

*Heartland FC
Monthly Meeting
October 14, 2009*

These are the monthly minutes of the Heartland FC October 14, 2009. The club President, David Stolz, called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. Roll call was taken by the President, in absence of the Secretary.

The following board members were present:

1. David Stolz, president
2. Jerry Erb, treasurer
3. Mark Tharnish, Registrar
4. Chuck Dewitt, club coach
5. Gary Witmer, past president
6. Steve Kucera, referee coordinator

The following members were absent:

1. Rona Kucera, secretary
2. Lowell Tuma, vice president

Chuck Dewitt made a motion for approval of the September monthly minutes; the motion was seconded by Gary Witmer. After roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

The following officer reports were made:

1. President report indicated that efforts should be made to finalize and approve the fund raising letter before the start of the spring 2010 season. The president also provided an overview of the 2010 field request which was covered under old business.
2. No Vice President report was given.
3. No secretary report was given.
4. Treasure report reflected that the outstanding check that was discussed in the September meeting had been collected upon. The current balance of the club's checking account was \$3,161.75. This amount reflected club fees received of \$2,218.00, and returned check club fee of \$70.00. The treasurer reported that there was still an outstanding amount of \$397.00 in player fees still remaining. Discussion followed on what teams still had outstanding fees and the efforts being made to collect upon those fees.
5. Registrar report discussed the outstanding fees that were still owed to the club and the efforts that had been made to make the coach aware of the outstanding fees and the efforts that were being made to collect upon those fees.

Further discussion was had regarding (1) not registering a player until clubs fees were paid, (2) fee payment deadlines, (3) the disposition of a player's pass who had not yet paid fees, (4) return check fee of \$20.00 for any check that was returned to the club due to insufficient or no funds, (5) fees for secondary and transfer players, (6) cancellation and/or rescheduling fees, & (7) red card fee assessments. Members present indicated that these matters should be placed on the November meeting's agenda formal action and amendment to the by-laws to incorporate those changes. The club's coaches would be notified of these issues by the club president so that they could attend the November meeting and give input before final club action is undertaken.

6. Coach's report indicated that coaching clinics would be pursued in the spring of 2010 in the hopes of further development of skills of payers and/or coaches.
7. Referee coordinator report reflected that referee recertification sessions would be as follows:
 - a. November 1, 2009, Grand Island
 - b. November 8, 2009, Kearney
 - c. November 22, Columbus

Anyone interested in these sessions should contact Steve Kucera for further information. Further discussion followed on the need for additional referees for the upcoming year and how Steve Kucera was coordinating referee duties with NSL for games scheduled in the York area. Discussion was also conducted regarding the need for coordinating referees who could assist in the YMCA. The matter would be discussed further at the November meeting in the hopes of working with the YMCA. The YMCA liaison will be contacted in order to facilitate efforts at the November meeting.

Old Business: the president discussed the need to finalize the fund raising letter before the start of spring 2010 season. Members were requested to start thinking of potential individuals and /or businesses that would be receptive to the club's fund raising efforts. The president presented to the members a draft letter to Steve Paustian, GI Parks & Recreation Director, which would formally request field use at the Webb Road Sports Complex for the spring 2010 season. The letter was reviewed and changes were made to the draft. The letter would be sent out by the club's president by the end of the month.

New Business: discussion was had regarding the new team formation for 1 U11 Boys and 1 U11 Girls team for the fall 2010 season. Priority was given to identify coaches for the teams and then a tryout to be held sometime in the summer of 2010 that would be in compliance with the State Soccer Associations rules. Club registrar would find out the open period when the tryout could be conducted. Further discussion covered how the club could let potential players know of the tryout dates. The matter would be continued on this subject under old business for the upcoming meetings.

The next meeting will be on November 11, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at Grand Island Central Catholic High School. This would also serve as the club's annual meeting per the by-laws.

A motion was made to adjourn, was seconded and passed unanimously at approximately 8:17 p.m.

Minutes prepared by David A Stolz, club president.