

**UPSC Board of Directors Meeting
October 10, 2011
Final Minutes**

Approval of the Minutes from September, 2011 meeting

There was a motion and a second to approve the minutes from the September 2011 meeting. The minutes were approved with no objections.

Attendance

UPSC Board Members Present

Joe McNallan, Scott Falk, Jade Coughran, Tom Webster

Teams Represented

Strikers, Mystics, Firecrackers, Comets, Fire, Thunder, Zephyrs (2 reps), Tornadoes (2 reps), Blue Lasers, Eagles White, Eagles Blue, Eagles Red, Velocity, Vikings, Rockets, Lightning, Mighty Eagles

Reports

Joe McNallan, President's Report

UPSC will start to have regular access to Curtis Stadium for practice beginning on November 7th. Until that time, there is limited availability on Tuesdays and Thursdays after 6pm. Coaches that are interested in scheduling practice time in the stadium should contact Joe McNallan.

- There are three available practice times: 5:00-6:30; 6:30-8:00 and 8:00-9:30 Monday through Thursday. Older teams will be assigned the later practice times.
- There can be three practices at a time. The cost is \$30 for the middle section and \$50 for the end sections, which are larger. If only two teams practice at a time, the cost is \$65 per team.
- UPSC does receive a preferred rental rate for use of the Stadium, but the cost has increased in recent years. There was discussion about approaching U.P. School District about reducing field costs for the stadium. Joe has made some effort on this in the past, without success.
- During practices, the track remains open to the public. Coaches are asked to enforce U.P. School District rules that no dogs or skateboards are allowed on the track. Joggers use the track at their own risk. Teams can use the track during non-practice times for fitness.

Dawn DeCius, Treasurer Report

The Treasurer was not present, so there was no Treasurer report. It was noted that if your team uses the Chambers Creek fields you should be receiving two bills for the June-August and September to November time periods. These will be your final invoices for the year.

Jade Coughran, Registrar Report

October 31st is last day for transferring or adding players. You can continue to register players after this date, but they cannot transfer.

The deadline for registering for Recreation Cup is past. The deadline for registering for the Founders Cup and the Challenge Cup is usually the end of October. However, no dates have yet been posted on the TPCJSA website.

Scott Falk, Fields Chair Report

The fields are quite wet and starting to deteriorate. Coaches are asked to keep moving the goals during practices to spread out the wear and tear on the fields. There are still lots of games remaining and with the amount of rain already received in September, managing the fields so that they are playable throughout the season will be a challenge.

The Chair has Chambers Creek and the U.P. School District to stop running sprinklers.

Teams and coaches are asked not to leave locks hanging open after they are unlocked. Please relock the locks immediately, to prevent theft and damage. Also, after games, if another UPSC team is not playing a game following your team, please relock the goals, even if there are non-UPSC teams or clubs wanting to play on the fields.

MOD Report – Justin Richards

Andrew Torres is keeping the MOD fields lined. Goals are working for the MOD fields.

For the MOD refs, there was one day without a U10 referee coverage, but otherwise there has been full coverage.

Dave Hunter, Equipment Report

There was a late flurry of equipment orders, but those have mostly been complete. Dave is cleaning up loose ends and collecting payments.

Scott Falk, TPCJSA Report

TPCJSA reported that their numbers are up from previous years, with about 50 more teams in the Home League than last year.

There was acknowledgement of scheduling challenges.

Each club is expected to provide volunteers to work at the Leanne Ehnat tournament. It was recommended that those volunteers come from the U11 and U12 teams that are eligible to play in that tournament. This primarily involves serving as field marshals.

The next TPCJSA meeting is October 27th. One of the coaches volunteered to attend for UPSC.

Richard Wunderle, Referee Report and Games Report

There has been full referee coverage at 95% of the games through early October and there should be 100% full coverage for the remainder of the season.

The biggest concern is how the grass fields will hold up. The Curtis Stadium is available on Saturday and Sunday for games. This can be a good alternative and will help reduce wear and tear on the grass fields. To rent the stadium during the day is \$60/hour. Depending on the age groups playing, typically 3.5 hours is needed for two games, to allow for warm up before a game and between games. For U14 and younger, 1.5 hours per game is a feasible time block.

Scott Falk, 1st VP/Judiciary Chair Report

Three UPSC players have received red cards and all have served their suspensions. No coaches have received red cards.

Teams should note that reporting a red card to the league is at the discretion of the referee. If a team does not receive paperwork from the league regarding the red card suspension, it is likely that the red card was not reported.

Old Business

There was discussion about the Tacoma Soccer Center. It was noted that the Tacoma Soccer Center is trying to attract more youth teams and it may be a good option for afternoon practices. For more information, go to www.tacomasoccercenter.org

New Business

None

Good of the Game

Teams that have registered for the Recreation Cup need to reschedule any league games that will conflict with Recreation Cup games.

Adjourn:

8:00 pm