



Board Meeting Minutes – August 3, 2009

1. Present were: President – Tod Nicosia; Vice President – Gary Parks; Secretary – Karen Hawkins, Treasurer – John Hurlimann; Teams Director – Ed Fenton; Uniforms Director – Robert Reed; 10U Coach - Glen Drouin; 10U Coach – Tammy Cardona; 10U Coach – Dan Adams; 10U Coach – Sham Sidhu; 12U Coach – John Stassi; and representing the Monarch’s Sports Academy – Robert Ramirez.
2. Absent was: Equipment Director – Tony Machado
3. With a quorum present (6 of 7 board members present), the FSC board meeting was called to order by Tod Nicosia at 7:05pm.
4. Introductions were made. The board welcomed to the organization the three new coaches of the 10U Freedom (Scott) team: Glen Drouin, Dan Adams and Tammy Cardona.
5. Treasurer’s Report was presented by John Hurlimann.
6. The Code of Conduct was distributed for the FSC leaders and coaches present at the meeting to sign. Signed forms will be kept on file by the FSC Secretary.
7. 10U Freedom (Scott) Coach – Tammy Cardona reported on the team’s equipment and uniform purchases to date. The team hopes to begin practicing on Thursday, August 6th at Vista.
8. Field usage at Vista was detailed as follows:
 - a. 10U (Parks) – JV field on Mondays and Wednesdays
 - b. 12U (Nicosia) – JV field on Tuesdays and Varsity field on Fridays and Sundays
 - c. 14U (Reed) – Varsity field on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays
 - d. Monarchs – JV field on Thursdays
 - e. It was determined that the 10U (Scott) team can begin practicing on the Varsity field on Mondays and/or the JV field on Fridays and Saturdays.
9. Robert Ramirez of the Monarch’s Sports Academy presented a fundraising opportunity to the board. The Monarch’s will be hosting the Jennie Finch Camp at Vista on September 26-27th. The Monarch’s requested the parents from the Freedom teams support this community event with manpower at both the Friday night “Champions Dinner” on September 25th at the Marriott on Sunrise and at the camp on September 26-27th.
 - a. A motion was made by John Hurlimann to appoint John Stassi to organize FSC’s involvement in this community event.
 - b. The motion was 2nd by Gary Parks.
 - c. Motion passed – John Stassi will head up FSC’s involvement with the Jennie Finch Camp.
 - d. It was determined that “Terms of Agreement” needed to be drafted detailing our involvement and compensation for manpower.
 - e. John Stassi will work with Robert Ramirez on drafting the terms of agreement and will present the terms to the FSC board for Email vote no later than September 17th.

10. Discussion was raised regarding the distribution of fundraising monies among the Freedom teams.
 - a. Several people gave input on how fundraising monies should be distributed.
 - b. It was determined that John Hurlimann will provide a suggested model for board review at the next board meeting.

11. The mission statement for the FSC was discussed in detail.
 - a. The following mission statement was proposed: “We are a competitive softball organization focused on developing girls fast pitch softball players, at multiple age levels, from the greater Folsom community. It is our hope that our players will continue in the sport of women’s fast pitch softball at the high school and college levels.”
 - b. A motion was made by John Hurlimann to adopt the proposed mission statement.
 - c. The motion was 2nd by Gary Parks.
 - d. Motion passed.

12. Discussion was raised regarding recruitment of players from outside the greater Folsom community.
 - a. It is the goal of FSC to give Folsom residents priority on the Freedom teams.
 - b. The following policy regarding player recruitment was proposed: “All Freedom teams will roster a minimum of 70% of their players from the greater Folsom community, unless specific circumstances are presented to the board and approval for a policy deviation is granted.”
 - c. A motion was made by John Hurlimann to adopt the proposed recruitment policy.
 - d. The motion was 2nd by Gary Parks.
 - e. Motion passed.

13. John Hurlimann disclosed that he is serving as the Treasurer on the Board of Directors for two softball organizations in Folsom –Folsom Softball Club (a competitive softball organization) and Folsom Girls Softball Association (a recreation softball organization).
 - a. FSC President – Tod Nicosia invited anyone who might have concerns about John’s dual service to contact him by Email at tod_nicosia@yahoo.com.

14. Discussion was raised about expediting the distribution of meeting minutes so they can be uploaded to the FSC website soon after each meeting.
 - a. A motion was made by Ed Fenton to approve the meeting minutes via Email vote of the board members within 7 days after each meeting.
 - b. The motion was 2nd by John Hurlimann.
 - c. Motion passed.

15. The next board meeting will be held on Monday, August 31st at 7:15pm at Round Table on Riley Street.
 - a. Tod Nicosia will bring the meeting agenda for distribution.
 - b. Karen Hawkins will reserve the back room for the meeting.

16. Meeting was adjourned at 9:50pm.