

Delavan Soccer Club, Inc.  
Board Meeting  
January 23, 2008

Present: Mike Marse, Barrett Britt, Francisco Huerta, Jake Dobratz, John Pickel, Kurt Zipp, Laura Welch, Carol Keizer, and Kelly Pickel.

Absent: Tim Bliss

Mike called the meeting to order at 6:23pm. He relayed information from the last Stateline meeting:

- Coach's clinic is scheduled for March 6<sup>th</sup> at Elkhorn Middle School from 6-9pm.
  - Mike will email all coaches to inform them of meeting date and time.
- Spring season games will begin April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.
- February 18<sup>th</sup> is when registrations are due to Alex Cowen for Stateline league.
- The State Annual General Meeting is scheduled for March 9<sup>th</sup> at Appleton at the Radisson. Mike will plan to attend.
- Stateline adopted an age exemption policy so kids can play down an age group as long as they are still with their classmates.
- October 4<sup>th</sup> is the Stateline Friendly Tournament. (Site to be determined).
- Stateline awards for our club: John Pickel-Volunteer of the Year; Kathy Belcher-coach of the year; and Ed Kaufenberg-Referee of the year.
  - They are invited to attend the Stateline Annual General Meeting and dinner in Whitewater on February 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. Mike will email them an invitation.
- Stateline is also looking for a new President, as Gretchen is ready to step down.

Kelly had emailed the minutes from the last meeting. A motion was made by Laura and seconded by Jake to accept the minutes as written.

There was no treasurer's report. Laura will work on getting the signature card signed. She has not received any financial statements yet, but expects them to come to her soon. She will prepare a financial report for our next meeting.

Registration: There was discussion to determine a registration date for returning players for next fall/spring season. The date is Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. Kurt will secure the building for that evening.

There was discussion about putting the registration forms online to make it more convenient for parents and coaches. The registration form and waiver of liability form will be added to the website so parents can download the form and get it turned in.

Registration packet information will include the new fees policy that was adopted at the meeting by a Barrett and Jake motion and second. There will be a discussion on the need to increase fees at the next board meeting when we have more information on finances.

Mike reported that the high school boy's team is playing in the Metro. League. As of the meeting there are 12 boys registered to play.

The spring coaches meeting date was tentatively set for March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the Community Center. Mike will arrange for the building usage. Mike will email coaches about the meeting and remind those that need coaching cards of the coach's clinic on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

Comet Classic: WYSA won't allow the Comet Classic to be held on Memorial Day weekend due to the WYSA State Cup. US Club Soccer will sanction us this year for the tournament. This may affect the team numbers somewhat, so advertising will need to be increased this year.

- Jake suggested a subcommittee to assist Kurt in organizing the Classic this year. He will look for volunteers to assist with that committee.
- John and Francisco are going to work on making new boards for the tournament.
- Francisco will check if the school will let us use the generators for electricity this year.
- There was discussion on possibly looking at Harvard for trophies this year. No decision was made.

Other items:

Barrett mentioned that there are 26 registered referees from our club.

There was discussion about having the referees paid on the field. It was decided:

- Laura will get a list from Barrett at the beginning of the season as to how many home games each coach has for that season. She'll write out a check to each coach.
- Coaches will need to pay each referee at each home game.
- Mike will explain this procedure to the coaches at the coach's meeting in March.
- Barrett will explain it to the referees at the next referee meeting.

Barrett is looking to recruit an assistant. He will discuss it at the referee meeting before the spring season.

Laura will be working with Dee Fisher on updating the club website. She will contact Dee about arranging this.

Barrett asked where we see the club in 5 years. After much discussion, goals included increasing the competitive nature of the upper level players and increasing commitment by all players and coaches. Mike will discuss this with the coaches at the coaches meeting and the board will bring it back for more discussion at the next meeting.

There was no date set for the next board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 on a motion and second by Carol and John.

Minutes submitted by Kelly Pickel