

North Platte United Soccer Club
Minutes from the February 7th, 2006 Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Grant Creager at 7:10 P.M.

Here is a list of everyone in attendance for the meeting: Lajeane Sheldon, KC Stark, Marshall Doughty, Steven Martinez, Tammy Morrison, Deb Simpson, Grant Creager, Leland Poppe, Wendy Schramm, Natalie Jahnke, Julie Nielson, Michelle Settles.

Grant stated that the purpose of this meeting was to adopt the presented Constitution and Bylaws. He said that both had been prepared from the standard that was set by the Nebraska State Soccer Association. A 2/3^{rds} majority vote of all in attendance is needed to adopt the submitted Constitution and Bylaws. Grant handed out copies of both to all in attendance.

Grant read the Constitution, and asked for any discussion. No discussion was given. Leland Poppe and Julie Nielson then read the Bylaws. After the bylaws were read a discussion took place about the section on Financial Support to Players.

Marshall Doughty asked how we determined who got a scholarship and how much they would be awarded. Grant said that the scholarships were to be submitted by the players coach and that the board would vote on any applicants. The amounts to be given were based on the availability of funds and on a case by case basis. Michelle Settles then explained that the AYSO board used a scholarship form that was based on the North Platte Public School's reduced and free lunch program. AYSO also required the parent of the child to write a letter explaining why they needed a scholarship. Michelle Settles is to get a copy of the form so the board could look at it. For the rest of the discussion everyone agreed that we needed to change the language in the Bylaws section 411.0 subsection .01. Michelle Settles then drafted the following option to replace the existing language:

“The need for financial support will be presented to the board by the head coach of the team concerned. Parents of the child in need will be required to complete a scholarship application and submit a letter giving the reasons for the scholarship. A decision on financial support will be validated by the Club Coach and presented at the next monthly meeting for approval. Amount of financial support not to exceed \$200 and to be evaluated on a yearly basis approved by the Board of Directors. All Scholarship recipients will be required to volunteer at the North Platte Shootout.”

Marshall Doughty made a motion that was seconded by Deb Simpson, to change the language under section 411.0 Financial Support to Players subsection .01 Inability to pay to the above mentioned language. Motion was voted on and passed.

Grant Creager then handed out ballots to all attendees. The ballot was used to vote either for approval or denial of the submitted Constitution and By Laws. All in attendance voted and both the Constitution and Bylaws were adopted with a 12-0 vote.

Vice President Leland Poppe brought forward the following officer candidates for the upcoming year.

President-Grant Creager
Vice President- Leland Poppe
Secretary-Michelle Settles
Treasurer-Kyle Gifford
Registrar-Natalie Jahnke
Immediate Past President-Mel Mcnea

Wendy Schramm made a motion to approve the candidate list, Deb Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

There was further discussion on some possible fundraiser ideas. It was also noted that we need someone to be in charge of any fundraising campaigns. A search for that position will continue.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Settles Secretary

North Platte United Soccer Club
Minutes from the March 7th, 2006 Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Grant Creager at 7:05 P.M.

Here is a list of everyone in attendance for the meeting: KC Stark, Steven Martinez, Grant Creager, Julie Nielson, Annie O'Connor, Kyle Gifford, Jason Merz, Mel McNea, Kim Johnson, Michelle Settles.

Kyle Gifford the treasurer stated that he had received signature cards for the CD at First National Bank. All accounts for both the tournament and club have been transferred to Nebraskaland National Bank.

Mel gave the coaches report. He said that he was working on summer camps. He said that Chris Kranc would be in North Platte on May 30, 31st and June 1st for camp. Times will be determined at a later date. He had a coaches meeting and handed out balls and talked to them about tournaments. Mel also reminded the board that all coaches must have the Kid Safe training. Mel stated that there are 9 Spring League games scheduled in North Platte. He stated that an 8:30 meeting was scheduled for March 7th with Gordon Hansen and Georgia Osbon to discuss refs for the Spring League Games and the NP Tournament.

Michelle is to get with Tony Miller and give him the United Spring League schedule so that AYSO knows when we will be playing our games. She is to also get with JR Osbon and make sure that Field 7 is marked.

Mel McNea said that Johnny Walker the coach from the University of Nebraska Women's Soccer team had contacted him about playing a scrimmage in North Platte against the University of Colorado. They would like to play on Friday night April 21st. He has a meeting with Tom Millsap the AD at the High School about having the game on the Turf. He said that there may be a problem with the Turf because Lexington is using NP track for their track meet that day. He will have more to report at the next meeting. He stated that the girls would also sign autographs. Mel is going to work with the Chamber of Commerce on arranging for hotel rooms for both teams. United will need to arrange a meal for both teams. Annie O'Connor volunteered to be in charge of the meal. She will try and get as much of the food donated. Julie Nielson made a motion that was seconded by Jason Merz to have the United Soccer Club fund any part of the meal that is not donated. Everyone voted Aye with no Nays. Motion passed.

