



## Vancouver Youth Soccer Association Board Meeting Minutes February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Regrets: Geoffrey Hansen, Susan Dhillon

Absent:

Present (VYSA): Peter MacDonald, Brienna Greenaway, Lizette Berdahl, David Joseph, Jackie Larson, Michelle Chui, Steven Minns, Pat Banks, Tom Madden, Marc Bowley, Floyd Salazar

Meeting was called to order by Jackie Larson at 7:05pm

**Minutes** - MOTION: to adopt the minutes from the board/club presidents meeting on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Steven/Michelle. Carried.

### Officer's Reports:

**Health & Welfare** – Jackie Larson. Nothing to report.

**Treasurer's Report** – Geoffrey Hansen.

A draft statement of cash deposits and expenditures was issued shortly before the meeting. There needs to be an amendment to the figures since some field rental payments are included in the registration fees. MOTION: To accept the statement subject to the aforementioned amendment. David/Floyd. Carried. Geoff will review the figures and correct accordingly for next month's statement.

A draft budget was issued with club fees reduced by \$25 per team (associated with the phasing out of the Vancouver FC subsidy). Michelle pointed out that there may be some increase their fees due to software costs for BCCGSL scheduling, however it was decided to proceed with the reduction to club fees. MOTION: To accept the draft budget. Tom/Lizette. Carried.

**Scheduler & Registration** – Pat Banks. Report issued.

MOTION: Regular season standings be used as a basis for seeding for B Cup and Div 2 and 3 for girls (if applicable). Michelle/Brienna. Carried.

**Referee-in-Chief** - Marc Bowley. Marc reported that there have been a number of instances of coaches questioning referees. These incidents usually don't result in evictions and they are often not reported in the referee's report. Pat said that she's working on a document that would be specific to the referees (for boys and girls games) that could be downloaded on any cell phone so they have the rules at hand right at the field.

**4District Boys Discipline** – Jackie Larson. Report issued. At case no. 116.

**4District Boys Rep** – Pat Banks. Report issued. Joe Scaglione was proposed for the 4District Pioneer Award recipient. Joe's commitment to coaching and the organization of past cup competitions in Vancouver was recognized. MOTION: To put forward Joe Scaglione as the recipient of the Pioneer Award . Tom/Floyd Carried.

**VC Girls & Girl Discipline** - David Joseph. Verbal report issued. At case no. 3. All three cases involve team officials. There was a discussion regarding the need for decentralized discipline boards when very few cases require a discipline board meeting. It was suggested that Michelle raise the option of a centralized discipline board at the next BCCGSL board meeting.

**BCC Girls** – Michelle Chui.

There was discussion regarding the proposal to have the Metro girls join BCCGL and although there would be benefits, a number of disadvantages were identified. MOTION: Vancouver does not enter its Metro teams to join the BCCGL. David/Lizette. Carried.

**VC Boys** – Peter MacDonald. Nothing to report.

**U11/U12 Scheduler** - Floyd Salazar - Nothing to report.

**Parks/Field liaison** –Floyd Salazar. Nothing to report. There was a brief discussion regarding Hillcrest, 8-aside sand-based fields being offered by Parks Board. Although we’re not assured of getting them, Floyd was concerned about a lack of transparency and the reaction of other user groups.

**Van FC Rep** - Lizette Berdahl. Nothing to report.

**MSL Report** – Tom Madden. Report issued.

In communication with the Coastal Cup Committee there has been no willingness by the committee to make changes that would avoid the scheduling of cup games over spring break. The issue will be raised at the next CCC meeting in an attempt to avoid similar problems in future.

There was discussion on proposals to have a separate U17 division for boys and girls in the MSL rather than the current combined U17/U18 division. With respect to allowing more than one club team to compete in the MSL, the following was agreed. MOTION: “VYSA supports the policy that all players of appropriate ability should be able to complete their youth soccer development at the Metro Select League by allowing districts and clubs to enter more than one, up to a maximum of two, teams if there is sufficient depth” Tom/Floyd. Carried.

**Risk Management**– Brienna Greenaway. - Nothing to report.

**U13-U18 Referee Scheduler** - Nothing to report.

**Mini/In house discipline** - Nothing to report.

**BC Summer Games**- Nothing to report.

**Webmaster** – Nothing to report

**Scholarships** – Invitation letters have gone out.

## **Old Business**

There was the following clarification to the wording on the Van FC subsidy: \$10,000 this year (2013/2014), \$5000 next year (2014/15), zero thereafter.

## **New Business**

MOTION: To accept the VYSA Policy Regarding Requesting Adult Discipline Information (as posted with minor amendments) - Floyd /Steven. Carried.

Applying for BCSA Associate Membership. Request by Vancouver Futsal denied – it was suggested since they’re based in Richmond to approach that district.

MOTION: To accept the VYSA Policy Regarding Applying for BCSA Associate Membership (as posted with 2<sup>nd</sup> bullet point removed and minor amendments): Peter/Floyd. Carried.

Peter will ask BCSA for guidelines in approving applications for BCSA Associate Membership and will bring it back to the April meeting.

VYSA AGM date: Jackie will liaise with Geoff regarding the date for the AGM.

MOTION: to accept all officers reports – Michelle/Floyd. Carried.

MOTION: to adjourn at 9.20 – Tom/Lizette. Carried.

There will be no board meeting in March due to Spring Break.

**NEXT VYSA BOARD MEETING – Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, Tai Kong Church**

VYSA AGM - TBA

Submitted by Steven Minns, Secretary VYSA