



Highland Soccer Club
Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2004

1. Treasurer's report – No report tonight. Referee checks were available for any coach who had his fees paid for the spring 2004 season.
2. Secretary's report – No report tonight.
3. Web site update from John Scholz – The site works, it's there. John asked for any input. It was suggested we add a counter to see if we are getting much traffic. John mentioned about teams linking their team web site to our club site for anyone who has one.
4. Old Business
 - a. Reminder – we are reimbursing the older teams there full referee fees. Fees are paid out on the honor system. If all the fees aren't paid out due to less than 3 ref's showing for a game, the extra money should come back to the club. U16 may have 3 refs. It will be hit or miss. We will initially only pay U16 coaches as if only 1 ref will show. If more refs show, the club will reimburse those teams.
5. Practice areas – for U16 and up the nursing home is set up. Mike is looking into the Sussex County College field. He wants the AD from the college to put an agreement in writing. The college wants us to contribute towards the cost to maintain the field. Mike wants the college to quantify this and tell us how we can help to control the cost and not just receive an invoice. The field would only be available in the spring seasons.
6. Practice times – Mike asked each coach on the time and field of their choice.
7. League Contact Mtg highlights
 - a. SAGE – one parent at each game will be appointed as the SAGE parent. This parent will be wearing an identifying tag. Mike handed out SAGE video's for all parents to watch.



- b. Rules – Mike mentioned the league handbook is on both our club’s website, as well as the MCYSA web site. There are still a lot of questions being asked of the board that could be answered by reading the handbook.
 - c. Game cancellations – reminded people the rules say you don’t need to cancel a game until 2 hours before the game. HSC usually does not cancel a game due to weather.
8. Home fields – Evergreen, Goodale, Hillside Park and Memory Park. A coach in the HSC should be expected to have a home game at any of these fields.
9. Make up games would be best rescheduled for a Saturday after 2:30pm. This will help avoid other teams from getting bumped from their practice slot.
10. President’s report – Mike informed everyone that this will be his last season as League Contact. Mike mentioned the importance that the LC plays in a club. Mentioned ALL communication with the league, MUST go through the LC and not have each coach contacting the league on their own.
11. Patches – We need to redesign our patch to match the new club colors. John mentioned he would have his brother help design a new patch. Call Bill at least 2 weeks prior to your tournament to arrange to pick up your patches. They still cost \$1/patch.
12. Field Lining – volunteers needed. Eric and Mike will coordinate.
13. Therisa asked if the club would donate goals for a soccer/field hockey field at LPS. Mike said he would want to first put money into the fields we have.
14. Game Balls were handed out.
15. Submitting scores – both the winning and losing coaches need to submit the scores starting with the spring 2004 season. If not, you may be subjected to a forfeit.
16. Contacting the other teams – as soon as you get the game schedule, call the other coaches and make sure you can get directions to the game fields. Mike re-iterated the rule about the home team contacting the away team by the Wednesday the week of the game.



17. Running up the score – the league is looking into a max of a 6 goal differential.
18. Warm ups – Bill showed some maroon warm-ups to the group. Ask if anyone wanted to order.