Grant Creager reported that the club had call nights to recruit teams to attend the North Platte Tournament. He stated that the members had called teams from Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota and Iowa. Teams from Salina Kansas and Greeley Colorado had stated they would be attending North Platte's tournament. The call nights have been successful and we will have another one in a few weeks. One finding in the call nights is

that there is a Platte Valley Soccer Club that is made up of Sidney Nebraska, and Sterling and Fort Morgan Colorado.

Carolyn Brown has volunteered to head up finding volunteers to be field Marshall's during the North Platte Tournament. Four parents from each team are needed to volunteer to help during the tournament. Carolyn will make a list of the teams and games. She will try not to over utilize everyone hopefully we will have enough volunteers so that everyone only has to do one game. Julie will try and get info about the tournament in the newspaper.

The Tournament committee will have a meeting next Tuesday at Davis Design located at 112 N Dewey from 7:00 – 8:30 pm. The primary focus of the meeting will be to call and recruit other teams. Julie will send another email reminding coaches of the meeting.

Steve Martinez said that his daughter's team had received their uniforms and that the White Uniform is different from the ones that were ordered last year. His daughter is wearing her brother's uniform and he wanted to make sure it would be ok since her White Uniform is the only one that is different from the rest. Everyone said that it should not be a problem. It was also mentioned that the uniforms cost more than they did last year. The cost last year was \$90 and it was believed they would be around \$110 this year. Annie O'Connor is to get with Tim at the Sports Shoppe to discuss the prices.

Jason Merz and George Bailey both took the E Class Coach training. They will need to be reimbursed. Grant said that we needed coaches for U8 Boys and Girls teams. We are to try and talk to some AYSO coaches to see if we could find someone that would be good.

On Saturday April 8th the 4 High School soccer teams will be playing on the Field Turf. The tentative times are as follows:

10:30 Girls JV

12:30 Boys JV

2:30 Girls Varsity

4:30 Boys Varsity

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Settles Secretary

North Platte United Soccer Club
Minutes from the April 4, 2006 Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Grant Creager at 7:08 P.M.

Here is a list of everyone in attendance for the meeting: Pam Harvey, Kellie Tagwerker, Jess Phillips, Connie Kadlecek, Steven Martinez, Grant Creager, Julie Nielson, Mel McNea, Kim Johnson, Lisa Bailey, Tami Manzano, Leland Poppe, Lajeane Sheldon, Tammy Morrison, Wendy Schramm, Marshall Doughty, Michelle Settles.

Michelle read the minutes from the last meeting.

Mel gave the coaches report. All the Spring League games are going well and all the coaches are acting appropriately. 15 people attended the referee training that was given on April 20 & 21. Update on the Nebraska – Colorado game is that we can't get the field turf on the 21st due to a track meet. We are trying to get the game switched to the 20th at 6:30. If that doesn't work they will play at Madison on the grass. Mel said that once Tom Milsap signs the contract UNL will take care of everything else. It was mentioned that several parents will go to the High School and talk to Mr. Brochtrup about our concern about Mr. Milsap not cooperating with us. Michelle mentioned that 3 college teams are going to play on field 1, May 29th because the high school would not let them have a field.

Jess Phillips was in attendance about starting a U8 boy's team. Jess would be the assistant coach and David Mata would be the head coach. Mel informed them that they would have to get a E license within a year. Mel will work with both coaches on getting them organized. A motion was made by Kim Johnson and seconded by Julie Nielson to approve David Mata as head coach and Jess Phillips assistant coach of the U8 boy's team.

Chris Kranc will be having camps again this summer. The sessions are limited to 20 kids with 3 sessions lasting 1 1/2 hours each. There will also be a goalkeeper's camp for \$10 extra. Each coach needs to get Mel McNea a list of the kids that will be attending. Grant Creager also talked to a U12 girls team in Lincoln whose coach is an Assistant with UNL. He said that they would like to do some camps here this summer. We will also have a UNO camp this summer.

The website has been updated with new info. Everyone should check it out. If you have any items that needs to go on the website please go thru Wendy Schramm. The current goal for the website is to get a complete a list of coaches, and emails on the website.

Tournament info will start running in the paper. Julie had examples of programs. Wendy will work on information for the flyer along with Michelle McNea.

Grant thanked everyone for coming to the combined meeting. Call night is to follow the regular meeting. The purpose of the call night is to recruit teams for the North Platte tournament. As a board we are trying to get a strategy for future tournaments. Leland is getting a database of teams to call. We have sent out over 200 flyers and we will send a follow up flyer in the next 2 weeks.

The goal for the tournament is to get 4 teams in each age group so that no teams have to play up. Marshall suggested that we really look at the bracketing so that if we have 5 teams in a division it can cause problems.

With no further business Julie Nielson made a motion that was seconded by Leland Poppe to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Settles Secretary