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MINUTES

07/30/2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Ransom District Library
180 S Sherwood Ave, Plainwell, MI 49080

- **Call to Order**
 - **Board members:** *Mandi Quigley, Tony McNeel, Travis (via phone, 7:24 PM), Kate Amaezechi,, Amber Green, Kristin Anderson, Andrew Kuipers, Joe Clemons*
 - **Absent:** *Joe Gibson, Rebecca Bilodeau*
- **Action item:** *Approval of Minutes/Summary from 06/25/2025 Meeting,*
 - **Motion:** **Mandi**
 - **Second:** **Tony**
 - **In favor:** **6**
 - **Against:** **0**
- **Agenda Amendments/Additions**
- **Action item:** *Motion to approve the agenda additions.*
 - **Motion:** **Andrew**
 - **Second:** **Kate**
 - **In favor:** **6**
 - **Against:** **0**
 - **Assessing late fees for coaches/managers - Kate**
 - Discussion re: passing on late fees to coaches/players. Due date for coaches to register/complete training by 7/1, as of today there are still outstanding registrations and training to be completed. Kate reviewed several of the financial penalties for late registration.
 - Kate will draft a policy regarding fines, Mandi/Joe will help review and format.
 - **Treasurer position - Tony/Samantha**
 - Samantha needs to step away from her position at this time. Will ask during the 8/15/25 meeting if there are any volunteers, Amber will also send out communication to the club beforehand.
 - **Game scheduling policy/procedure - Kristin/Andrew**
 - Current issue with discrepancy between the scheduling spreadsheet and what is entered into Gotsport, this is causing overlaps of game scheduling.
 - Andrew/Tony will look at functionality options in Gotsport for calendar/scheduling.
- **New Business**
 - **All club meeting (reschedule) - Everyone (10-15 mins)**
 - Combined coach/manager and general club meeting
 - Location: Commons in Plainwell
 - 8/15/25 at 6:30 PM

- **Action item:** Approval for general club and coaches meeting to be held on 8/15/25 at 6:30 pm at the Commons in Plainwell (pending confirmation of availability, Amber will reach out tomorrow to the Commons):
 - **Motion:** Mandi
 - **Second:** Andrew
 - **In favor:** 6
 - **Against:** 0
- **Remote weather station - Tony (5 mins)**
 - Proposing the placement of a remote weather station at the competition fields. This will allow for decisions to be made remotely for play based on the weather at the fields. The station could also be used to schedule the sprinkler system to run.
 - Andrew/Tony will do more research and bring back to a future meeting.
- **Old Business**
 - **Presidents Cup Fine (continued from June 2025 meeting)**
 - *7/30/25 Update: Awaiting information from the team coach.*
- **Board Member Reports**
 - **Academy Coordinator, Kristin Anderson**
 - Need to ensure that fields 2 and 3 are blocked for Monday/Wednesday for Academy.
 - More coaches are needed for the U6 age group.
 - Academy opening night 8/25/25.
 - **Coaching Coordinator, Travis Timmons**
 - Will present on coach IDP's at the large meeting
 - **Uniform Coordinator, Rebecca Bilodeau (update sent via email prior to meeting)**
 - Checking in with Gazelle weekly regarding the green jerseys. They say everything is on track and we should receive the jerseys in early August.
 - Meeting with a uniform rep on Friday (Capelli Sports) and am starting to research other options for uniform providers. If you have suggestions, feel free to send them my way.
 - CTO is prepared for our academy jersey order once we are ready to place the order. I just need coach sizes (and the design for the back with sponsors).
 - When does the season officially start? I plan to open the spirit store in August - maybe for the 2 weeks leading up to the season starting? I'll have it set like we did in the Spring so that gear ships directly to recipients. I was thinking August 11th-25th?
 - I'm also starting to think about gear for coaches for this fall. I don't want to wait until the Spring like last year. My thoughts are that coaches should get an item in the fall, and the board might get something in the Spring. I'll double check our balance with Gazelle, but I also want to use the funds while we can (if we decide to switch somewhere else next year).
 - **Marketing Director, Amber Green**
 - Working on Academy sponsors; currently have 8 (waiting on two more potential sponsors).
 - We would like to have a banner with the sponsor names, will ask Rebecca to reach out to Complete Outfitters for the potential of making a banner in exchange for a sponsorship spot.
 - **Kate Amaezechi, Registrar**
 - How to handle international players and translation difficulties, can consider utilizing google, etc.
 - **Secretary, Mandi Quigley**
 - No updates.
 - **Field and Maintenance Coordinator, Joe Gibson and Andrew Kuipers**
 - Sod looks good, will starting painting lines in the next few weeks.

- We have two new goals at the practice fields, just need a trailer to take them to the game fields.
 - Two new 7 v 7 practice fields are lined. Practice field spreadsheet has been sent out, slow responses at this point, however, there is availability.
- **Treasurer, Samantha Gauthier**
 - See above.
- **Vice-President, Joe Clemens**
 - No updates (due to time).
- **President, Anthony McNeel**
 - Still working on township approval for new terms on practice fields.
- **Committee Reports**
 - None
- **Adjournment: 9:00 PM**
 - Motion: Mandi
 - 2nd: Amber
 - In favor: 6
 - Against: 0