

CHICAGO FIELD HOCKEY CLUB

Board Meeting

Date: 22nd July 2006

Venue: Panera, Evanston

Attendance: Theresa Sukal (Captain)
Shayan Zaidi (Financial Chair)
Steve Moulton (Social Chair)
Margreet Coolen (Marketing Chair)
Alarico Fernandes (Communications Chair)
Kamal ElKhadiri (Indoor Chair)

Absent: Simon Allen (Captain)

AGENDA

- 1. Team Survey**
- 2. Chicago Cup Post-Mortem**
- 3. Uniforms Update**

Minutes:

1. Team Survey

- Steve has suggested formally surveying our club members to make sure we have a good idea of what everyone wants from their team
- Need to get as much input back as possible – we want to hear from everyone!
Three options for responding:
 - Email
 - Mailed letter to home
 - Surveys handed out at practice
- Topics to include:
 - Chicago Cup
 - Practice Times
 - Tournament Participation/Team Selection
 - Practice Format
 - Membership processes
 - Board Communication
 - Indoor League
 - Website
 - Social
- Rico suggested that we have board members rotate verbally giving members updates at practice, since it's clear not everyone reads their emails
- Possibility of 2 fixed dates throughout the season to have an open forum after practice

- Put in place a fixed process for team members offering suggestions and the board responding to them – suggestion box online with a Q&A page in the locker room: Theresa and Steve to work on this

2. Chicago Cup

- Looks like we made a profit! Almost \$2000 ☺
 - Possibly talk to Kelly about using the cages for another NUFH donation? Get our own goals and try to store at field?
 - Use it to pay tournament fees?
 - End of year social? (prob use \$ back from Nevins instead)
 - Indoor fees subsidy!
 - Look into ordering a nice cup/trophy to engrave with winners each year
- As other teams for links to their websites to include on Chicago Cup site team profiles
- Send a shortened version of the writeup to USFHA (so they can include it in the magazine and add to their calendar next year)
- Sponsorship for next year – we need to start early! Should be easier now that we have one tourney under our belts
- Suggestions for next year:
 - Add MVPs
 - Shirts for the refs
 - More shade
 - Get Daniela and Dana back as trainers
 - Better accommodations rate – negotiate earlier
 - Research dates to avoid other events
 - Water pitch more
 - # teams: 8 is probably better: can't go any shorter than 30 min games
 - Dance floor!!
- All board members will send Theresa contact information they used, documents created, anything that will make it easier for the board next year to host the tournament.

3. Uniforms:

- We only have 2 mens and 4 womens rental jerseys
 - Poll the members who have not yet purchased, and order ~5 more sets of each