

CORNING UNITED SOCCER CLUB

Jan. 19, 2006

TO: CUSC Officers & Board of Directors

FROM: Tom Beiswenger

SUBJECT: Minutes of CUSC Board Meeting Jan. 10, 2006, Corning Inc. HQ

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Attending:

Officers		Guests	
X	Reegan Keeler, President	X	Nikki Dye, U16G coach
	Dan Collins, V. President	X	Marcos Gomes, U12B coach
X	Deb Hill, Treasurer	X	Don Allen, U14G coach
X	Tom Beiswenger, Secretary/Registrar	X	Russ Stratford, U16B team mgr
		X	Chad Freelove, U19B coach
		X	Kevin Aagaard, U16B coach
		X	Tanner Kirk, U12G coach
Board			
X	Nancy Dickinson		Deb Devine
	Doug Butler	X	Beth Vilen
	Glenn Schneider	X	Jesus Martinez

1. Approval of minutes. Passed without modification
2. Treasurer's report, Deb Hill
 - a. \$1,170.37 checking
 - b. \$5,835.64 savings
3. Fundraising report
 - a. Club-wide program probably will be a candy sales, with each player required to sell one box of candy bars at \$1 each. Profit to club is \$0.50 per bar, but candy is purchased by the club for resale
 - 1) Candy bars could be customized with CUSC logo through M&M or a local chocolatier that Chad Freelove has worked with in the past. Chad to contact Deb Devine with details.
 - b. Team fundraisers. Discussion of recent efforts by "U18" team (chicken and biscuit dinner).
 - 1) There is no formal policy, but in the past all fundraising has either been board-directed or approved by the board before fundraising effort began.
 - 2) Concern that parents participating in team fundraising would not be happy with having to also participate in club-wide fundraising, such as candy bar sale.
 - 3) Additional problem with "U18" team event is that there is no U18 team, nor any formal teams, at this point.
 - 4) Segregating money from a team event could present problems, both related to accounting for the funds and in possible compliance issues relative to club's non-profit status.

- (a) Funds from U18 fundraiser will be deposited into the club's general fund to be used to assist players who participated in the event with uniform fees. Chad to provide Deb Hill with names of players.
- 5) Consensus of the board was that the "U18" event will be allowed to proceed since effort was already well underway. In the future, all fundraising done under the auspices of the club or any of its team, must be approved by the board before any activity (such as ticket sales) may begin. Formalization of this into a club policy was referred to sub-committee studying bylaws changes and policies and procedures.
- 4. Registration report. Status report distributed by Tom Beiswenger. Club is having significant problems with U12 and U19 recruiting. Coaches, however, expressed confidence that club will be able to field boys and girls teams in U12 and boys team in U19.
 - a. Board approved registration of the following teams with the Broome County Youth Soccer Association:
 - U12 Boys (Div. 3)
 - U12 Girls (Div. 3)
 - U14 Boys (Div. 3) – *post-meeting note*: Rich Wagner requested that application be amended to request Div. 4. Tom sent email to Bill Campbell notifying him of this change.
 - U14 Girls (Div. 1 or 2)
 - U19 Boys (Div. 2)
 - b. Discussion regarding U19 girls team. Report showed only 2 girls registered. Board was informed Julie Dieg (prospective U19 girls coach) had been suggesting that her Corning Varsity players register with the Soaring Capitols because she did not think that there would be a U19 girls CUSC team (although no direct contact had been made with the coach by the board or coaches).
 - 1) *Post-meeting note*: Looking at players currently expected to be rostered on the U16 girls team, as well as players who have not yet registered, Reagan decided to submit a registration for a U19 girls team (Div. 2). Julie Dieg also has indicated that she is willing to coach and knows of at least 10 girls from her Corning Varsity team who have not registered.
 - c. Registration fees for players who submit registrations by Jan. 15, but do not pay. Motion was made by Beth Vilenos, seconded by Nancy Dickinson to accept these registrations under the early registration fee (\$85) as long as the fee is paid by Feb. 10. Passed unanimously.
- 5. Insurance coverage – what is the term. Clarified by Reagan, via NYSWYSA. Term is from Sept. 1 – Aug. 31.
- 6. Fields & Soccer Festival – Nancy Dickinson
 - a. Strates Field (Denison Park) reserved from April 3 through June 25, 6-8 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Sundays. Permits available for coaches showing proof of registration. Strates Field will be a home field for games.
 - b. Erwin Valley Volunteer Fire Dept. field is available for practice. Club is still working with the Fire Dept. and it is still not known whether CUSC will have access to both fields. Coaches wishing to use the field will be required to meet with the Fire Dept. to review field use policies.

- c. Soccer Festival. Dates available are May 13 or May 20. Event was held June 4 last year. Consensus of the board was to hold event on May 20. Nancy to inform school district and complete required paperwork.
- 7. Policies & procedures
 - a. Bylaws changes emailed to board members by Reegan tabled in favor of having a board sub-committee review the bylaws and suggest amendments. Sub-committee appointed: Dan Collins (chair); Reegan & Tom B. (members).
 - 1) Further discussion of non-essential policies to be postponed until completion of bylaws review.
 - b. Policy concerning use of guest players. Covered in current bylaws. Tom reported that, according to Broome County YSA and NYSWYSA rules, spring team rosters must be set. No more than two changes can be made during the season. There is no provision for use of guest players for regular season games. Guest players may be used only for tournaments.
 - c. Policy related to playing up one level. Guidelines drafted by Nikki Dye & Rich Wagner, distributed by email by Nikki. Unanimously approved. Tom to formulate board action into a formal policy and distribute to board members and coaches. Deadline for play-up petitions: Feb. 3. Policy, as distributed, attached to official meeting minutes.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, Feb. 7, 5:30 p.m., Corning Inc. HQ