

*Heartland FC
Monthly Meeting
January 13, 2010*

These are the monthly minutes of the Heartland FC January 13, 2010 meeting. There was no monthly meeting for December 2009, due to the inclement weather. The club president, David Stolz, called the meeting to order at 7:01 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

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

The following officer reports were made:

1. President report indicated that after speaking to Lowell Tuma, there might be a need to secure a new coach for the club's U-11 girls team; however, Mark Tharnish, indicated that a new coach had been located. With the issue resolved, no further report was provided by the president.
2. No Vice President report was given.
3. No secretary report was given.
4. Treasurer report reflected that the current balance of the club's checking account was \$1748.75. The treasurer reported that while there is an outstanding amount of #286.00 representing Fall 2009 fees from two teams, arrangements have been made for payment of those funds.
5. Registrar report raised the issue of reduced fees for club teams which participate as guest teams in state league play. Discussion followed. By unanimous vote, the Board agreed to a fee of \$50.00/player for guest team players provided that the team played no more than 5 games per season. The consensus of the board reflected that the reduction in fees for this team to play as a guest team was a unique situation and all future fund raising was also part of the registrar's report. The registrar also brought forward the concern of

who would take player fees for the spring season. The consensus of the Board reflected that the registrar would still receive fees from the respective teams and then turn it over to the club's treasurer. Outstanding fees that were still owed to the club would be pursued by the treasurer; discussion also followed on the current situation regarding outstanding fees 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.

6. The Club Coach had nothing to report at this meeting.
7. Referee coordinator report reflected that there would be a new referee coordinator for the Kearney Soccer Tournaments that are held in the summer. The referee coordinator also reported that he had contacted Nebraska State Soccer Association representative regarding the need for additional referee assignors/instructors for areas lying outside of the Omaha/Lincoln areas, and was told there really wasn't a need. The Board agreed to pursue the matter further at the upcoming State Association's meeting which will be held in January 2010.

Old Business: The president presented the draft of the fund raising letter that had been prepared by the secretary. Board members agree that the letter was appropriated and professional and complimented the secretary for her efforts. Two small grammatical changes were made and the Club Sponsor amount was changed to reflect that the club sponsor amount would indicate that the sponsor could provide \$250.00 or higher. With these changes, the letter met with Board approval. It was agreed that all Board member would identify 5 potential sponsors and submit names at the February meeting. Once identified, then further steps would be taken to mail out the letters. A potential coach for a new U-11 boy's team was identified for the Fall 2010 season. Further steps will be undertaken to solidify the formation of a new team in the months to come.

New Business:

1. The proposal to amend the Club's Bylaws (attachment 1) was reviewed. A motion to amend the bylaws to incorporate the proposed language amended section 450.0 was made by Jerry Erb and seconded by Gary Witmer. Discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.
2. The amount of secondary player fee was discussed. A motion was made by Gary Witmer to set the secondary player fee at \$10.00 per player per season for a total fee of \$20.00 (Fall and Spring). It was seconded by Steve Kucera. Discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.
3. The amount of transfer player fees was discussed. Chuck Dewitt made the motion to set the fee at \$3.00. It was seconded by Steve Kucera. Discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.
4. The registrar indicated that Lowell Tuma, current club Vice President, was having difficulty with multiple commitments conflicting with his duties as club Vice President and had indicated that he would need to step down as club vice

president. Club President will confirm this with Lowell Tuma. Members were asked to identify potential Vice President Nominees by the February meeting.

The next meeting will be on February 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at Grand Island Central Catholic High School.

A motion was made to adjourn, was seconded and passed unanimously at approximately 8:15 p.m.

Minutes were prepared by David A Stolz, Club President.