.

MOSA update by rep B. Kokot: no significant information at this time.

Communications: T. Doran discussed the renewal of the website domain name; was purchased for another 5 yr. span from an Australian company. He has been updating some links on the website, conferred with Opaian inc.

Communications Update: (attachment forwarded by T. Doran)

- Updated MUTS Master Lists file
- Completed Red Bulls communications (Blast e-mail campaign, Examiner Ads (free), Public Access Channel Announcement, Website Announcement)
- Posted 9/11 Moment of Silence announcement on website
- Sent Website announcement Blast e-mail
- Sent Monthly Meeting announcement Blast e-mail

Web Administration update (below notes forwarded by T. Doran):

- Updated website content (in order of Website layout):
 - o Home Page – Updated except for Calendar (priority 3).
 - o Club Info – Updated. Created generic Mission Statement (should review/edit).
 - o Teams – In need of development (priority 1). Currently, every team has a home page with age group and coaches' e-mail addresses. Developed some pages for Demolition and Lightning. Perhaps a couple teams can beta test for the remainder of the Fall Season then revamp and roll-out to all teams for Spring Season.
 - o Fields & Directions – Updated. Home and Away directions updated. Away directions for every club copied from MOSA website.
 - o Lost & Found – Updated.
 - o Coaches Corner – Needs content development (Priority 2). Added common forms. Will develop this after Team Pages are complete.
 - o Forms – Needs updating. What forms do we want to post?
 - o Recreation – Updated.
 - o Useful Links – Updated.
 - o FAQ – Updated.
- Renewed Domain Name for (5) Additional Years. Whitney completed transaction.

- Solicited quote from Opaque to build out Team Pages functionality – approximately \$1,000 - \$3,000 (more likely on high end)
- Developed Team Pages functionality workaround.
 - o Main Team Page is publicly accessible. Roster, Schedule, Availability, Photos/Videos, Payments pages are Password Protected
 - o Perhaps Demo and Lightning can beta test for remainder of fall season.
 - o Develop set of standardized pages for all teams for spring season.
- Setup every head coach as a user with Editor Rights; ID & Password to be provided accordingly.
 - o Access to back end of website. Can edit any post or page. Should only edit their team page.
 - o All updates/changes tracked by user
 - o Training?

Field maintenance: we may have a new combo lock for the rec shed; need for field 1 to be marked correctly (presently labeled as field 2). The recreation department was looking to seed new fields; discussed necessity & a viable time to have it done.

Ref assignment: T. Littlefield discussed how there was some confusion that resulted with the scheduling of some games; a few teams were affected due to previously scheduled preplays. Issue resolved with continued communication from both our club & ref assignor.

Fundraising: a general discussion ensued in regards to having no MUMS on sale for this year, as well as some future ideas.

Recreation: Positive feedback was provided by Rec board/soccer coordinator Tracy Klehr, in regards to multiple volunteers from our MUTS soccer club in helping out on Saturday mornings with both the special needs soccer, as well as providing trainer assistance with the younger players and novice coaches.

Goalkeeping: positive feedback was provided by coaches/teams that had players attend.

Miscellaneous: red card(s) - reviewed protocol in what happens when a player is carded: fines incurred, game suspensions issued, who would be responsible for payment of fine, etc. Some leagues have a monetary fine issued (i.e. JAGS). It was agreed that it would be the individual coach's decision to determine if the individual player would be responsible for the fine, or the team as a whole. Please note that the board needs to notify if any player/coach receives a red card, either at home/away. Player movement: what to do when a player wants to move from 1 team to another within the club. The board recommends that the player finishes that respective season with their carded team, prior to moving to a new team. Each coach needs to be considerate of how each team will be affected. A situation arose this fall season, involving a player from the 'Lightning', moving up to the 'Sharks'. The by-laws were reviewed to ensure that proper protocol was adhered to and that each coach involved was in agreement with the player transfer. Winter gym time: pending schedule to be out by our next club meeting. Coach's shirts by Umbro – soon to be delivered. NJYouth soccer: discussed claims if there is a player injury and how long the wait time may take for processing.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tom Murphy/MUTS Secretary