



Vancouver Youth Soccer Association

2014 Annual General Meeting

Monday, May 12, 2014

Regrets:

Absent: David Joseph, Ed Soltysik

Meeting called to order by Chair, Jackie Larson at 7.02pm.

Introduction of Guests: Don Dancey (VYSA Life Member, BC Soccer Competitions Committee)

Minutes: Review of the minutes from Annual General Meeting on the May 28th, 2013. Section 3(h) should read 8 not 9 districts. Motion to accept: Marc Bowley/Klaus Iden. Carried.

Business Arising: Nothing to report.

Chair's Report: Jackie Larsen

Report issued. Jackie reiterated thanks to the VYSA board members, appointees, referees, Club board members and other volunteers.

Officers' Reports:

1. Treasurer: Geoffrey Hansen (Financials and Financial Review)

Financials

Report issued as an addendum to the AGM booklet, comprising Statement of Cash Deposits and Expenditures for the year to April 30, 2014.

Registration fee income. Vancouver United FC has overpaid registration fees and an adjustment will be required for the next financial year.

Another reason for the rise in registration fee income is the increased number of players and teams.

There are a number of items where cost has been incurred but do not appear in the statement since the playing season extends right until the end of the financial year.

There is a circa \$75,000 cash balance. There remains term balance deposits of \$55,000 for contingencies.

There is a significant difference between the budgeted amounts and the values in the statement for field rental payments and BC Affiliation Fees. This is due to allocation errors and will be reconciled in the year-end report.

Motion to accept Treasurer report: Steven Chang/Marc Bowley. Carried.

Financial Review

A Financial Review has been undertaken and the report was included in the AGM booklet.

Motion to accept Financial Review: Susan Dhillon/Steven Minns. Carried.

2. Performance Bond: Klaus Iden

Report issued.

The number of issues is substantially lower than last year.

Reporting on performance bond issues is now done monthly rather than quarterly to enable clubs to respond quickly.

3. Scheduler/Registration: Pat Banks

Report issued.

The level of registration is very high. This year there were 175 more players than the previous highest number.

4. Referee-in-Chief: Marc Bowley

Report issued.

The retention level of referees has increased.

It was confirmed that pre-match handshakes should occur from year U11 and Marc will communicate this to the other referee-in-chiefs.

5. 4District Boys Discipline: Jackie Larson

Report issued.

6. VC Boys Report: Peter MacDonald

Report issued.

Peter is standing down from the board and he thanked everyone for their ongoing commitment to youth soccer, particularly Jackie and Pat who do an exceptional amount of work.

7. VC Girls & Girls Discipline Report: David Joseph

Report issued.

8. BCC Girls Rep Report: Michelle Chui

Report issued.

There have been a number of changes to league and cup formats which have all been very positive.

9. Parks/Field Liaison: Floyd Salazar

Report issued.

The new Empire/Hastings field will be part of Vancouver Parks. A new policy will be put in place regarding its usage and it should free up some space for youth soccer on other fields.

10. U11 Boys' & U11/12 In-House Girls' Scheduler: Floyd Salazar

Report issued.

It is North Shore's intent to interlock with Vancouver at the U11 Boys Silver level.

11. Van FC Rep: Lizette Berdahl

Nothing to report beyond that reported under the MSL report.

12. MSL Report: Tom Madden

Report issued.

The two main issues requiring resolution remain mid-season player movement to the BC Premier League and the scheduling of Coastal Cup games during spring break.

It was noted that due to the timing of Easter next year, cup scheduling will be particularly difficult. It was suggested that a possible solution was to extend the season until mid-May.

13. Risk Management: Brienna Greenaway

Report issued.

The new criminal record check system has been working well. However, it is not necessarily easier than myBackcheck as if the date of birth of the person matches a convicted criminal, fingerprinting is required.

14. U13-U18 Referee Scheduler: Ed Soltysik

Report issued.

15. BC Summer Games: Susan Dhillon/Thomas DeLuca
Report issued.

16. Webmaster: Klaus Iden
Report issued.

Motion to accept the AGM reports: Susan Dhillon/Marc Bowley. Carried.

Old Business – Nothing to report.

New Business – Nothing to report.

Don Dancey, on behalf of BC Soccer, stated that there were 130 BCSCA Scholarship applications and 15 awards, 2 of which were to players of Vancouver teams. The scholarships will be awarded in July at a Whitecaps game.

With respect to the 'Soccer for Life' coaching qualifications, Don said that there was an excellent effort by Vancouver in getting their coaches qualified for the Provincial Cup games.

The BCSCA AGM will be on June 14th. There are lots of amendments to rules and regulations, many of which are 'housekeeping'.

It was confirmed that players who play in the BCCGSL Cup A and Cup B are not cup tied for the BCSPC cup.

Elections: Michelle Chui, Jackie Larson and Tom Madden were re-elected as well as three new directors, Kieran Siddall, Susan Dhillon and Steven Chang for 2 year terms. There remains 3 one-year positions to be filled.

Presentations – Eric Diver was acknowledged for his years of referring and who is going to England for a year to look after his mom. Peter MacDonald was thanked for his 6 years with the board as Vice-Chair Boys'. Brienna Greenaway (2013) and Geoff Hansen (2012) were also thanked for their commitment. David Joseph was awarded a VYSA Life Membership for his 30+ year involvement with soccer; the last six years with VYSA when the girls' amalgamated with the VYSA boys. It should be noted that a Life Membership is presented for outstanding contribution to youth soccer. A plaque has been made and it will be presented to him at the next VYSA Board/Club Presidents' Meeting.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:10pm. Marc/Susan. Carried.

Steven Minns, VYSA Secretary

Next VYSA Board/Club Presidents' meeting will be on May 26th at 7pm at the Tai Kong Church.