



# Touchdown Club – Maverick Football

## Meeting Minutes – August 7, 2015

A meeting of the Touchdown Club was called to order by Board Secretary-Treasurer David Cowan on Friday, August 7, 2015, at 8:35 AM via conference telephone call. A quorum of the Board was available.

Board Member	Attendance	Status	3 Year Board Term Expires
1. Rod Mitchell, 2014-15 President	Excused Absence	At Large Board Member	Officer 4/15; Board 4/15
2. LaDon Henderson, 2014-15 Vice Pres.	Excused Absence	At-Large Board Member	Officer 4/15; Board 4/16
3. David Cowan, 2014-15 Sec.-Treasurer	Present	At-Large Board Member	Officer 4/15; Board 4/16
4. Steve Kallevig	Present	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/15
5. John Behrends	Present	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/15
6. Chuck Reed	Present	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/16
7. Scott Annexstad	Present	At Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/17
8. Dave Thomas	Present	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/17
9. Deb McQuiston-Meier	Excused Absence	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/17
Todd Hoffner, Head Football Coach	Present	Ex-officio, Nonvoting (Bylaws)	Not Applicable
Kevin Buisman, Athletics Director	Excused Absence	Ex-officio, Nonvoting (Bylaws)	Not Applicable

### **2015-16 Officer Elections**

Presiding officer David Cowan opened the floor for candidate nominations of the four Touchdown Club Officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. (Article V of the Touchdown Club Bylaws requires the filling of those four positions.) All terms would expired at the Club’s Annual Meeting held in the Spring, 2016. Without objection Rod Mitchell was nominated and elected President. LaDon Henderson was nominated and elected Vice President. John Behrends was nominated and elected Secretary. David Cowan was nominated and elected Treasurer.

Board members praised the leadership exhibited during Rod Mitchell’s past year as President. Though both Rod Mitchell (President Elect) and LaDon Henderson (Vice President Elect) were not available for this Board meeting, Head Football Coach Todd Hoffner was asked to convey the Board’s hope that both would agree to their re-election.

### **Election of Board Members Seats Falling Vacant – 3 Year Terms**

Regular Board seats falling vacant and open for filling include: Rod Mitchell, John Behrends, and Steve Kallevig. Without objection the incumbents were re-elected to full terms. It was recognized that not all Board members would be able to complete a three year term and that vacancies would have to be filled as they occur. Board members understood that Deb McQuiston-Meier’s seat was vacant and they supported efforts to seek a player parent to fill the vacancy. See new roster:

Board Member	Status	Three Year Board Term Expires
1. Rod Mitchell	At Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/18
2. Steve Kallevig	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/18

3. John Behrends	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/18
4. Scott Annexstad	At Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/17
5. Dave Thomas	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/17
6. Vacant (Formerly held by Deb McQuiston-Meier)	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/17
7. LaDon Henderson	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/16
8. David Cowan	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/16
9. Chuck Reed	At-Large Board Member	Board Term Expires 4/16
Todd Hoffner, Head Football Coach	Ex-officio, Nonvoting (Bylaws)	Not Applicable
Kevin Buisman, Athletics Director	Ex-officio, Nonvoting (Bylaws)	Not Applicable

### **Annual Touchdown Club Golf Outing – June 8, 2015 – Mankato Golf Club and Loose Moose Restaurant**

Coach Todd Hoffner reported on the success of the Club’s Annual Golf Outing held at the Mankato Golf Club. Kudos went out to Kevin Sanger (Offensive Line Special Teams Coordinator) for serving as the coordinator of the golf outing. More than \$23,000 in revenue was produced with expenses including \$8,200 in golf club fees, outlays to the Loose Moose Restaurant (dinner), among other costs. Some income was still coming in. A detailed report is forthcoming. Board members concurred that next year, if possible, the venue should be the Mankato Golf Club including having the Golf Club host both the lunch and dinner. John Behrends moved, and Chuck Reed seconded, that the June 2016 Golf Club Outing be held at the Mankato Golf Club. Motion Carried.

### **Financial Overview**

A summary of Club income and expenditures was presented by David Cowan. The table which follows shows just the highlights.

	<b>2012-13 6/30/13 Final</b>	<b>2013-14 6/30/14 Final</b>	<b>2014-15 6/30/15 Final</b>	<b>2015-16 Thru 8/7/15</b>
Carry Forward July 1	\$44,948.37	\$28,663.08	\$23,651.57	\$40,977.03
Current Year Income	37,345.65	33,124.62	80,169.47	4,920.62
Less Expenditures	(53,630.94)	(38,136.13)	(62,844.01)	(1,890.00)
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$28,663.08</b>	<b>\$23,651.57</b>	<b>\$40,977.03</b>	<b>\$44,007.65</b>

It was noted that the conference championship rings cost \$21,400 and were paid a couple of months ago. The Touchdown Club Raffle, the Pig Skin BBQ & Cook-Off, and the Annual Golf Outing, are key fundraisers.

### **Touchdown Club Raffle**

Chuck Reed moved, and John Behrends seconded, that the Board approved proceeding with the November Touchdown Club Raffle. \$25 raffle ticket revenue may top \$24,000 with \$2,000 Raffle Cruise prize and two \$500 prizes. Motion Carried.

### **Enrollment Driven University-wide Budget Cuts Affect Football**

Coach Todd Hoffner briefed the Board on the very real possibility of expenditure reductions triggered by University enrollment declines in the past year. Hoffner’s and the Board’s priority continues to be maintaining 28 scholarships. Upwards of \$23,000 in cuts to supply and travel expenses look likely. Reducing the Football

Program's Operating budget for the popular sports psychology project and protein supplement program were candidates for reduction. Board members indicated a willingness to help out the Football Program by absorbing costs that made sense. The Board knows that there is a goal out there to underwrite the costs associated with two scholarships (\$32,000). Spending \$23,000 for future championship rings may have to be deferred.

**Fall Kick-Off BBQ**

It was explained that last fall the Kick-Off BBQ was attended by 30-50 participants, mostly parents. Roughly \$700 was spent, according to Coach Hoffner. This may be one investment that will be eliminated.

**Friday Luncheons Continued – Loose Moose Restaurant**

Chuck Reed moved, and it was seconded, that the Touchdown Club continue hosting a Friday luncheon before every home football game. Players and coaches would be invited as in the past. The luncheon would be held at the Loose Moose. Motion Carried.

**Adjournment**

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

*David Cowan*

David Cowan, Acting Recording Secretary  
Maverick Football Touchdown Club