



VANCOUVER YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

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VYSA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Nov 14th, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm (Virtual meeting via ZOOM)

Members in attendance:

David Valinho	Chair
Adam Sewell	VP Boys
Olecia Walker	VP Girls
Darren Sherbot	Field Coordinator
Rob Cadez	Discipline
Becki Wong	Director
John De Hart	Scholarships
Sev Araujo	AGM Coordinator
Ewen Cameron	Risk Manager

Regrets:

Mike Rudd	Treasurer
Steve Yueng	Scheduling and RIC Liaison

Admin in attendance:

Gordon Quan	VYSA Registrar, Field Scheduler
Bradley Smith	Referee-In-Chief

Admin regrets:

None

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm by David Valinho – Chair

Agenda:

- Motion to approve agenda:
- Motioned by Sev; seconded by Becki
- No discussion
- Motion carried unanimously. Chair did not vote.

Meeting Minutes:

- Oct 17th 2022 meeting minutes sent in advance for review.
- Motion to approve Oct 17th minutes – Sev; seconded by John
- Motion carried. 1 abstention. Chair did not vote.

Registrar's report - Gordon

- Submitted updated VYSA Registration spreadsheet
- Verbal report
- No questions or discussion



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Fields Report – Gordon + Darren

- Delivered verbal report
- Update on vandalism at Eric Hamber field no ETA on when they may be repaired
- Gordon updated the board on field scheduling issues. Increase in games scheduled for Friday nights. No issues with turf field allocations.
- Darren updated the board with respect to weather issues and a recent meeting with himself, David & Parks Board officials.

RIC Report – Bradley

- Provided verbal report.
- Successful in-person meeting at Hillcrest Community Centre on Nov 3rd.
- Discussed scheduling issues between district & clubs and working with clubs to coordinate referee crews – CR's & AR's for games.
- Discussed discipline issues across the district

Chair report – David

- David submitted written report in advance
- Discussed the BC Soccer AGM held on Nov 5th.
- Updated board on BCCSL issues
 - Discussion about changes to BCCSL Terms of Reference
 - Scott Fletcher appointed as new BCCSL rep for NFYSA
 - Discussion about re-tiering within the league - some feel it is too simplistic
 - Discussion about changes at U13 cohort; no more BCSPL; changing to 9-aside on ¾ field
 - BCCSL will take over U13, 9-aside soccer
 - Discussion about Fluid Roster Process
 - IN-CAMERA DISCUSSION

MOTION put forward that the VYSA board opposes paid individuals at any soccer-related club or academy and anyone with a financial interest in a soccer-related enterprise in the lower mainland to serve as Chair of the BCCSL. Motion was seconded. Discussion followed.

Motion carried. None opposed, no abstentions, Chair did not vote.

- Positive feedback from clubs & adult leagues on VYSA initiative to permanently secure nets on large goals at VYSA permitted turf fields. A few of the small-sided nets have been vandalized/stolen and one of the large nets at Andy Livingstone vandalized; but otherwise, no problems. Sev indicated Parks Board very supportive of the initiative. Board to approach adult leagues to coordinate financial support for this initiative.



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Treasurer report

- Mike not in attendance but submitted Treasurer report in advance.
- David presented the report and reviewed October financial statements.
- No further discussion

Committee #1 - Fusion Communication (*Ewen (Chair), Becki (Vice Chair), David*)

- Informal meeting took place with 3 VYSA reps & 3 Fusion FC reps.
- Friendly discussion. VYSA agreed to coordinate with Fusion on any new application for membership. Fusion reps agreed to follow up & coordinate with VYSA on any new application.
- Fusion president resigned abruptly from Fusion board. No further follow up from Fusion regarding any new membership application.

Committee #2 – New Membership Policy (*Ewen (Chair), Becki (Vice Chair), David, Mike*) - **No report**

Committee #3 – Scholarship (*John D, vacancy*)

- 2021/22 scholarships remain outstanding. David will coordinate with John to review outstanding applications.
- John will prepare an email to clubs to solicit scholarship applications for the 2022/23 season.
- Sev recused himself from 2021/22 applications but agreed to help with 2022/23 applications.

Committee #4 – Discipline (*Rob (Chair), Ewen, Adam, David, John D.*)

- The discipline chair will convene a committee meeting to review Marpole's conduct during the summer of 2022. Further discussion tabled for the December meeting.

Committee #5 – Non-Affiliated Club and Academy Policy (*Rob, Ewen, David, Mike, Darren*) - **No report**

Committee #6 – Game Day Fields (*Darren, John D., Olecia, Sev, Rob, Gordon, David*) – **No report**

Committee #7 – New Membership Applications (*Sev, Ewen, Mike, John R., Becki, David*). – **No report**

- No new club applications received by the Oct 31/22 deadline and no requests for extensions.

Committee #8 – Hiring Committee (*John D., Ewen, David*) – **No report**

Committee #9 - Non-affiliated club - partnering with a grassroots member club (*Ewen, Mike, David*)

- Committee agreed to prepare a communication for the VYSA District teams regarding their options for the 2023/24 season & beyond.



Committee #10 (Adam (chair), Mike, Steve, Rob, Darren, David) – 2022 District Tournament - No report. Goal is to target 2023 Easter weekend for the tournament. Adam will circulate a preliminary proposal when ready.

New Business

- No new business

- Next meeting scheduled for December 12th.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:23 pm